

a·chieve

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verb

- 1 [transitive] DO to successfully complete something or get a good result, especially by working hard:

Frances achieved very good exam results.

Wilson has achieved considerable success as an artist.

She eventually achieved her goal of becoming a professor.

In everyday English, people usually say someone **gets** a result rather than **achieves** it:

*He **got** good grades in his final exams.*

- 2 [intransitive] SUCCESSFUL to be successful in a particular kind of job or activity:

We want all our students to achieve within their chosen profession.

— **achievable** adjective

Word origin

Date: 1300–1400

Language: Old French

Origin: *achever*, from *chief* 'end, head'

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