

illusion[iˈluːz(ə)n] *n*

1. 1) иллюзия
optical illusion - оптическая иллюзия, обман зрения
illusion of the senses - обман чувств
to create the illusion of reality - создать впечатление реальности
- 2) мираж; призрак
2. иллюзия, заблуждение, несбыточная мечта
to indulge in illusions - предаваться иллюзиям, строить/создавать себе/ иллюзии
to be under an illusion that ... - обольщаться мыслью о том, что ...
I have no illusions on this point - у меня нет никаких иллюзий на этот счёт
to cherish an illusion - питать иллюзии, обольщаться надеждой
to destroy /to dispel/ illusions - рассеять иллюзии
it is an illusion to believe that ... - было бы заблуждением считать, что ...
it produces the illusion that ... - это создаёт ложное впечатление, что ...
3. ткань «иллюзион», тонкая прозрачная кисея, тюль

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il·lu·sion [illusion illusions] *BrE* [iˈluːʒən] *NAmE* [iˈluːʒn] *noun*

1. **countable, uncountable** a false idea or belief, especially about sb or about a situation
 - She's **under the illusion that** (= believes wrongly that) she'll get the job.
 - The new president **has no illusions** about the difficulties facing her country (= she knows that the country has serious problems) .
 - I **have no illusions** about her feelings for me (= I know the truth is that she does not love me) .
 - He could no longer distinguish between illusion and reality.
 - I don't want to have my illusions shattered!
2. **countable** something that seems to exist but in fact does not, or seems to be sth that it is not
 - Mirrors in a room often give an illusion of space.
 - The idea of absolute personal freedom is an illusion.

Word Origin:

Middle English (in the sense 'deceiving, deception'): via Old French from Latin *illu(sio)n-*, from *illudere* 'to mock', from *in-* 'against' + *ludere* 'play' .

Thesaurus:**illusion** *noun C*

- They created the illusion of being a happy family.

myth • • **false impression** • • **delusion** • • **misunderstanding** • • **the wrong idea** • • **misconception** • • **fallacy** •

an illusion/a myth/a delusion/a misunderstanding/the wrong idea/a misconception/a fallacy **about** sb/sth

the illusion/myth/false impression/delusion/misunderstanding/misconception/fallacy **that...**

under an illusion/false impression/delusion

Example Bank:

- I don't want to give him any false illusions.
- I never had any grand illusions of winning.
- I think I have lost all the illusions I had left.
- It turned out that their happy marriage was all an illusion.
- Now is the time to shed our illusions.
- She had no illusions about her attractiveness to men.
- The figure was only a trick of light, a mere illusion.
- The huge size of the vehicle gives the illusion of safety.
- The road ahead looks wet, but in fact this is an optical illusion.
- The slogan provides the comforting illusion that something is being done.
- They are trying to maintain the illusion that the company is in good shape.
- They are under no illusions about the difficulties ahead of them.
- To believe you have nothing more to learn is a dangerous illusion.
- Within the first week at college all my illusions were shattered.
- Don't have any illusions that they're here to help you.
- He could no longer tell the difference between illusion and reality.
- He's under the illusion that he will get the job.
- I have no illusions about her feelings for me.
- Meeting my hero in real life really shattered all my illusions about him.
- They wanted to create the illusion of being a close, happy family.
- To believe that you're safe is a dangerous illusion.

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[Date: 1300-1400; Language: French; Origin: Latin *illu(sio)*, from *illudere* 'to make fun of', from *ludere* 'to play']

1. an idea or opinion that is wrong, especially about yourself ⇒ **delusion**

illusion that

They suffer from the illusion that they cannot solve their problems.

She was under no illusion that he loved her.

It is an illusion that the Arctic is dark in winter.

She had no illusions about her physical attractiveness.

'I hate to shatter your illusions,' he said.

2. something that seems to be different from the way it really is

illusion of

He was unlikely to be satisfied with the illusion of power.

give/create an illusion

The mirrors in the room gave an illusion of greater space.

Credit creates the illusion that you can own things without paying for them.

⇒ **↑optical illusion**

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■ something that is untrue

▪ **myth** something a lot of people believe because they want to believe it, not because it is based on fact: The first myth about motherhood is that new mothers instantly fall in love with their babies. | Contrary to popular myth, our streets are much safer now than they were 100 years ago.

▪ **illusion** a belief or idea that is false, especially a belief in something good about yourself or about the situation you are in: Alcohol gives people the illusion of being witty and confident. | People bought the land under the illusion that the value would increase.

▪ **misconception** an idea that is not true but which people believe because they do not have all the facts, or they have not properly understood the situation: It's a common misconception that vaccinations given in childhood last for life. | Employers seem to share the general misconception that young people are more efficient than older workers.

▪ **delusion** a completely mistaken idea, which affects your behaviour and what you decide to do: He began to suffer from paranoid delusions. | Many people labour under the delusion (=have the delusion) that anything which says 'natural ingredients' on the label must be harmless. | the delusion that women control most of the world's wealth and power

▪ **fallacy** if you say that something is a fallacy, you mean that it is completely wrong to believe that it is true: The idea that a good night's sleep will cure everything is a complete fallacy. | It's a fallacy that all fat people are fat simply because they eat too much.

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