

Need another word that means the same as “artifice”? Find 35 synonyms and 30 related words for “artifice” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Artifice” are: ruse, trickery, deviousness, deceit, deception, dishonesty, cheating, duplicity, guile, cunning, artfulness, wiliness, craft, craftiness, evasion, slyness, chicanery, intrigue, subterfuge, strategy, bluff, pretence, device, trick, stratagem, ploy, tactic, scheme, move, manoeuvre, contrivance, machination, expedient, wile, dodge

Artifice as a Noun

Definitions of "Artifice" as a noun

According to the [Oxford Dictionary of English](#), “artifice” as a noun can have the following definitions:

- *A deceptive maneuver (especially to avoid capture).*
- *Clever or cunning devices or expedients, especially as used to trick or deceive others.*

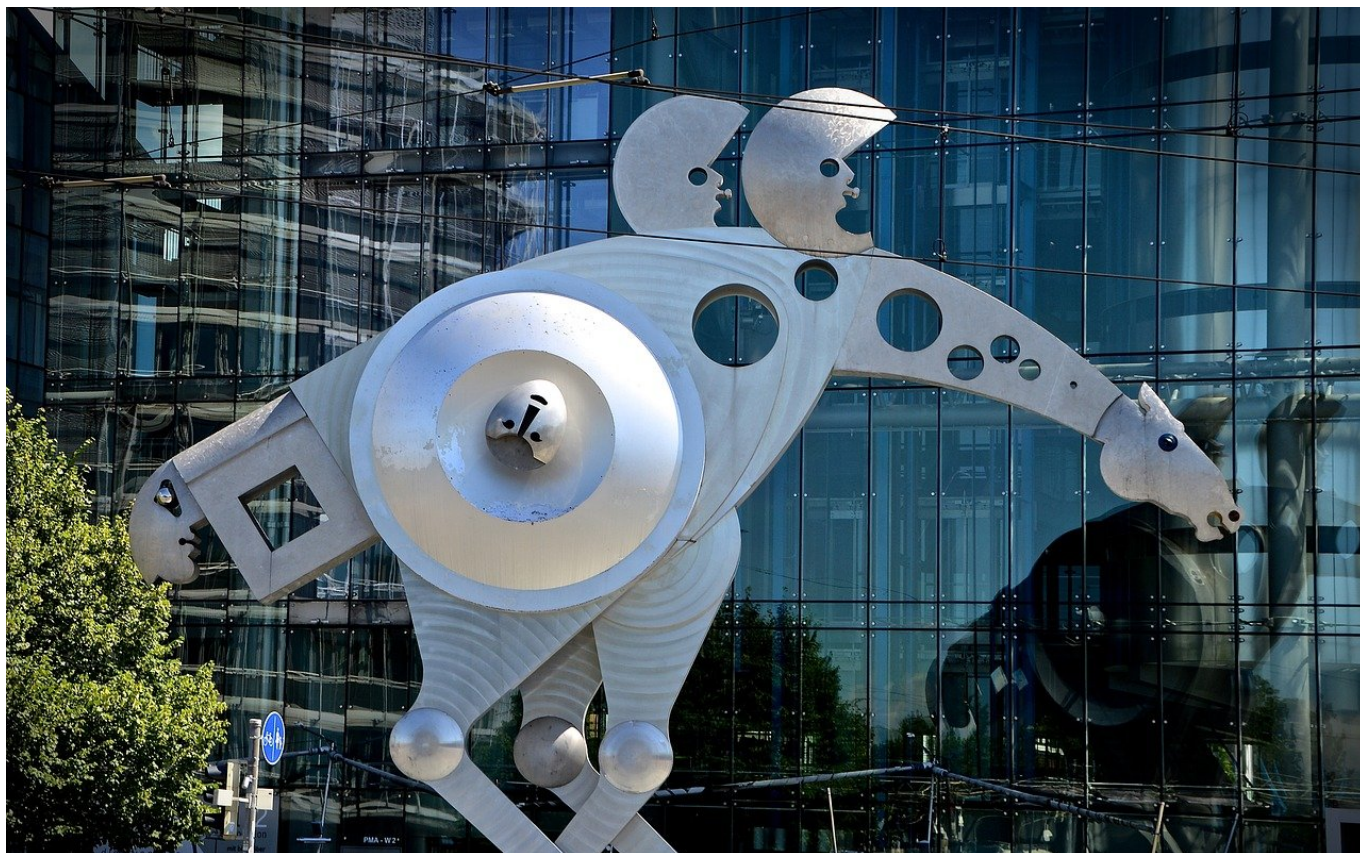


Synonyms of "Artifice" as a noun (35 Words)

artfulness	The quality of being adroit in taking unfair advantage.
bluff	The act of bluffing in poker deception by a false show of confidence in the strength of your cards. <i>His game of bluff.</i>
cheating	A deception for profit to yourself.
<u>chicanery</u>	The use of tricks to deceive someone (usually to extract money from them). <i>Storylines packed with political chicanery.</i>
contrivance	A thing which is created skilfully and inventively to serve a particular purpose. <i>His skillful contrivance of answers to every problem.</i>
<u>craft</u>	An aircraft or spaceship. <i>Sailing craft.</i>
craftiness	A steep rugged rock or cliff.
<u>cunning</u>	Shrewdness as demonstrated by being skilled in deception. <i>What resources of energy and cunning it took just to survive.</i>

deceit	The act of deceiving. <i>A series of lies and deceits.</i>
deception	The act of deceiving. <i>A range of elaborate deceptions.</i>
device	A thing made or adapted for a particular purpose, especially a piece of mechanical or electronic equipment. <i>An incendiary device.</i>
deviousness	The quality of being oblique and rambling indirectly.
dishonesty	A fraudulent or deceitful act. <i>The dismissal of thirty civil servants for dishonesty and misconduct.</i>
dodge	A cunning trick or dishonest act, in particular one intended to avoid something unpleasant. <i>The grant system's widespread use as a tax dodge.</i>
duplicity	Deceitfulness. <i>The president was accused of duplicity in his dealings with Congress.</i>
evasion	An indirect answer; a prevaricating excuse. <i>Their adroit evasion of almost all questions.</i>
expedient	A means of attaining an end, especially one that is convenient but possibly improper or immoral. <i>The current policy is a political expedient.</i>
guile	Shrewdness as demonstrated by being skilled in deception. <i>He used all his guile and guts to free himself from the muddle he was in.</i>
intrigue	A clandestine love affair. <i>The cabinet was a nest of intrigue.</i>
machination	A plot or scheme.
manoeuvre	A move made to gain a tactical end. <i>The Russian vessel was on manoeuvres.</i>
move	A player's turn to take some action permitted by the rules of the game. <i>He didn't make a move to help.</i>
ploy	A maneuver in a game or conversation. <i>The eternal cross stitch I was set to do before I could indulge my own loys.</i>
pretence	Imaginative intellectual play. <i>Before the age of two children start to engage in pretence.</i>
ruse	A deceptive maneuver (especially to avoid capture). <i>Emma tried to think of a ruse to get Paul out of the house.</i>
scheme	A schematic or preliminary plan. <i>The whole scheme is plunged into darkness bar the light in Victor's house.</i>

slyness	Shrewdness as demonstrated by being skilled in deception.
stratagem	Skill in devising plans or schemes; cunning. <i>A series of devious stratagems.</i>
strategy	The branch of military science dealing with military command and the planning and conduct of a war. <i>Time to develop a coherent economic strategy.</i>
<u>subterfuge</u>	Deceit used in order to achieve one's goal. <i>I hated all the subterfuges I hated lying to you.</i>
tactic	The art of disposing armed forces in order of battle and of organizing operations, especially during contact with an enemy. <i>These are possible tax saving tactics to discuss with your accountant.</i>
trick	A clever or particular way of doing something. <i>She thought Elaine was playing some trick on her.</i>
<u>trickery</u>	The practice of deception. <i>The dealer resorted to trickery.</i>
wile	The use of tricks to deceive someone (usually to extract money from them). <i>She didn't employ any feminine wiles to capture his attention.</i>
wiliness	A hypothetical subatomic particle of large mass that interacts weakly with ordinary matter through gravitation; postulated as a constituent of the dark matter of the universe.



Usage Examples of "Artifice" as a noun

- *The style is not free from the artifices of the period.*
- *An industry dominated by artifice.*



Associations of "Artifice" (30 Words)

<u>calculated</u>	Carefully thought out in advance. <i>Victims of vicious and calculated assaults.</i>
<u>concoct</u>	Make a concoction of by mixing. <i>She began to concoct a dinner likely to appeal to him.</i>
construct	Build or make (something, typically a building, road, or machine). <i>These rules tell us how to construct a grammatical sentence in a given language.</i>
<u>deliberate</u>	Engage in long and careful consideration. <i>A conscientious and deliberate worker.</i>
deliberately	In a careful and unhurried way. <i>The fire was started deliberately.</i>
designed	Done or made or performed with purpose and intent. <i>Games designed for all ages.</i>

fabricate	Invent (something) in order to deceive. <i>Officers fabricated evidence.</i>
fancied	Formed or conceived by the imagination. <i>A fancied wrong.</i>
<u>fictitious</u>	Adopted in order to deceive. <i>Reports of a deal were dismissed as fictitious by the Minister.</i>
<u>forge</u>	A workplace where metal is worked by heating and hammering. <i>The signature on the cheque was forged.</i>
<u>headed</u>	Having a heading or course in a certain direction. <i>She was always cool headed.</i>
<u>intend</u>	Mean or intend to express or convey. <i>Pigs intended for human consumption.</i>
intended	Planned or meant. <i>An intended insult.</i>
<u>intentional</u>	Done or made or performed with purpose and intent- Havelock Ellis. <i>Intentional damage.</i>
intentionality	The quality of mental states (e.g. thoughts, beliefs, desires, hopes) which consists in their being directed towards some object or state of affairs.
intentionally	With intention; in an intentional manner. <i>He used that word intentionally.</i>
knowingly	With full knowledge and deliberation. <i>Amy looked at me knowingly.</i>
minded	(used in combination) mentally oriented toward something specified. <i>I m not scientifically minded.</i>
plan	Make a design of plan out in systematic often graphic form. <i>The UN peace plan.</i>
<u>planned</u>	Planned in advance. <i>The planned outlays for new equipment.</i>
premeditated	Characterized by deliberate purpose and some degree of planning. <i>A premeditated crime.</i>
purpose	The quality of being determined to do or achieve something firmness of purpose. <i>He is a man of purpose.</i>
purposeful	Having or showing determination or resolve. <i>The purposeful stride of a great barrister.</i>
purposefully	In a way that shows determination or resolve. <i>We purposefully avoided addressing the problem.</i>

purposely	With intention; in an intentional manner. <i>She had purposely made it difficult.</i>
ruse	An action intended to deceive someone; a trick. <i>Emma tried to think of a ruse to get Paul out of the house.</i>
sabotage	Destroy property or hinder normal operations. <i>A coordinated campaign of sabotage.</i>
scheme	Arrange according to a colour scheme. <i>A classical rhyme scheme.</i>
skillfully	With skill. <i>Fragments of a nearly complete jug skillfully restored at the institute of archaeology.</i>
wittingly	With full knowledge and deliberation. <i>He wittingly deleted the references.</i>

