

**absolve**

[əb'zɒlv] *v*

1. освобождать, избавлять (*от ответственности, долгов, наказания*)  
to absolve from a promise - освободить от обещания  
he was absolved from all blame - с него были сняты все обвинения
2. оправдывать; выносить оправдательный приговор (*кому-л.*)
3. (from) прощать  
to absolve from blame - прощать вину
4. (of) *церк.* отпускать (*грехи*)

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**ab-solve** [absolve absolves absolved absolving] *BrE* [əb'zɒlv] <sup>Ⓜ</sup> *NAmE*

[əb'zɑːɒl] <sup>Ⓜ</sup> *verb* (formal)

1. ~ **sb (of/from sth)** to state formally that sb is not guilty or responsible for sth
  - The court absolved him of all responsibility for the accident.
2. ~ **sb (from/of sth)** to give ↑*absolution* to sb
  - I absolve you from all your sins.

Verb forms: *verb forms*

present simple	
I / you / we /they	absolve
	<i>BrE</i> /əb'zɒlv/
	<i>NAmE</i> /əb'zɑːlv/
he / she /it	absolves
	<i>BrE</i> /əb'zɒlvz/
	<i>NAmE</i> /əb'zɑːlvz/
past simple, past participle	absolved
	<i>BrE</i> /əb'zɒlvd/
	<i>NAmE</i> /əb'zɑːlvd/
-ing form	absolving
	<i>BrE</i> /əb'zɒlvɪŋ/
	<i>NAmE</i> /əb'zɑːlvɪŋ/

Word Origin:

late Middle English: from Latin *absolvere* 'set free, acquit', from *ab-* 'from' + *solvere* 'loosen'.

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[Date: 1400-1500; Language: Latin; Origin: *absolvere*, from *ab-* 'away' + *solvere* 'to loosen']

1. to say publicly that someone is not guilty or responsible for something  
**absolve somebody from/of something**  
He cannot be absolved of all responsibility for the accident.
2. [often passive] if someone is absolved by the Christian Church or a priest for something they have done wrong, they are formally forgiven ⇒ **absolution**

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