

ap·point·ment

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noun

- 1** [countable] ARRANGE A MEETING, EVENT ETC an arrangement for a meeting at an agreed time and place, for a particular purpose:

an appointment to do something

I'd like to make an appointment to see the doctor.

appointment with

He has an appointment with a client at 10.30.

*All consultations are **by appointment only**.*

- 2** [uncountable and countable] CHOOSE when someone is chosen for a position or job:

appointment of

Other changes included the appointment of a new Foreign Minister.

appointment as

They congratulated him on his appointment as chairman.

- 3** [countable] JOB/WORK a job or position, usually involving some responsibility:

appointment as

He has taken up an appointment as Professor of Chemistry.

- 4 by appointment to the Queen (BrE)**

a phrase that can be used by a business that sells goods or services to the Queen

COLLOCATIONSense 1

verbs

have an appointment *She has an appointment with the dentist at 5 o'clock.*

make/ arrange an appointment *Can you phone the hairdresser and make an appointment?*

book an appointment (**BrE**), schedule an appointment (**AmE**) (= make an appointment) *Have you booked another appointment at the clinic? |*

I've scheduled your appointment for 9.30.

cancel an appointment *He had to cancel all his afternoon appointments.*

get an appointment (= succeed in arranging one) *It's difficult to get an appointment on Monday morning.*

miss an appointment (= not go to an appointment you have arranged) *The train was late so I missed my appointment.*

keep an appointment (= go to an appointment that you have arranged) *Please let us know if you cannot keep your appointment.*

ADJECTIVES/NOUN + appointment

a hospital appointment (**BrE**) *My hospital appointment lasted half an hour.*

a doctor's appointment (also an appointment at the doctor's) *What time is your doctor's appointment? | I have an appointment at the doctor's this morning.*

an urgent appointment *I can't talk now – I have an urgent appointment to get to.*

a dentist's/ dental appointment *She has a dental appointment, so she won't be in until later.*

a medical appointment *Children sometimes miss school because of medical appointments.*

a business appointment *Dennis had an early-morning business appointment with a client.*

a hair appointment (= to have your hair cut) *I'd like to make a hair appointment for next week.*

a morning/ afternoon appointment *I asked for a morning*

