

as·so·ci·a·tion S3 W1

/əˌsəʊsi'eɪʃn, əˌsəʊʃi- \$ əˌsoʊ-/
noun

1 ORGANIZATION[countable] an organization that consists of a group of people who have the same aims, do the same kind of work etc:
the Association of Master Builders

→ HOUSING ASSOCIATION

2 CONNECTED WITH[uncountable and countable] a relationship with a particular person, organization, group etc:

association with

*his **close association** with the Green Party*

3 in association with somebody/something TOGETHER

made or done with another person, organization etc:

concerts sponsored by the Arts Council in association with local businesses

4 [countable] a connection or relationship between two events, ideas, situations etc:

association between

*the **strong association** between the disease and middle-aged women*

5 REMEMBER[countable] a feeling or memory that is related to a particular place, event, word etc:

Scotland has all kinds of happy associations for me.

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