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de-tect (dĭ-tĕkt')

tr.v. de-tect-ed, de-tect-ing, de-tects

- 1. To discover or ascertain the existence, presence, or fact of.
- 2. To discern (something hidden or subtle): detected a note of sarcasm in the remark.
- 3. To learn something hidden and often improper about: detected the manager in a lie.
- 4. Electronics To demodulate.

[Middle English detecten, from Latin detegere, detect-, to uncover: de-, de-+ tegere, to cover; see (s)teg- in Indo-European roots.]

de·tect'a·ble, de·tect'i·ble adj. de·tect'er n.

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detect (dī'tēkt)

vb (tr)

- 1. to perceive or notice: to detect a note of sarcasm.
- 2. to discover the existence or presence of (esp something likely to elude observation): to detect alcohol in the blood.
- 3. (Electronics) to extract information from (an electromagnetic wave)
- 4. obsolete to reveal or expose (a crime, criminal, etc)

[C15: from Latin detectus uncovered, from detegere to uncover, from de- + tegere to cover]

de tectable, de tectible adj

de tecter n

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de•tect (dɪˈtɛkt)

v.t.

- 1. to discover or notice the existence or presence of: to detect the odor of gas.
- 2. to discover (a person) in some act: to detect someone cheating.
- 3. to discover the true, usu. concealed or underlying nature of.
- 4. to demodulate.

[1400–50; late Middle English < Latin detectus, past participle of detegere to uncover]



de•tect`a•bil'i•ty, de•tect`i•bil'i•ty, n.

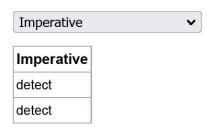
syn: See learn.

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Past participle: detected

Gerund: detecting



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- **Verb 1. detect** discover or determine the existence, presence, or fact of; "She detected high levels of lead in her drinking water"; "We found traces of lead in the paint"
 - discover, notice, observe, find
 - ← catch out, find out trap; especially in an error or in a reprehensible act; "He was caught out"; "She was found out when she tried to cash the stolen checks"

 - ← sense detect some circumstance or entity automatically; "This robot can sense the presence of people in the room"; "particle detectors sense ionization"
 - ←→ instantiate find an instance of (a word or particular usage of a word); "The linguists could not instantiate this sense of the noun that he claimed existed in a certain dialect"
 - ← trace discover traces of; "She traced the circumstances of her birth"
 - ← see observe as if with an eye; "The camera saw the burglary and recorded it"
 - ⇔ sight, spy catch sight of; to perceive with the eyes; "he caught sight of the king's men coming over the ridge"

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- 1. ≡ discover, find, reveal, catch, expose, disclose, uncover, track down, hunt down, unmask, ferret out, smoke out *equipment used to detect radiation*
- 2. = notice, see, spot, catch, note, identify, observe, remark, recognize, distinguish, perceive, scent, discern, ascertain, descry *He could detect a certain sadness in her face*.

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detect verb

- 1. To perceive, especially barely or fleetingly:
 - = catch, descry, discern, espy, glimpse, spot, spy.
- 2. To perceive with a special effort of the senses or the mind:
 - descry, discern, distinguish, mark, mind, note, notice, observe, remark, see.

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detect [dɪ'tekt] VT (= discover) \rightarrow descubrir; (= notice) \rightarrow percibir, detectar; [+ crime] \rightarrow descubrir; [+ criminal] \rightarrow identificar (Tech) (by radar etc) \rightarrow detectar

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detect (di'tekt) verb

to notice or discover. She thought she could detect a smell of gas.detectar, sentir de tective (-tiv) noun

a person who tries to find criminals or watches suspected persons. She was questioned by detectives detective detentiondetain

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v. detectar, descubrir.

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