

ar·range

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verb

- 1 [intransitive and transitive] ARRANGE A MEETING, EVENT ETC to organize or make plans for something such as a meeting, party, or trip:

Contact your local branch to arrange an appointment.

I'd like to arrange a business loan.

arrange to do something

Have you arranged to meet Mark this weekend?

arrange something with somebody

Beth arranged a meeting with the marketing director.

arrange when/where/how etc

We still have to arrange how to get home.

arrange that

We had arranged that I would go for the weekend.

*Matthew arrived at 2 o'clock **as arranged**.*

- 2 [intransitive and transitive] to make it possible for someone to have or do something:

arrange for something

The company will arrange for a taxi to meet you at the airport.

arrange for somebody to do something

Dave arranged for someone to drive him home.

- 3 [transitive] ARRANGE A GROUP OF THINGS OR PEOPLE to put a group of things or people in a particular order or position:

Ben arranged the flowers in a vase.

The list is arranged alphabetically.

arrange something in pairs/groups etc

The children were arranged in lines according to height.

4 [transitive] to write or change a piece of music so that it is suitable for a particular instrument:

arrange something for something

a symphony arranged for the piano

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to put in order

arrange to put things in a particular order or position: *I like the way you've arranged the room. | a group of numbers arranged in any order*

organize to arrange things in order according to a system, so that they are more effective or easier to use: *The book is organized into three sections. | How is the equipment organized?*

order to arrange a group of things so that one comes after the other in a particular order: *The books are ordered according to title.*

classify to arrange things in groups, and give each group a title: *The towns were classified according to population size.*

set out to arrange a group of things on the floor, on a table, on a shelf etc, ready to be used: *If we set out the chairs now, they'll be ready for tonight's meeting.*

be laid out to be arranged according to a particular plan – used especially about cities, buildings, and pages: *Kyoto is laid out according to a grid system.*

to arrange to do something

arrange to organize or make plans for something such as a meeting, party, or trip: *He had arranged to meet Marcia outside the restaurant. | The company arranges skiing trips.*

fix/ fix up (*especially BrE*) (spoken) to arrange something,

especially for someone else: *John had fixed up for me to give a talk.* | *I've fixed an appointment for you at the doctor's.*

organize (also / **-ise** BrE) to make the arrangements for an event, especially a big public event: *They had organized a protest against the war.*

set a time/ date (also **fix a time/date** BrE) to arrange for something to happen at a particular time or on a particular day: *Have you set a date for the wedding yet?* | *We fixed a time for me to visit.*

reserve/ book to arrange to stay in a place, go to a theatre, travel on a plane etc: *I've booked the flight to Zurich.* | *He had reserved a table at the restaurant.*

take care of/ make the arrangements to arrange all the details of an event: *Uncle James is making all the funeral arrangements.*

Word origin

Date: 1300–1400

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Origin: *arangier*, from *rengier* 'to put in a row', from *reng* 'row'