

Access ★★★

This is about *access* as a noun, and *access* as a verb.

1 Access (noun) (to)



You can see the garden, but there is no access to it.

More examples

A flight of stairs allows easy access to the loft
He gained access to the files by hacking into the site
“Access to the private areas is not permitted”

2 Access (verb) In computing, to be able to open and use a file



“You’ll need a password to access the files”

(As a verb, *access* is mostly limited to **computing**)

More examples

You cannot access this file while it is locked by another user.
You can access the files without a password.

Quick check

Complete each space with to or Ø [nothing]:

- 1 In order to access _____ this folder, speak to the administrator.
- 2 To gain access _____ the files, speak to the administrator.
- 3 Access _____ the House of Commons can be arranged through your MP.
- 4 Accessing _____ the different files in the collection is straightforward.
- 5 A winding country road gives access _____ the property.
- 6 If you want to access _____ these files, you will need the password.
- 7 To gain access _____ the property, you will need permission from the owner.
- 8 It is hard to get access _____ the president unless you have the right connections.
- 9 One way of accessing _____ these files is to hack into them.
- 10 Access _____ these files is by authorisation only.

