

# phrases with CASE



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**(not) the case :**

(not) true

- If that is the case then I will be very disappointed.
- It is simply not the case that prison conditions are improving

**(just) in case**

because of a possibility of something happening, being needed, etc.:

- I don't think I'll need any money but I'll bring some just in case.

**in case of** (formal) if sth happens

- In case of fire, ring the alarm bell

**in any case**

: used to say that something is true or certain, regardless of what else has happened or been said

- I don't want to go and in any case, I haven't been invited.
- There's no point complaining now—we're leaving tomorrow in any case.

**in that case**

because of the mentioned situation:

- There's no coffee left? In that case I'll have tea.
- You're late again? Oh, fine. In that case, just meet me at the restaurant.

**in this case**

referring to a situation that is currently happening

- We don't usually accept late applications, but in this case we will make an exception.

**a case in point**

a clear example of the problem, situation, etc. that is being discussed

- Many professions feel they deserve higher pay, and nurses are a case in point.

**on/off somebody's case**

(informal) used to describe someone who is always or frequently criticizing you or telling you what to do

- She's always on my case about the clothes I wear.
- Get off my case! I'm working as hard as I can!

**in the case of** (someone/something)

in connection with someone or something, or in the situation of something:

- The law will apply equally to men and women except in the case of maternity leave.

**as/whatever the case may/might be**

one of the stated possibilities that is true:

- When the election is called in April, or June, whatever the case might be, we shall be ready for it.
- There may be an announcement about this tomorrow—or not, as the case may be.

**a case of**

used when a situation is of a particular type:

- She doesn't want to work full-time, it's a case of having to.

**a classic case of**

a typical example of something

- They have a classic case of sibling rivalry.