

imitation[ˌɪmɪˈteɪʃ(ə)n] *n*

- 1) подражание, копирование, имитация
an example for imitation - пример для подражания
imitation is the sincerest form of flattery - подражание - лучший комплимент
in imitation of Horace - в подражание Горацию
- 2) копирование, передразнивание
to give an imitation of smb. - изображать /передразнивать/ кого-л.
he has a great power of imitation - у него прекрасные подражательные способности
2. 1) имитация, подделка; суррогат
the gem is a good imitation - это хорошая подделка под драгоценный камень
- 2) копия
an imitation of Rembrandt's well-known picture - копия известной картины Рембрандта
3. *муз.* имитация
4. *биол.* подражательная окраска

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imi-ta-tion [imitation imitations] *BrE* [ˌɪmɪˈteɪʃn] ^o *NAmE* [ˌɪmɪˈteɪʃn] ^o **noun**

1. **countable** a copy of sth, especially sth expensive
 - a **poor/cheap imitation** of the real thing
 - This latest production is a **pale imitation** of the original (= it is not nearly as good) .
 - imitation leather/pearls
 2. **uncountable** the act of copying sb/sth
 - A child learns to talk by imitation.
 - Many corporate methods have been adopted by American managers **in imitation of** Japanese practice.
 3. **countable** an act of copying the way sb talks and behaves, especially to make people laugh
- Syn:** ↑impersonation, **Syn:** ↑impression
- He **does an imitation of** Barack Obama.

Word Origin:late Middle English: from Latin *imitatio(n-)*, from the verb *imitari*; related to *imago* 'image' .Synonyms:**artificial**

synthetic • false • man-made • fake • imitation

These words all describe things that are not real, or not naturally produced or grown.

artificial • made or produced to copy sth natural; not real: ▫ artificial flowers ◇▫ artificial light**synthetic** • made by combining chemical substances rather than being produced naturally by plants or animals: ▫ synthetic drugs
◇▫ shoes with synthetic soles**false** • not natural: ▫ false teeth ◇▫ a false beard**man-made** • made by people; not natural: ▫ man-made fibres such as nylon**fake** • made to look like sth else; not real: ▫ a fake-fur jacket**imitation** • [only before noun] made to look like sth else; not real: ▫ She would never wear imitation pearls.artificial/synthetic/man-made **fabrics/fibres/materials/products**artificial/synthetic/fake/imitation **fur/leather**artificial/synthetic/false/fake/imitation **diamonds/pearls**Example Bank:

- She would never wear imitation pearls.
- Accept no cheap imitations of our product!
- Children are seen as learning to write by direct imitation of adult models.
- He does a perfect imitation of a turkey.
- He does a very good imitation of George W. Bush.
- The poems, some in imitation of Ossian, are graceful if unremarkable.
- Their version of jazz funk is a pale imitation of the real thing.
- They are mere imitations of existing products.
- a voice that's a close imitation of a snake hiss
- Many tourists cannot tell the difference between authentic Indian craftwork and imported imitations.
- The remake is a pale imitation of the original 1966 film.
- a poor imitation
- a poor/cheap/pale/second-rate imitation
- an imitation sword/firearm/gun/bomb
- imitation fur/gold/leather/marble/silk/pearls

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im-ita-tion /ˌɪməˈteɪʃən/, ˌɪmɪˈteɪʃən/ *BrE* ^o *AmE* ^o **noun**

1. [**uncountable and countable**] when you copy someone else's actions
by imitation
Many people think that children learn language by imitation.

" The remake of 'Casablanca' was a pale imitation (=something that is much less good than the thing it imitates) of the original movie.

2. [countable] when you copy the way someone speaks or behaves, especially in order to be funny **SYN impression:**

" She acted, she danced, she did imitations.

imitation of

" his imitation of an American accent

3. [countable] a copy of something

imitation of

" She wore an imitation of a sailor's hat.

imitation fur/pearls/silk/leather etc (=something that looks like an expensive material but is a copy of it)

" an imitation fur coat

imitation

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