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/ə¹raız/

verb [intransitive]

(past tense arose / əˈrəʊz \$ əˈroʊz/, past participle arisen / əˈrɪz n/)

1 START TO HAPPEN, EXIST ETC if a problem or difficult situation arises, it begins to happen:

A crisis has arisen in the Foreign Office.

More problems like those at the nuclear power plant are certain to arise.

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In everyday English, people usually say that a problem or difficult situation **comes up** rather than **arises**:

The same problems come up every time.

2 RESULT if something arises from or out of a situation, event etc, it is caused or started by that situation etc:

Several important legal questions arose in the contract negotiations.

arise from/out of

Can we begin by discussing matters arising from the last meeting?

3 when/if the need arises *also* **should the need arise** (formal) HAPPEN when or if it is necessary:

Should the need arise for extra staff, we will contact you.

- 4 WAKE UP/GET UP (literary) to get out of bed, or stand up
- **5** (literary) FIGHT FOR OR AGAINST SOMETHING if a group of people arise, they fight for or demand something they want

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6 START TO HAPPEN, EXIST ETC (literary) if something arises when you are moving towards it, you are gradually able to see it as you move closer

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