

Lesson

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Feign (verb)

Definition: to pretend

Synonyms: simulate, fake

Antonyms: to tell the truth, to be honest

Sentence: He *feigned* an interest in the conversation, but his mind wandered elsewhere.

Felonious (adjective)

Definition: of, like, or constituting a felony (major crime)

Synonyms: corrupt, illegal, illicit

Antonyms: honest, truthful, law-abiding

Sentence: The boys were charged with *felonious* assault and spent the night behind bars.

Fester (verb)

Definition: to rot; to form pus; to grow embittered

Synonyms: **aggravate, blister**

Antonyms: **improve, grown**

Sentence: If allowed to *fester*, a feeling of dislike can turn to bitter hatred.

Fidelity (noun)

Definition: faithfulness

Synonyms: **loyalty**

Antonyms: **treachery**

Sentence: The king told his people that their *fidelity* would be rewarded.

Filial (adjective)

Definition: due from a son or daughter

Synonyms: dutiful, familial

Antonyms:

Sentence: The love we have for our parents is termed *filial* love.

Flagrant (adjective)

Definition: glaringly bad; outrageous

Synonyms: **offensive**

Antonyms: **wonderful, obscure**

Sentence: His *flagrant* disregard for authority got the boy into a lot of trouble.

Fluent (adjective)

Definition: able to speak and/or write easily, clearly

Synonyms: **flowing**

Antonyms: **hesitant**

Sentence: Being fluent in three languages helped Ellen obtain the job of interpreter at the United Nations.

Flux (noun)

Definition: state of continual change or movement

Synonyms: **flow**

Antonyms: **inactivity**

Sentence: The fashion industry is always in a state of *flux*.

GRAMMAR: Parts of a Sentence

An **INFINITIVE** is a verbal consisting of the word *to* plus a verb - for example: “to perceive,” “to understand,” and “to pretend.” The infinitive functions as a noun, adjective or adverb.

GRAMMAR: Parts of a Sentence

Examples:

To win was Ted's goal.

The team to beat is the Panthers.

My aunt needed someone to move her cabinet.

Lindsay raced into the room to help the others.

QUICK QUIZ

We left to get some water.

To be well liked was Willy Loman's goal.

The score to beat is 1340.

We left the building to see all the floats in the parade.

My instructor was happy to receive your report.