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English Wikipedia has an article on:Wikipedia From Middle English example, exaumple, from Old French example, essaumple, from Latin exemplum (“sample, pattern, specimen, copy for imitation, etc.”, literally “what is taken out”); see exempt. Doublet of exemplum and sample. Displaced native Middle English forebisne, from Old English forebȳsn; and Middle English bisne,
from Old English bȳsn (modern English bizen). example (plural examples) Something that is representative of all such things in a group. 2005 May 23, Gavriel D. Rosenfeld, The World Hitler Never Made: Alternate History and the Memory of Nazism[1], Cambridge University Press, →ISBN, page 182:If Demandt's essay served as a strident example of the German desire for
normalcy, a more subtle example was provided by a brief allohistorical depiction of a Nazi victory in World War II written by German historian Michael Salewski in 1999. 2013 July 26, Leo Hickman, “How algorithms rule the world”, in The Guardian Weekly, volume 189, number 7, page 26:The use of algorithms in policing is one example of their increasing influence on our lives.
And, as their ubiquity spreads, so too does the debate around whether we should allow ourselves to become so reliant on them – and who, if anyone, is policing their use. Something that serves to illustrate or explain a rule. 2013 May-June, David Van Tassel, Lee DeHaan, “Wild Plants to the Rescue”, in American Scientist, volume 101, number 3:Plant breeding is always a
numbers game. […] The wild species we use are rich in genetic variation, […]. In addition, we are looking for rare alleles, so the more plants we try, the better. These rarities may be new mutations, or they can be existing ones that are neutral—or are even selected against—in a wild population. A good example is mutations that disrupt seed dispersal, leaving the seeds on the
heads long after they are ripe. Something that serves as a pattern of behaviour to be imitated (a good example) or not to be imitated (a bad example). Nelson Mandela was an example for many to follow. 1671, John Milton, “Samson Agonistes, […].”, in Paradise Regain’d. A Poem. In IV Books. To which is Added, Samson Agonistes, London: […] J[ohn] M[acock] for John
Starkey […], →OCLC, page 52, lines 823–824:I gave, thou fay'ft, th' example, / I led the way; 1816 June – 1817 April/May (date written), [Mary Shelley], chapter IV, in Frankenstein; or, The Modern Prometheus. […], volume I, London: […] [Macdonald and Son] for Lackington, Hughes, Harding, Mavor, & Jones, published 1 January 1818, →OCLC, page 86:Learn from me, if not by
my precepts, at least by my example, how dangerous is the acquirement of knowledge, […] 1897 December (indicated as 1898), Winston Churchill, chapter IV, in The Celebrity: An Episode, New York, N.Y.: The Macmillan Company; London: Macmillan & Co., Ltd., →OCLC, pages 58–59:The Celebrity, by arts unknown, induced Mrs. Judge Short and two other ladies to call at
Mohair on a certain afternoon when Mr. Cooke was trying a trotter on the track. […] Their example was followed by others at a time when the master of Mohair was superintending in person the docking of some two-year-olds, and equally invisible. A person punished as a warning to others. c. 1610–1611 (date written), William Shakespeare, “The Winters Tale”, in Mr. William
Shakespeares Comedies, Histories, & Tragedies […] (First Folio), London: […] Isaac Iaggard, and Ed[ward] Blount, published 1623, →OCLC, [Act IV, scene iv], page 298, column 1:[…] hang him, hee'le be made an example. A parallel or closely similar case, especially when serving as a precedent or model. c. 1596 (date written), William Shakespeare, “The Life and Death of King
Iohn”, in Mr. William Shakespeares Comedies, Histories, & Tragedies […] (First Folio), London: […] Isaac Iaggard, and Ed[ward] Blount, published 1623, →OCLC, [Act III, scene iv], page 12, column 1:Such temperate order in fo fierce a caufe, / Doth want example: […] An instance (as a problem to be solved) serving to illustrate the rule or precept or to act as an exercise in the
application of the rule. exemplar model pattern quotation template example (third-person singular simple present examples, present participle exampling, simple past and past participle exampled) “example”, in Webster’s Revised Unabridged Dictionary, Springfield, Mass.: G. & C. Merriam, 1913, →OCLC. William Dwight Whitney, Benjamin E[li] Smith, editors (1911),
“example”, in The Century Dictionary […], New York, N.Y.: The Century Co., →OCLC. “example”, in OneLook Dictionary Search. “example”, in Merriam-Webster Online Dictionary, Springfield, Mass.: Merriam-Webster, 1996–present. example in Britannica Dictionary example in Macmillan Collocations Dictionary example in Ozdic collocation dictionary example in WordReference
English Collocations noun (6)verb (used with object) (1)View synonyms for exampleone of a number of things, or a part of something, taken to show the character of the whole.This painting is an example of his early work.Synonyms: specimen, samplea pattern or model, as of something to be imitated or avoided.an instance serving for illustration; a representative case.The case
histories gave carefully detailed examples of this disease.an instance illustrating a rule or method, as a mathematical problem proposed for solution.an instance, especially of punishment, serving as a warning to others.Public executions were meant to be examples to the populace.a precedent; parallel case.an action without example.Rare. to give or be an example of; exemplify
(used in the passive).a specimen or instance that is typical of the group or set of which it forms part; samplea person, action, thing, etc, that is worthy of imitation; patternyou must set an example to the younger childrena precedent, illustration of a principle, or modelan example in a maths booka punishment or the recipient of a punishment serving or intended to serve as a
warningthe headmaster made an example of himas an illustration; for instance“Collins English Dictionary — Complete & Unabridged” 2012 Digital Edition © William Collins Sons & Co. Ltd. 1979, 1986 © HarperCollins Publishers 1998, 2000, 2003, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2009, 2012(tr; now usually passive) to present an example of; exemplify“Collins English Dictionary — Complete
& Unabridged” 2012 Digital Edition © William Collins Sons & Co. Ltd. 1979, 1986 © HarperCollins Publishers 1998, 2000, 2003, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2009, 2012Origin of example1First recorded in 1350–1400; Middle English exa(u)mple, from Middle French example, from Latin exemplum, akin to eximere “to take out,” from ex- ex- 1 + emere “to buy,” originally “to take”;
replacing Middle English exemple, from Latin, as aboveOrigin of example1C14: from Old French, from Latin exemplum pattern, from eximere to take out, from ex- 1 + emere to purchasesee for example; make an example of; set an example.Example, sample, specimen refer to an individual phenomenon taken as representative of a type, or to a part representative of the whole.
Example is used of an object, condition, etc., that is assumed to illustrate a certain principle or standard: a good example of baroque architecture. Sample refers to a small portion of a substance or to a single representative of a group or type that is intended to show what the rest of the substance or the group is like: a sample of yarn. Specimen usually suggests that the “sample”
chosen is intended to serve a scientific or technical purpose: a blood specimen; zoological specimens. See ideal. See case 1.Examples have not been reviewed.A June 20 letter to a senior California official cited, as one of several examples, sample wording from a middle school lesson:From time to time, the drivers - particularly George Russell, in his role as a director of the Grand
Prix Drivers' Association - make their displeasure known over a particular topic, for example the ban on swearing.During Jane's testimony, for example, they attempted to paint the witness as someone who at times appeared to be acting with agency in her relationship with Mr Combs, Mr Epner said.On 17 June, for example, Russia carried out its deadliest attack on Kyiv in
months, hitting residential buildings and, according to Ukrainian authorities, killing at least 28 people."They'd love to be in the same class of companies like, say, Nintendo, for example. It's been around more than 100
years."case illustration lesson object part pattern precedent symbol examinershipexanimateBrowse#aabbccddeeffgghhiijjkkllmmnnooppqqrrssttuuvvwwxxyyzzAboutCareersContact usCookies, terms, & privacyHelpFollow usGet the Word of the Day every day!© 2025 Dictionary.com, LLC Also found in: Thesaurus, Legal, Acronyms, Idioms, Wikipedia. (ĭg-zămʹpəl)n.1. One that is
representative of a group as a whole: the squirrel, an example of a rodent; introduced each new word with examples of its use.2. One serving as a pattern of a specific kind: set a good example by arriving on time.3. A similar case that constitutes a model or precedent: a unique episode, without example in maritime history.4. a. A punishment given as a warning or deterrent: saw
the boy's suspension as an example to all students considering breaking the rules.b. One that has been given such a punishment: made an example of the offender.5. A problem or exercise used to illustrate a principle or method.Idiom: for example As an illustrative instance: Wear something simple; for example, a skirt and blouse.[Middle English, from Old French example,
essaumple, from Latin exemplum, from eximere, to take out : ex-, ex- + emere, to take; see em- in Indo-European roots.]Synonyms: example, instance, case1, illustration, specimen These nouns refer to what is representative of or serves to explain a larger group or class. An example is a typically representative part that demonstrates the character of the whole: "Of the
despotism to which unrestrained military power leads we have plenty of examples from Alexander to Mao" (Samuel Eliot Morison). An instance is an example that is cited to prove or illustrate a point: offered the statistics as an instance of why the penal system needed to be overhauled. A case is an example belonging to a particular category: a case of life imitating art. An
illustration clarifies or explains: "[The author] has provided an illustration of a first-rate experimental mind at work" (Richard Bernstein). Specimen often denotes an individual, representative member of a group or class: This poem is an excellent specimen of her work.American Heritage® Dictionary of the English Language, Fifth Edition. Copyright © 2016 by Houghton Mifflin
Harcourt Publishing Company. Published by Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Publishing Company. All rights reserved. (ɪɡˈzɑːmpəl) n1. a specimen or instance that is typical of the group or set of which it forms part; sample2. a person, action, thing, etc, that is worthy of imitation; pattern: you must set an example to the younger children. 3. a precedent, illustration of a principle, or
model: an example in a maths book. 4. a punishment or the recipient of a punishment serving or intended to serve as a warning: the headmaster made an example of him. 5. for example as an illustration; for instancevb (tr; now usually passive) to present an example of; exemplify[C14: from Old French, from Latin exemplum pattern, from eximere to take out, from ex-1 + emere
to purchase]Collins English Dictionary – Complete and Unabridged, 12th Edition 2014 © HarperCollins Publishers 1991, 1994, 1998, 2000, 2003, 2006, 2007, 2009, 2011, 2014 (ɪɡˈzæm pəl, -ˈzɑm-) n., v. -pled, -pling. n. 1. one of a number of things, or a part of something, taken to show the character of the whole. 2. a pattern or model, as of something to be imitated or avoided:
to set a good example. 3. an instance serving for illustration; specimen. 4. an instance illustrating a rule or method, as a mathematical problem proposed for solution. 5. an instance, esp. of punishment, serving as a warning to others. 6. a precedent; parallel case: an action without example. v.t. 7. to give or be an example of; exemplify (used in the passive). [1350–1400; Middle
English exa(u)mple < Middle French example < Latin exemplum, akin to eximere to take out; see exempt] Random House Kernerman Webster's College Dictionary, © 2010 K Dictionaries Ltd. Copyright 2005, 1997, 1991 by Random House, Inc. All rights reserved. of masters: a company of masters—Bk. of St. Albans, 1486.Dictionary of Collective Nouns and Group Terms.
Copyright 2008 The Gale Group, Inc. All rights reserved.1. 'example'If something has the typical features of a particular kind of thing, you can say that it is an example of that kind of thing.It's a very fine example of traditional architecture.This is yet another example of poor management.When someone mentions an example of a particular kind of thing, you say that they are
giving an example of that kind of thing.Could you give me an example?Let me give you an example of the sort of thing that happens.Be Careful!Don't say that someone 'says an example'.2. 'for example'When you mention an example of something, you often say for example.Switzerland, for example, has four official languages.There must be some discipline in the home. For
example, I do not allow my daughter to play with my computer.Be Careful!Don't say 'by example'.Collins COBUILD English Usage © HarperCollins Publishers 1992, 2004, 2011, 2012Past participle: exampledGerund: examplingImperativePresentPreteritePresent ContinuousPresent PerfectPast ContinuousPast PerfectFutureFuture PerfectFuture ContinuousPresent Perfect
ContinuousFuture Perfect ContinuousPast Perfect ContinuousConditionalPast ConditionalCollins English Verb Tables © HarperCollins Publishers 2011 Noun1.example - an item of information that is typical of a class or group; "this patient provides a typical example of the syndrome"; "there is an example on page 10"instance, illustration, representativeinformation - knowledge
acquired through study or experience or instructionapology, excuse - a poor example; "it was an apology for a meal"; "a poor excuse for an automobile"exception - an instance that does not conform to a rule or generalization; "all her children were brilliant; the only exception was her last child"; "an exception tests the rule"quintessence - the most typical example or
representative of a typesample - a small part of something intended as representative of the wholespecimen - an example regarded as typical of its class2.example - a representative form or pattern; "I profited from his example"loadstar, lodestar - something that serves as a model or guideepitome, prototype, paradigm, image - a standard or typical example; "he is the prototype
of good breeding"; "he provided America with an image of the good father"microcosm - a miniature model of somethingarchetype, original, pilot - something that serves as a model or a basis for making copies; "this painting is a copy of the original"template, templet, guide - a model or standard for making comparisonsprefiguration - an example that prefigures or foreshadows
what is to come3.example - something to be imitated; "an exemplar of success"; "a model of clarity"; "he is the very model of a modern major general"exemplar, good example, modelideal - the idea of something that is perfect; something that one hopes to attainbeaut, beauty - an outstanding example of its kind; "his roses were beauties"; "when I make a mistake it's a
beaut"pacemaker, pacesetter - a leading instance in its field; "the new policy will be a pacesetter in community relations"pattern - a model considered worthy of imitation; "the American constitution has provided a pattern for many republics"prodigy - an impressive or wonderful example of a particular quality; "the Marines are expected to perform prodigies of valor"4.example -
punishment intended as a warning to others; "they decided to make an example of him"deterrent example, object lesson, lessonadmonition, word of advice, monition, warning - cautionary advice about something imminent (especially imminent danger or other unpleasantness); "a letter of admonition about the dangers of immorality"; "the warning was to beware of surprises";
"his final word of advice was not to play with matches"5.example - an occurrence of something; "it was a case of bad judgment"; "another instance occurred yesterday"; "but there is always the famous example of the Smiths"happening, natural event, occurrence, occurrent - an event that happenshumiliation, mortification - an instance in which you are caused to lose your
prestige or self-respect; "he had to undergo one humiliation after another"bit, piece - an instance of some kind; "it was a nice piece of work"; "he had a bit of good luck"time, clip - an instance or single occasion for some event; "this time he succeeded"; "he called four times"; "he could do ten at a clip"6.example - a task performed or problem solved in order to develop skill or
understanding; "you must work the examples at the end of each chapter in the textbook"lesson - a task assigned for individual study; "he did the lesson for today"Based on WordNet 3.0, Farlex clipart collection. © 2003-2012 Princeton University, Farlex Inc.noun1. instance, specimen, case, sample, illustration, case in point, particular case, particular instance, typical case,
exemplification, representative case, xample (S.M.S.) examples of sexism and racism in the police force2. illustration, model, ideal, standard, norm, precedent, pattern, prototype, paradigm, archetype, paragon, exemplar, xample (S.M.S.) This piece is a perfect example of symphonic construction.3. warning, lesson, caution, deterrent, admonition, xample (S.M.S.) We were
punished as an example to others.for example as an illustration, like, such as, for instance, to illustrate, by way of illustration, exempli gratia (Latin), e.g., to cite an instance You could, for example, walk instead of taking the car.Proverbs"Practise what you preach"Collins Thesaurus of the English Language – Complete and Unabridged 2nd Edition. 2002 © HarperCollins
Publishers 1995, 2002noun3. A closely similar case in existence or in the past:4. An instance that warns or discourages prospective imitators: The American Heritage® Roget's Thesaurus. Copyright © 2013, 2014 by Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Publishing Company. Published by Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Publishing Company. All rights reserved. مِثالمِثّالمِثال ،ل
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1997, 1999, 2004, 2005, 2007Collins Italian Dictionary 1st Edition © HarperCollins Publishers 1995 (igˈza:mpl) noun1. something that represents other things of the same kind; a specimen. an example of his handwriting. voorbeeld تَموذَج мостра exemplo vzorek, ukázka das Beispiel eksempel δείγμαejemplo näidis نمونه ote spécimenדוגמה □□□□□□ primjer, uzorak minta(darab)
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others. The judge decided to make an example of the young thief and sent him to prison for five years. as 'n voorbeeld laat dien يَجْعَلُه مَثَلا ل، يُعاقِب наказвам за назидание tornar um exemplo exemplárně potrestat ein Exempel statuieren statuere et eksempel τιμωρώ παραδειγματικά dar un castigo ejemplar teistele hoiatuseks karistama مایه عبرت دیگران کردن tehdä varoittava esimerkk
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an example to act in such a way that other people will copy one's behaviour. Teachers must set a good example to their pupils. 'n voorbeeld stel يَكونُ مَثَلا يُحْتَذى давам пример dar exemplo dávat příklad ein gutes Beispiel geben lade være til eksempel; foregå med et godt eksempel δίνω το παράδειγμα dar buen ejemplo heaks eeskujuks olema سرمشق دیگران شدن toimia esikuvana don
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добрий приклад مثال قائم کرنا nêu gương tốt 树立榜样Kernerman English Multilingual Dictionary © 2006-2013 K Dictionaries Ltd. → مِثال příklad eksempel Beispiel παράδειγμα ejemplo esimerkki exemple primjer esempio 例 □ voorbeeld eksempel przykład exemplo пример exempel □□□□□□□□ örnek ví dụ 例子Multilingual Translator © HarperCollins Publishers 2009English-Spanish Me
Dictionary © Farlex 2012 Want to thank TFD for its existence? Tell a friend about us, add a link to this page, or visit the webmaster's page for free fun content. Link to this page: "Pray, mother," said the young one, "do but set the example yourself, and I will follow you."Of the first, those that had an humble origin and rose to the greatness they still preserve, the Ottoman house
may serve as an example, which from an humble and lowly shepherd, its founder, has reached the height at which we now see it.But as a more concise, and at the same time equally satisfactory, evidence, I will refer to the example of two States, attested by two unexceptionable authorities.Here we have an example from everyday, commonplace life.But even as expounded by its
author it does not explain, and in truth is incompatible with some incidents of, the occurrences related in these memoranda: for example, the sound of Charles Ashmore's voice.* How, for example, can we obtain such knowledge as the following: "If we look at, say, a red nose and perceive it, and after a little while ekphore, its memory-image, we note immediately how unlike, in
its likeness, this memory-image is to the original perception" (A."I don't care who knows it -- I think we are both of us shamefully ill-used!" With those words, the young lady followed her sister's example by seating herself on a hall chair and looking aimlessly out through the open house door."These STRULDBRUGS and I would mutually communicate our observations and
memorials, through the course of time; remark the several gradations by which corruption steals into the world, and oppose it in every step, by giving perpetual warning and instruction to mankind; which, added to the strong influence of our own example, would probably prevent that continual degeneracy of human nature so justly complained of in all ages.The deeds of
Gogoomy and his fellows had been a bad example for the one hundred and fifty new recruits.Let us suppose an inhabitant of some remote and superior region, yet unskilled in the ways of men, having read and considered the precepts of the gospel, and the example of our Saviour, to come down in search of the true church: if he would not inquire after it among the cruel, the
insolent, and the oppressive; among those who are continually grasping at dominion over souls as well as bodies; among those who are employed in procuring to themselves impunity for the most enormous villainies, and studying methods of destroying their fellow-creatures, not for their crimes but their errors; if he would not expect to meet benevolence, engage in massacres,
or to find mercy in a court of inquisition, he would not look for the true church in the Church of Rome.As the number of the sides increases, a Polygon approximates to a Circle; and, when the number is very great indeed, say for example three or four hundred, it is extremely difficult for the most delicate touch to feel any polygonal angles.But when the tragic incident occurs
between those who are near or dear to one another--if, for example, a brother kills, or intends to kill, a brother, a son his father, a mother her son, a son his mother, or any other deed of the kind is done these are the situations to be looked for by the poet. nounIdioms jump to other results something such as an object, a fact or a situation that shows, explains or supports what
you sayLet me give you an example.It is important to cite examples to support your argument.to provide/offer an exampleI shall take four different examples from contemporary literature to illustrate my point. example of something Can you show me an example of what you mean?This dictionary has many examples of how words are used.Just to give you an example of his
generosity—he gave me his old car and wouldn't take any money for it.The progress the students have made serves as an example of the benefit of small class sizes.By way of example, we'll look at our most recent advertising campaign. Language Bank e.g.e.g.Giving examplesThe website has a variety of interactive exercises (e.g. matching games, crosswords and quizzes).The
website has a variety of interactive exercises, including matching games, crosswords and quizzes.Internet technologies, such as wikis, blogs and social networking sites, have changed the way that people find information and interact with it.Many websites allow users to contribute information. A good example of this is the ‘wiki’, a type of website that anyone can edit.Wikis vary
in how open they are. For example, some wikis allow anybody to edit content, while others only allow registered users to do this.Wikis vary in how open they are. Some wikis, for example/for instance, allow anybody to edit content, while others only allow registered users to do this.More and more people read their news on the internet. To take one example, over 14 million
people now read the online version of ‘The Oxford Herald’.Online newspapers are now more popular than paper ones. ‘The Oxford Herald’ is a case in point. Its print circulation has fallen in recent years, while its website attracts millions of users every month.WordfinderExtra ExamplesConsider the following example…He uses a number of historical examples to support his
thesis.Let me give a concrete example of what I mean.The book is full of practical examples of classroom activities.The leaflet includes several examples of bad grammar.The teacher in our example is clearly wrong.These examples suggest that there is a connection between the two processes.This is far from an isolated example.To take an obvious example, if there is a good
harvest the price of grain will fall.Twenty-seven examples are presented in this video.We can still find examples of discrimination today.We've seen other examples of this same problem recently.a book filled with real-life examples that anyone can relate toa telling example of how difficult it can be to succeed in businessthe example shown in Figure 2Oxford Collocations
Dictionaryadjectivecharacteristicclassicprime…verb + examplegive somebodyofferprovide (somebody with)…example + verbdemonstrate somethinghighlight somethingillustrate something…prepositionfor examplein an/the exampleexample of…See full entry example (of something) a thing that is typical of or represents a particular group or setThis is a good example of the
artist's early work.It is a perfect example of this type of architecture.Japan is often quoted as the prime example of a modern industrial nation.It is a classic example of how not to design a new city centre.Synonyms exampleexamplecase ▪ instance ▪ specimen ▪ illustrationThese are all words for a thing or situation that is typical of a particular group or set, and is sometimes
used to support an argument.example something such as an object, a fact or a situation that shows, explains or supports what you say; a thing that is typical of or represents a particular group or set:Can you give me an example of what you mean?case a particular situation or a situation of a particular type; a situation that relates to a particular person or thing:In some cases
people have had to wait several weeks for an appointment.instance (rather formal) a particular situation or a situation of a particular type:The report highlights a number of instances of injustice.specimen an example of something, especially an animal or plant:The aquarium has some interesting specimens of unusual tropical fish.illustration (rather formal) a story, an event or
an example that clearly shows the truth about something:The statistics are a clear illustration of the point I am trying to make. example or illustration?An illustration is often used to show that something is true. An example is used to help to explain something.Patternsa(n) example/case/instance/specimen/illustration of somethingin a particular case/instancefor example/
instanceExtra ExamplesThe film was held up as an example of good cinema.This is a classic example of a badly designed building.This is among the worst examples of corporate greed.a magnificent example of 18th-century architectureHis treatment of his secretary was a blatant example of managerial arrogance.Oxford Collocations
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example to us all. example for somebody He sets an example for the other students. example of something They are a shining example of the best of the human spirit. by example He is a captain who leads by example.Top management should be seen to lead by example.Oxford Collocations Dictionaryadjectiveverb + exampleprepositionphrasesmake an example of somebodySee
full entry a person’s behaviour, either good or bad, that other people copyIt would be a mistake to follow his example.They started to plan protests, inspired by the example of their neighbours.Oxford Collocations Dictionaryadjectiveverb + exampleprepositionphrasesmake an example of somebodySee full entry Word Originlate Middle English: from Old French, from Latin
exemplum, from eximere ‘take out’, from ex- ‘out’ + emere ‘take’. Compare with sample.Idioms used to emphasize something that explains or supports what you are saying; used to give an example of what you are sayingThere is a similar word in many languages, for example in French and Italian.The report is incomplete; it does not include sales in France, for example.It is
possible to combine computer science with other subjects, for example physics.An athlete, for example, might turn the pedals 80 times a minute.Language Bank e.g.e.g.Giving examplesThe website has a variety of interactive exercises (e.g. matching games, crosswords and quizzes).The website has a variety of interactive exercises, including matching games, crosswords and
quizzes.Internet technologies, such as wikis, blogs and social networking sites, have changed the way that people find information and interact with it.Many websites allow users to contribute information. A good example of this is the ‘wiki’, a type of website that anyone can edit.Wikis vary in how open they are. For example, some wikis allow anybody to edit content, while
others only allow registered users to do this.Wikis vary in how open they are. Some wikis, for example/for instance, allow anybody to edit content, while others only allow registered users to do this.More and more people read their news on the internet. To take one example, over 14 million people now read the online version of ‘The Oxford Herald’.Online newspapers are now
more popular than paper ones. ‘The Oxford Herald’ is a case in point. Its print circulation has fallen in recent years, while its website attracts millions of users every month. make an example of somebody to punish somebody as a warning to others not to do the same thingThe teacher made an example of him by suspending him from school. See example in the Oxford Advanced
American DictionarySee example in the Oxford Learner's Dictionary of Academic English From Middle English example, from Old French essample (French: exemple), from Latin exemplum (“literally what is taken out (as a sample), a sample, pattern, specimen, copy for imitation, etc.”), from eximō (“take out”), from ex (“out”) + emō (“buy; acquire”); see exempt. Compare
ensample, sample, exemplar. Displaced native Middle English bisne, forbus, forbusen (“example, model, template, exemplar”) (from Old English bīsen, forebīsen, forebȳsen (“example, model, template, exemplar”)) and Middle English byspel (“example, proverb”) (from Old English bīspel). From Wiktionary Middle English from Old French example, essaumple from Latin
exemplum from eximere to take out ex- ex- emere to take em- in Indo-European roots From American Heritage Dictionary of the English Language, 5th Edition as in instance, modelView definitions for exampleExamples have not been reviewed.A June 20 letter to a senior California official cited, as one of several examples, sample wording from a middle school lesson:From time
to time, the drivers - particularly George Russell, in his role as a director of the Grand Prix Drivers' Association - make their displeasure known over a particular topic, for example the ban on swearing.During Jane's testimony, for example, they attempted to paint the witness as someone who at times appeared to be acting with agency in her relationship with Mr Combs, Mr
Epner said.On 17 June, for example, Russia carried out its deadliest attack on Kyiv in months, hitting residential buildings and, according to Ukrainian authorities, killing at least 28 people."They'd love to be in the same class of companies like, say, Nintendo, for example. It's been around more than 100 years."From Roget's 21st Century Thesaurus, Third Edition Copyright ©
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