

## mockery

[ˈmɒk(ə)rɪ] *n*

### 1. 1) осмеяние, издевательство

there was such mockery in his look - в его глазах /взгляде/ была такая насмешка

to hold smb., smth. up to mockery - подвергать кого-л., что-л. осмеянию; высмеивать кого-л., что-л.

don't make a mockery of him - не выставляй его на посмешище

### 2) насмешка, пародия

the medical examination was a mockery - это было всё что угодно, но не медосмотр; ≅ не медосмотр, а смех один

his trial was a mockery of justice - суд над ним был пародией на правосудие

### 2. посмешище

to become a mockery - стать посмешищем

### 3. тщетная, бесплодная попытка

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Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

**mock·ery** [mockery mockeries] *BrE* [ˈmɒkəri] *AmE* [ˈmɑːkəri] *noun*

### 1. uncountable comments or actions that are intended to make sb/sth seem ridiculous

**Syn:** ↑ridicule, **Syn:** ↑scorn

- She couldn't stand any more of their mockery.
- His smile was full of mockery.
- The government has left itself open to mockery and ridicule.

### 2. singular (disapproving) an action, a decision, etc. that is a failure and that is not as it is supposed to be

**Syn:** ↑travesty

- I was a mockery of a trial.

↓ **idiom** ↑make a mockery of something

#### Word Origin:

late Middle English: from Old French *moquerie*, from *moquer* 'to deride'.

#### Example Bank:

- There was a hint of mockery in his voice.
- They left themselves open to mockery from the left-wing press.
- Try to keep the tone one of gentle mockery.

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### 1. make a mockery of something to make something such as a plan or system seem completely useless or ineffective:

This building plan makes a mockery of the government's environmental policy.

### 2. [uncountable] when someone laughs at someone or something or shows that they think they are stupid:

There was a hint of mockery in his voice.

### 3. [singular] something that is completely useless or ineffective:

She said that the trial had been a mockery.

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