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Meaning of *duration* in English

duration
noun [U]
 US /duː'reɪ.jən/ UK /dʒuə'reɪ.jən/

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the length of time that something lasts:
 • *He planned a stay of two years' duration.*

Synonym
 length (TIME)

for the duration
for as long as something lasts:
 • *I guess we're stuck with each other for the duration (of the trip).*

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duration

noun [U]

US 🇺🇸 /duˈreɪ.jən/



the length of time that something lasts:

- *He planned a stay of two years' duration.*

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duration | BUSINESS ENGLISH

duration

noun [C or U]

UK 🇬🇧 /dʒuəˈreɪ.jən/ US 🇺🇸



the length of time that something lasts:

- **a two-year/ten-month/six-week, etc. duration** *Most placements of agency IT staff are of a three-month or six-month duration.*
- *Does the rate only apply for a limited period or **for the duration** of the loan?*

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EXAMPLES of duration

duration

belonging or relating to genes (= parts of the DNA in cells) received by each animal or plant from its parents

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The *duration* of the match is also predetermined, and the time is kept by the referee.

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To qualify as exercise, a pursuit demands three main principles: intensity, frequency and *duration*.

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The results of some studies showed that colds are shortened in *duration* with the addition of zinc in the diet.

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Both include express detention authority for the *duration* of the hostilities.

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Also, remember to hold onto your ticket for the *duration* of your trip.

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Where there are game makers with a style, it has often evolved over long durations.

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Other terms of the agreements, including their *duration*, have not been released.

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There is growing evidence for a link between sleep *duration* and childhood obesity.

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COLLOCATIONS with **duration**

duration

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average duration

- The interviews had an average duration of 11x2 hours.

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brief duration

- It might be the case that the agent-assigning role of *by* has a similar facilitating effect, the relatively brief duration of this morpheme notwithstanding.

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duration of follow-up

- The duration of follow-up was a function of the time when treatment was performed.

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in Spanish

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