

bo·nus ^{S2}

/ˈbəʊnəs \$ ˈboʊ-/

noun [countable]

1 money added to someone's wages, especially as a reward for good work:

Long-term savers qualify for a cash bonus.

Further additions to your pay may take the form of bonus payments.

a Christmas bonus

Each worker receives an annual bonus.

a £20,000 bonus

2 **GOOD/EXCELLENT** something good that you did not expect in a situation:

bonus for

Britain's possession of North Sea oil has proved a bonus for British technology.

*He promised to take me to the match, with the **added bonus** of an afternoon off school.*

3 **no-claims bonus (BrE)**

a reduction in the cost of your car insurance when you do not make a CLAIM in a particular year

Word origin

Date: 1700–1800

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Origin: 'good'

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