

fiasco [fi'æskəʃ] *n* (*pl* -os, -oes [-{fi'æsk}əvz])

1. провал, неудача, фиаско

the new play was a fiasco - новая пьеса провалилась

the conference ended in a fiasco - конференция закончилась провалом /фиаско/

2. оплетённая бутылка (для итальянского вина)

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fi·asco [fi'æskoʊ] *BrE* [fi'æskəʊ] *AmE* [fi'æskou] *noun* (*pl.* **fi·ascos**, *NAme* also **fi·ascoes**)(*informal*)

something that does not succeed, often in a way that causes embarrassment

Syn: ↑disaster

• The party was a complete fiasco.

• What a fiasco!

Word Origin:mid 19th cent.: from Italian, literally bottle, flask, in the phrase **far fiasco**, literally 'make a bottle', figuratively 'fail in a performance': the reason for the figurative sense is unexplained.Example Bank:

• After the fiasco over the brochures, I decided to take charge of the marketing.

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fi·as·co /fi'æskəʊ \$ -kou/ *BrE* *AmE* *noun* (*plural* **fiascoes** or **fiascos**) [countable]

[Date: 1800-1900; Language: Italian; Origin: (far) fiasco '(to make) a bottle, to fail in a performance']

an event that is completely unsuccessful, in a way that is very embarrassing or disappointing **SYN disaster**:

• The first lecture I ever gave was a complete fiasco.

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THESAURUS

- **failure** *noun* [countable] someone or something that is not successful: The book was a complete failure. | I felt a complete failure.
- **flop** *noun* [countable] *informal* something that is not successful because people do not like it – used especially about a film, play, product, or performance: Despite the hype, the movie was a flop at the box office. | Their next computer was a flop.
- **disaster** *noun* [countable] used when saying that something is extremely unsuccessful: Our first date was a disaster. | Their marriage was a total disaster.
- **fiasco** *noun* [countable usually singular] something that is completely unsuccessful and goes very badly wrong – used especially about things that have been officially planned, which go very wrong: The baggage system broke down on the first day the airport was open. It was a complete fiasco. | The fiasco came close to ending de Gaulle's political career.
- **debacle** *noun* [countable usually singular] *formal* an event or situation that is a complete failure, because it does not happen in the way that it was officially planned: the banking debacle that has put our economy at risk
- **shambles** *noun* [singular] *especially British English* if a situation or event is a shambles, it is completely unsuccessful because it has been very badly planned or organized, and no one seems to know what to do: The first few shows were a shambles, but things soon got better.
- **washout** *noun* [singular] *informal* a failure – used when something is so bad that it would be better if it had not happened: The play wasn't a complete washout; the acting was okay. | His most recent and ambitious project, a big-budget Hollywood film, was a washout with both critics and audiences alike.
- **turkey** *noun* [countable] *informal* something that is so bad and unsuccessful that you think the people involved should be embarrassed about it – a very informal use: At the time most people thought the car was a complete turkey. | Since then he has appeared in a string of turkeys.

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