

# ap·point

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verb [transitive]

**1** CHOOSEJOB/WORK to choose someone for a position or a job:

*officials appointed by the government*

**appoint somebody to something**

*He's been appointed to the State Supreme Court.*

**appoint somebody to do something**

*A committee was appointed to consider the plans.*

**appoint (somebody) as something**

*O'Connell was appointed as chairman.*

**2** (formal) ARRANGE A MEETING, EVENT ETC to arrange or decide a time or place for something to happen:

*The committee appointed a day in June for celebrations.*

*Everyone assembled in the hall **at the appointed time** (= at the time that had been arranged) .*

— **appointee** /ə'pɔɪn'tiː, ,æpɔɪn-/ noun [countable] :

*a presidential appointee*

→ SELF-APPOINTED,

WELL-APPOINTED

## Word origin

**Date:** 1300–1400

**Language:** Old French

**Origin:** *apointier* 'to arrange', from *point*