

Need another word that means the same as “imitation”? Find 22 synonyms and 30 related words for “imitation” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Imitation” are: caricature, impersonation, emulation, copying, following, echoing, parroting, impression, parody, mockery, burlesque, travesty, lampoon, pastiche, copy, simulation, reproduction, replica, fake, false, faux, simulated

Imitation as a Noun

Definitions of "Imitation" as a noun

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

- *The doctrine that representations of nature or human behavior should be accurate imitations.*
- *The repetition of a phrase or melody in another part or voice, usually at a different pitch.*
- *An act of imitating a person's speech or mannerisms, especially for comic effect.*
- *A thing intended to simulate or copy something else.*
- *Copying (or trying to copy) the actions of someone else.*
- *Something copied or derived from an original.*
- *The action of using someone or something as a model.*
- *A representation of a person that is exaggerated for comic effect.*



Synonyms of "Imitation" as a noun (18 Words)

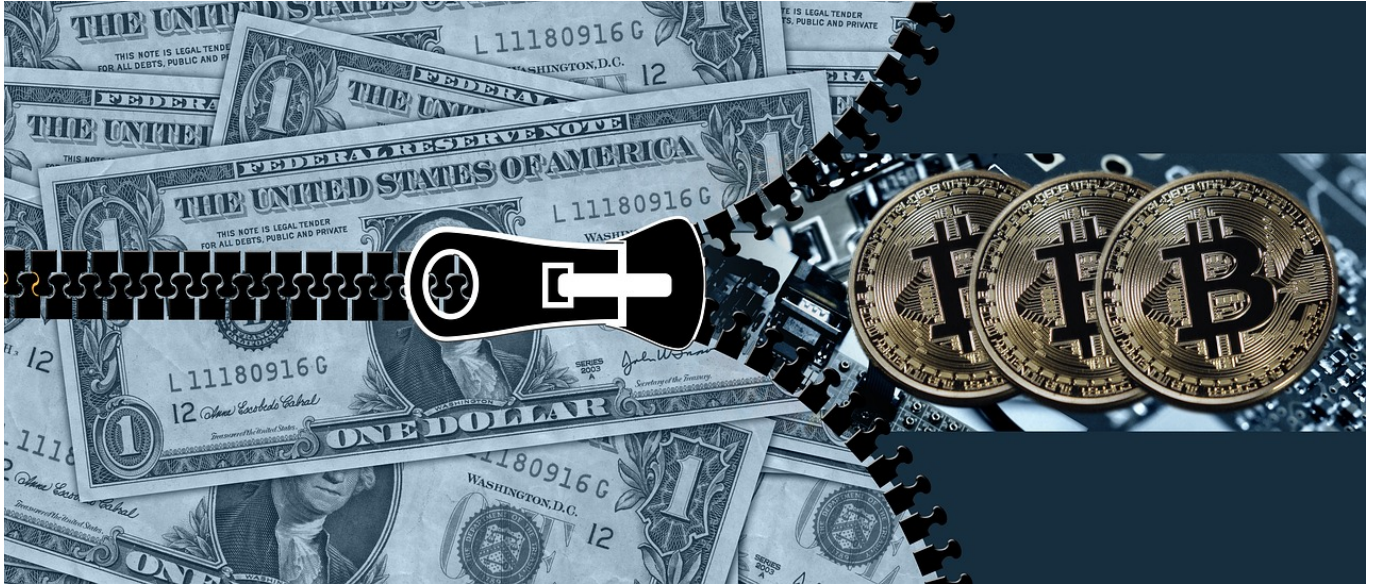
burlesque	A composition that imitates or misrepresents somebody's style, usually in a humorous way. <i>A novel which is a burlesque of the literary life.</i>
<u>caricature</u>	A representation of a person that is exaggerated for comic effect. <i>He looked a caricature of his normal self.</i>
copy	Matter to be printed. <i>Copy for the next issue must be submitted by the beginning of the month.</i>
copying	An act of copying.
echoing	The repetition of a sound resulting from reflection of the sound waves.
emulation	(computer science) technique of one machine obtaining the same results as another. <i>An additional server is accessed via emulation software.</i>
following	The act of pursuing in an effort to overtake or capture. <i>The following are both grammatically correct sentences.</i>

impersonation	Pretending to be another person. <i>He was tried on charges of impersonation and forgery.</i>
<u>impression</u>	An impressionistic portrayal of a person. <i>I wanted to create an impression of success.</i>
lampoon	A speech or text lampooning someone or something. <i>The magazine fired at God Royalty and politicians using cartoons and lampoons.</i>
<u>mockery</u>	An absurd misrepresentation or imitation of something. <i>Stung by her mockery Frankie hung his head.</i>
<u>parody</u>	A composition that imitates or misrepresents somebody's style, usually in a humorous way. <i>He gave her a parody of a smile.</i>
parroting	Usually brightly colored zygodactyl tropical birds with short hooked beaks and the ability to mimic sounds.
pastiche	A musical composition consisting of a series of songs or other musical pieces from various sources. <i>The operetta is a pastiche of 18th century style.</i>
<u>replica</u>	An exact copy or model of something, especially one on a smaller scale. <i>A replica of the Empire State Building.</i>
<u>reproduction</u>	Recall that is hypothesized to work by storing the original stimulus input and reproducing it during recall. <i>A reproduction of Monet s Wild Poppies.</i>
simulation	The production of a computer model of something, especially for the purpose of study. <i>Simulation models will allow researchers to test different strategies.</i>
<u>travesty</u>	A comedy characterized by broad satire and improbable situations. <i>The absurdly lenient sentence is a travesty of justice.</i>



Usage Examples of "Imitation" as a noun

- *He attempted an atrocious imitation of my English accent.*
- *An imitation sub-machine gun.*
- *A child learns to speak by imitation.*



Imitation as an Adjective

Definitions of "Imitation" as an adjective

According to the [Oxford Dictionary of English](#), "imitation" as an adjective can have the following definitions:

- *Not genuine or real; being an imitation of the genuine article.*



Synonyms of "Imitation" as an adjective (4 Words)

- fake** Not genuine; imitation or counterfeit.
*It isn't **fake** anything it's real synthetic fur.*
- false** Used in names of plants animals and gems that superficially resemble the thing properly so called e.g false oat.
*A suitcase with a **false** bottom.*
- faux** Made in imitation; artificial.
*His **faux** macho banter caused offence.*
- simulated** Manufactured in imitation of some other material.
*A **simulated** emergency landing.*



Usage Examples of "Imitation" as an adjective

- *Decorated with imitation palm leaves.*



Associations of "Imitation" (30 Words)

[artificial](#)

Artificially formal.
*She gave an **artificial** smile.*

baloney	Foolish or deceptive talk; nonsense. <i>I don't buy it it's all a load of baloney.</i>
bogus	Not genuine or true (used in a disapproving manner when deception has been attempted). <i>A bogus insurance claim.</i>
charlatan	A person falsely claiming to have a special knowledge or skill. <i>A self-confessed con artist and charlatan.</i>
copy	Send a copy of a letter or an email to a third party. <i>The command will copy a file from one disc to another.</i>
counterfeit	Resemble closely. <i>A counterfeit image of reality.</i>
emulate	Reproduce the function or action of (a different computer, software system, etc.). <i>Hers is not a hairstyle I wish to emulate.</i>
ersatz	An artificial or inferior substitute or imitation. <i>Ersatz coffee.</i>
factitious	Not produced by natural forces. <i>A largely factitious national identity.</i>
fake	A thing that is not genuine; a forgery or sham. <i>Fakes of Old Masters.</i>
faux	Not genuine or real; being an imitation of the genuine article. <i>A rope of faux pearls.</i>
hypocrite	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. <i>The story tells of respectable Ben who turns out to be a cheat and a hypocrite.</i>
imitate	Reproduce someone's behavior or looks. <i>His style was imitated by many other writers.</i>
imitative	(of words) formed in imitation of a natural sound. <i>Man is an imitative being.</i>
inauthentic	Lacking sincerity. <i>People close to death could not waste time being inauthentic.</i>
mimesis	The imitative representation of nature and human behavior in art and literature. <i>Barth has always detached his use of plot from mimesis.</i>
mimetic	Exhibiting mimicry. <i>Mimetic patterns in butterflies.</i>

mimic	Someone who mimics especially an actor or actress. <i>He has great ability as a mimic.</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.
pseudo	(often used in combination) not genuine but having the appearance of. <i>Pseudoclassic.</i>
rejoinder	A quick reply to a question or remark (especially a witty or critical one). <i>She would have made some cutting rejoinder but none came to mind.</i>
replica	An exact copy or model of something, especially one on a smaller scale. <i>A replica of the Empire State Building.</i>
replicate	Make an exact copy of; reproduce. <i>It might be impractical to replicate Eastern culture in the west.</i>
replication	(law) a pleading made by a plaintiff in reply to the defendant's plea or answer. <i>In the replication the plaintiff went on to state many additional facts.</i>
riposte	A quick reply to a question or remark (especially a witty or critical one). <i>His opponent riposted.</i>
sham	Pretend to be or to be experiencing. <i>He was a sham totally unqualified for his job as a senior doctor.</i>
simulate	Reproduce someone's behavior or looks. <i>Future population changes were simulated by computer.</i>
simulated	Not genuine or real; being an imitation of the genuine article. <i>A simulated leather handbag.</i>
specious	Based on pretense; deceptively pleasing. <i>A specious argument.</i>
spurious	Born out of wedlock. <i>A spurious work of art.</i>

