overstate Apresyan (En-Ru)

[,evve'steit] V преувеличивать

to overstate one's case - допускать преувеличение при аргументации, преувеличивать

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over-state [overstate overstates overstated overstating] BrE [,euve'stert] verb~ sth NAmE [,ouver'stert]

to say sth in a way that makes it seem more important than it really is

Syn: †exaggerate

- He tends to **overstate his case** when talking politics.
- The seriousness of the crime cannot be overstated .
- · Her musical talent has been a little overstated.

Opp: †understate

<u>Derived Word</u> †overstatement

Verb forms: verb forms

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present simple	
I / you / we /they	overstate
	BrE / ,acva 'stest/
	NAmE / ,oover 'stert/
he / she /it	overstates
	BrE / , acrya 'stests/
	NAmE / , oover 'sterts/
past simple, past participle	overstated
	BrE / , eove 'stestad/
	NAmE / , oover 'stertid/
-ing form	overstating
	BrE / , acva 'stertin/
	NAmE / , oover "stertin/

Example Bank:

· The seriousness of the crime cannot be overstated.

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Longman DOCE 5th Ed. (En-En)

Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

over state / əʊvəˈsteɪt \$ ˌoʊvər-/ BrE * AmE * verb [transitive]

[Word Family: verb: ↑state, ↑understate ≠ ↑overstate; noun: ↑statement, ↑understatement ≠ ↑overstatement, adjective: †understated ≠OVERSTATED]

to talk about something in a way that makes it seem more important, serious etc than it really is SYN exaggerate OPP understate:

- To say that all motorists speed in residential areas is overstating the case.
- The importance of a child's early years cannot be overstated (=is very important).
- **-overstatement** *noun* [uncountable and countable]:
 - It's an overstatement to say that the man's a fool.

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- exaggerate to say that something is much bigger, better, worse, more important etc than it really is: He exaggerated his own achievements. | These claims are wildly exaggerated. | The grass in the garden was about three feet high - I'm not exaggerating.
- blow something (up) out of all proportion to say a situation or event is a lot worse or much more serious than it really is: The problem really has been blown up out of all proportion.
- make too much of something to treat something that has happened as though it were more important or serious than it really is - used especially when saying that you should not do this: She loved the fact that he'd sent her flowers, but she didn't want to make too much of it in case it meant nothing. I It's probably nothing - children often get these strange ideas. You shouldn't make too much of them
- overemphasize (also overemphasise British English) to say that a part of something is more important and has a bigger effect than is really true, especially in relation to other things: The importance of cleanliness in the preparation of food cannot be overemphasized. Historians have tended to overemphasize the role of the monarchy in British history.
- overstate to describe something in a way that makes it sound more important or serious than it really is: Sometimes she overstates her case. | The importance of advertising can hardly be overstated.
- overplay to make something seem more important than it is, in the way that you talk about it or treat it: The media has greatly overplayed this issue.
- glorify to make someone or something seem much better, less harmful etc than they really are used when you think it is wrong to do this: His films glorify violence. | My father never glorified war. | These images were produced in order to glorify the
- talk something up informal to talk about something in a way that makes it appear more important, interesting, or successful than it really is, especially to get someone's support or interest: At the interview, he talked up his experience of working in sales. I The government tried to talk up the threat posed by these countries, in order to justify an increase in military spending.
- overrated adjective if you think someone or something is overrated, you think they are not nearly as good as people claim: think her books are overrated. As a player he's overrated.
- idealized adjective an idealized image, view, picture etc of someone or something shows them as being much better than they really are: His books give an idealized picture of English rural life. I her friend's idealized view of marriage

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