

Need another word that means the same as "pretending"? Find 4 synonyms and 30 related words for "pretending" in this overview.

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The synonyms of "Pretending" are: feigning, pretence, pretense, simulation

# Pretending as a Noun

### Definitions of "Pretending" as a noun

According to the Oxford Dictionary of English, "pretending" as a noun can have the following definitions:

- The act of giving a false appearance.
- The enactment of a pretense.







## Synonyms of "Pretending" as a noun (4 Words)

**feigning** The act of giving a false appearance.

**pretence**The practice of inventing imaginary situations in play.
They have finally shandared their assessment and protections.

They have finally abandoned their secrecy and **pretence**.

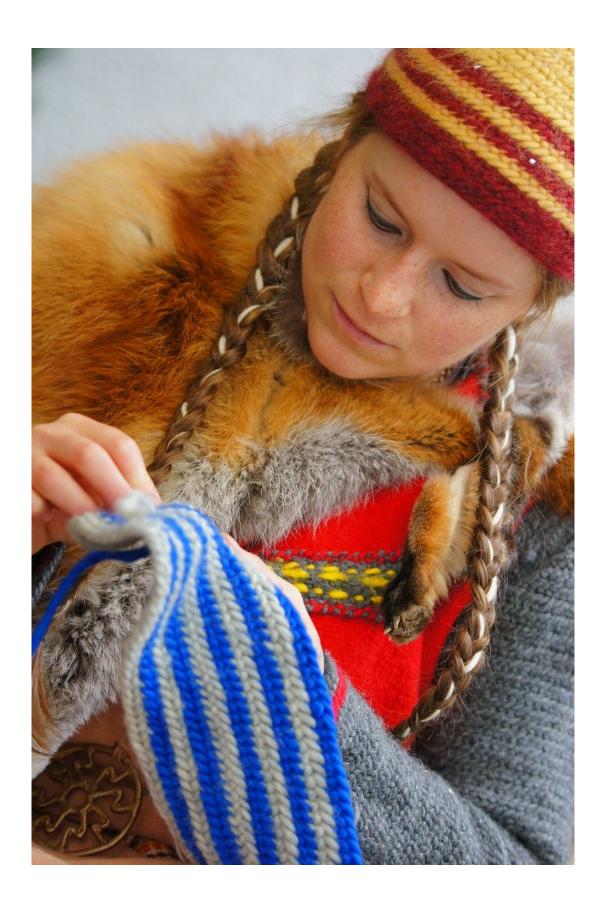
**pretense** A false or unsupportable quality.

The production of a computer model of something, especially for the purpose

**simulation** of study.

Photographs showing **simulation** of sex acts.

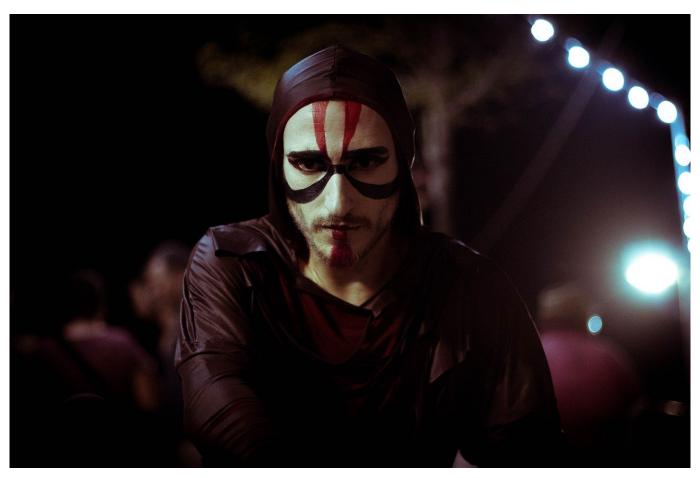






## Usage Examples of "Pretending" as a noun

• His conformity was only pretending.



# Associations of "Pretending" (30 Words)

Perform an action or work out or perform an action.

The first **act**.

**affectation** A deliberate pretense or exaggerated display.

An **affectation** of calm.

Begin to have (a specified quality, appearance, or extent.

Oliver assumed an expression of penitence.

**behave**Behave in a certain manner.

They were expected to **behave** themselves.

cant Insincere talk about religion or morals.

He had no time for the **cant** of the priests about sin.



**deign** Do something that one considers to be beneath one's dignity.

He had **deign**ed an apology.

**dissemble** Hide under a false appearance.

An honest sincere person with no need to **dissemble**.

feign Invent (a story or excuse).

He **feign**ed sleep.

A thing that someone believes to be real but that exists only in their

**figment** imagination.

A **figment** of the imagination.

The practice of claiming to have higher standards or more noble beliefs than

**hypocrisy** is the case.

She was irritated to be accused of **hypocrisy**.

impersonate Assume or act the character of.

It s a very serious offence to **impersonate** a police officer.

inactive Having no chemical or biological effect.

**Inactive** machinery.

Proceeding in a gradual, subtle way, but with very harmful effects.

**Insidious** pleasures.

Affectedly dainty in manner or gait; effeminate (typically used of a man.

**mincing** I don t have to go through the rest of my life with that **mincing** voice of

yours.

Overfond of making moral judgements about others' behaviour; too ready to

moralistic moralize.

Modernized fairy tales are often **moralistic** and cleaned up.

**pretension** The advancing of a claim.

His **pretension**s to the imperial inheritance.

Something serving to conceal plans; a fictitious reason that is concocted in

pretext order to conceal the real reason.

The rebels had the perfect **pretext** for making their move.

Dress primly.

**prim**A very **prim** and proper lady.

**prudery** Excessive or affected modesty.

Having or revealing a tendency to be easily shocked by matters relating to

**prudish** sex or nudity; excessively concerned with sexual propriety.

The **prudish** moral climate of the late 19th century.

**pseudo**Not genuine but having the appearance of.

We are talking about real journalists and not the **pseudo** kind.



Having or displaying censorious moral beliefs, especially about self-

**puritan** indulgence and sex.

A **puritan** conscience.

realistically In a realistic manner.

Cubist artists did not try to paint **realistically**.

refine Attenuate or reduce in vigor, strength, or intensity by polishing or purifying.

**Refine** a method of analysis.

**sham** Pretend to be or to be experiencing.

She **sham**s indifference.

shy Less than; short of.

The wealthy have become less **shy** of displaying their privilege.

simulate Make a pretence of.

Future population changes were **simulate**d by computer.

**smatter** Work with in an amateurish manner.

She **smatter**s Russian.

timid Lacking self-confidence.

I was too **timid** to ask for what I wanted.



