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1. Not feigned or affected; genuine: *sincere indignation*.
2. Being without hypocrisy or pretense; true: *a sincere friend*.
3. *Archaic* Pure; unadulterated.

[Latin *sincērus*; see **ker-**² [in the Appendix of Indo-European roots](#).]

sin·cere **ly** *adv.*

sin·cere **ness** *n.*

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