

Need another word that means the same as “duplicity”? Find 26 synonyms and 30 related words for “duplicity” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Duplicity” are: fraudulence, double-dealing, deceitfulness, deceit, deception, deviousness, underhandedness, dishonesty, falseness, falsity, fraud, sharp practice, swindling, cheating, chicanery, trickery, craft, guile, artifice, subterfuge, skulduggery, treachery, unfairness, unjustness, perfidy, improbity

Duplicity as a Noun

Definitions of "Duplicity" as a noun

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

- *The state of being double.*
- *A fraudulent or duplicitous representation.*
- *Deceitfulness.*
- *Acting in bad faith; deception by pretending to entertain one set of intentions while acting under the influence of another.*



Synonyms of "Duplicity" as a noun (26 Words)

[artifice](#)

Clever or cunning devices or expedients, especially as used to trick or deceive others.

*An industry dominated by **artifice**.*

cheating

A deception for profit to yourself.

[chicanery](#)

The use of deception or subterfuge to achieve one's purpose.

*Storylines packed with political **chicanery**.*

[craft](#)

An aircraft or spaceship.

*Her cousin was not her equal in guile and evasive **craft**.*

[deceit](#)

The action or practice of deceiving someone by concealing or misrepresenting the truth.

*Hypocrisy and **deceit** were anathema to her.*

deceitfulness

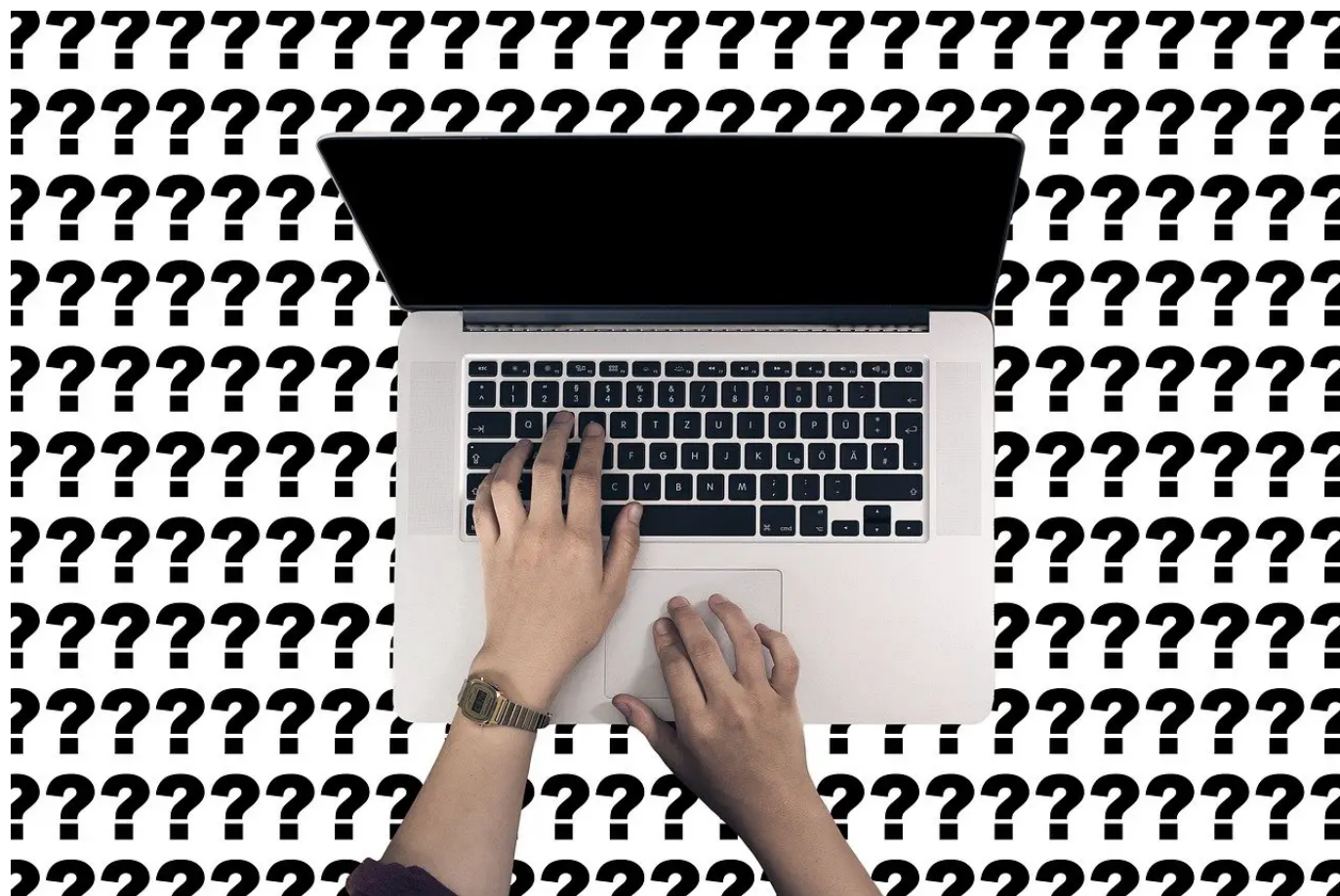
The quality of being crafty.

deception

The act of deceiving.

*Obtaining property by **deception**.*

deviousness	The quality of being oblique and rambling indirectly.
dishonesty	Deceitfulness shown in someone's character or behaviour. <i>The dismissal of thirty civil servants for dishonesty and misconduct.</i>
double-dealing	Acting in bad faith; deception by pretending to entertain one set of intentions while acting under the influence of another.
falseness	Unfaithfulness by virtue of being unreliable or treacherous.
falsity	The fact of being untrue, incorrect, or insincere. <i>He exposed the falsity of the claim.</i>
fraud	Intentional deception resulting in injury to another person. <i>Prosecutions for social security frauds.</i>
fraudulence	A fraudulent or duplicitous representation.
guile	The quality of being crafty. <i>He used all his guile and guts to free himself from the muddle he was in.</i>
improbability	Lack of honesty and moral integrity.
perfidy	The state of being deceitful and untrustworthy. <i>It was an example of his perfidy.</i>
sharp practice	A long thin sewing needle with a sharp point.
skulduggery	Underhand, unscrupulous, or dishonest behaviour or activities. <i>A firm that investigates commercial skulduggery.</i>
<u>subterfuge</u>	Deceit used in order to achieve one's goal. <i>He wasn't sick it was just a subterfuge.</i>
swindling	The act of swindling by some fraudulent scheme.
<u>treachery</u>	Betrayal of trust. <i>Many died because of his treachery.</i>
<u>trickery</u>	The use of tricks to deceive someone (usually to extract money from them). <i>The dealer resorted to trickery.</i>
underhandedness	Secretive or dishonest behaviour. <i>He rules with a combination of threats and underhandedness.</i>
unfairness	An unjust act. <i>The multiple unfairnesses the elderly face.</i>
unjustness	The practice of being unjust or unfair.



Usage Examples of "Duplicity" as a noun

- *The president was accused of duplicity in his dealings with Congress.*



Associations of "Duplicity" (30 Words)

betray	Give away information about somebody. <i>A double agent who betrayed some 400 British and French agents to the Germans.</i>
<u>betrayal</u>	An act of deliberate betrayal. <i>The betrayal by the king by his daughter.</i>
betray	A person who says one thing and does another.
cheating	Violating accepted standards or rules.
<u>chicanery</u>	The use of deception or subterfuge to achieve one's purpose. <i>Storylines packed with political chicanery.</i>

<u>cunning</u>	Crafty artfulness (especially in deception). <i>A cunning baby.</i>
<u>deceit</u>	The action or practice of deceiving someone by concealing or misrepresenting the truth. <i>Hypocrisy and deceit were anathema to her.</i>
deceive	Be false to; be dishonest with. <i>I didn't intend to deceive people into thinking it was French champagne.</i>
deception	An illusory feat; considered magical by naive observers. <i>Obtaining property by deception.</i>
fraud	A person or thing intended to deceive others, typically by unjustifiably claiming or being credited with accomplishments or qualities. <i>Mediums exposed as tricksters and frauds.</i>
fraudulence	The quality of being fraudulent.
guile	The quality of being crafty. <i>He used all his guile and guts to free himself from the muddle he was in.</i>
<u>hoax</u>	Subject to a playful hoax or joke. <i>The evidence had been planted as part of an elaborate hoax.</i>
humbug	A hypocrite. <i>Poor Dave is easily humbugged.</i>
hypocrite	A hypocritical person. <i>The story tells of respectable Ben who turns out to be a cheat and a hypocrite.</i>
infidelity	Disbelief in a particular religion, especially Christianity. <i>Her infidelity continued after her marriage.</i>
perfidious	Tending to betray; especially having a treacherous character as attributed to the Carthaginians by the Romans. <i>The perfidious Judas.</i>
perfidy	Betrayal of a trust. <i>It was an example of his perfidy.</i>
phony	A person who professes beliefs and opinions that he or she does not hold in order to conceal his or her real feelings or motives.
quisling	A traitor who collaborates with an enemy force occupying their country. <i>He had the Quisling owner of the factory arrested.</i>
<u>rebel</u>	A person who takes part in an armed rebellion against the constituted authority especially in the hope of improving conditions. <i>As I came over the hill my legs rebelled I could walk no further.</i>

<u>renegade</u>	Become a renegade. <i>An agent who later turns out to be a renegade.</i>
skulduggery	Verbal misrepresentation intended to take advantage of you in some way. <i>A firm that investigates commercial skulduggery.</i>
<u>traitor</u>	A person who says one thing and does another. <i>He was a traitor to his own class.</i>
<u>traitorous</u>	Having the character of, or characteristic of, a traitor. <i>When his traitorous actions were discovered he was imprisoned.</i>
treacherous	Tending to betray especially having a treacherous character as attributed to the Carthaginians by the Romans. <i>A holidaymaker was swept away by treacherous currents.</i>
treasonable	(of an offence or offender) punishable as treason or as committing treason. <i>There was no evidence of treasonable activity.</i>
<u>trickery</u>	The use of tricks to deceive someone (usually to extract money from them). <i>The dealer resorted to trickery.</i>
<u>turncoat</u>	A person who deserts one party or cause in order to join an opposing one. <i>They denounced him as a turncoat.</i>
wile	Lure; entice. <i>She didn't employ any feminine wiles to capture his attention.</i>

