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Definition of 'encompass'

encompass

(Ink_ɑmpəs)

Word forms: encompasses, encompassing, encompassed

1. transitive verb

If something encompasses particular things, it includes them.

His repertoire encompassed everything from Bach to Schoenberg.

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2. transitive verb

To encompass a place means to completely surround or cover it.

The map shows the rest of the western region, encompassing nine states.

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in American English

(en'kʌmpəs, In'kʌmpəs)

verb transitive

- 1. to shut in all around; surround; encircle
2. to contain; include
3. to bring about; achieve; contrive
to encompass its destruction

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Derived forms

encompassment (en'compassment) noun

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in American English

(en'kʌmpəs)

transitive verb

- 1. to form a circle about; encircle; surround



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- to enclose; envelop
The folds of a great cloak encompassed her person
- to include comprehensively
a work that encompasses the entire range of the world's religious beliefs
- obsolete
to outwit

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Derived forms

encompassment **noun**

Word origin

[1545–55; EN-¹ + COMPASS]

encompass

in British English

(In'kʌmpəs)

verb (transitive)

- to enclose within a circle; surround
- to bring about; cause to happen; contrive
he encompassed the enemy's ruin
- to include entirely or comprehensively
this book encompasses the whole range of knowledge

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Derived forms

encompassment (en'compassment) **noun**

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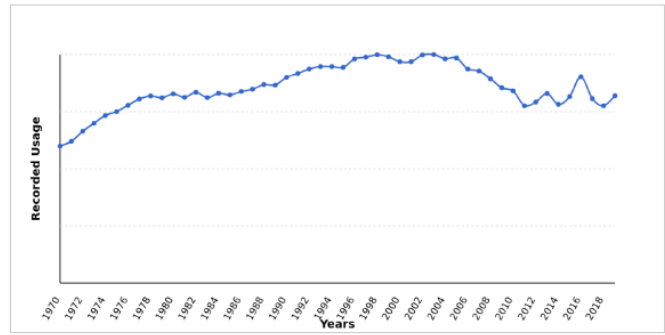
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