

# ba·sic·ally S1

/ˈbeɪsɪkli/

adverb

- 1 [sentence adverb] (spoken) SIMPLE/NOT COMPLICATED BASIC used to emphasize the most important reason or fact about something, or a simple explanation of something:

*Basically, I'm just lazy.*

*Well, basically, it's a matter of filling in a few forms.*

*I used to see him every night, basically.*

- 2 BASIC in the main or most important ways, without considering additional details or differences

**SYN** fundamentally

*All cheeses are made in basically the same way.*

*I believe that human beings are basically good.*

*Basically, he hadn't changed at all.*

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*Longman Dictionary of Contemporary English*

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