



# TRUTHS & LIES

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Truth or lie



Cheat : act dishonestly or unfairly in order to gain an advantage.  
"she always **cheats at cards**"

Deceive: deliberately cause (someone) to believe something that is not true, especially for personal gain.  
"I didn't intend to **deceive** people into thinking it was French champagne"

Disguise: give (someone or oneself) a different appearance in order to conceal one's identity.  
"we took elaborate measures to **disguise ourselves as locals**"

distort: give a misleading or false account or impression of.  
"many factors can **distort** the results"

Exaggerate: represent (something) as being larger, better, or worse than it really is.  
"he was apt to **exaggerate** any aches and pains"

Fabricate: invent (something) in order to deceive.  
"officers fabricated evidence"

fib: a lie, typically an unimportant one.  
"why did you tell him such a dreadful fib?"

fool: trick or deceive (someone).  
"he **fooled** nightclub managers **into** believing he was a successful businessman"

lie: to make an untrue statement with intent to deceive:  
She was lying when she said she didn't break the vase.

Make an excuse: to give a reason for doing something you shouldn't do, or for not doing something you should do.

**Manipulate:** to control or influence someone or something, often in a dishonest way so that they do not realize it manipulate somebody/something She uses her charm to manipulate people. As a politician, he knows how to manipulate public opinion.

**Mislead:** cause (someone) to have a wrong idea or impression.  
"fans believed they were misled about the reasons for the cancellation"

**own up:** admit to having done something wrong or embarrassing.  
"if whoever did it owns up I promise I won't punish them".

**Pass sth/sb off as:** to cause people to wrongly believe that someone or something is someone or something else amateurs passing themselves off as professionals She passed the poem off as her own.

Photoshop: alter (a photographic image) digitally using Photoshop image-editing software.

"the pictures have obviously been Photoshopped"

reveal: make (previously unknown or secret information) known to others.

"Brenda was forced to reveal Robbie's whereabouts"

Swear: make a statement or promise undertaking to do something or affirming that something is the case.

"Maria made me swear I would never tell anyone"

biased: unfairly prejudiced for or against someone or something.

"we will not tolerate this biased media coverage"

Hypocritical: behaving in a way that suggests one has higher standards or more noble beliefs than is the case.

"we don't go to church and we thought it would be hypocritical."

Manipulative: exercising control or influence over a person or situation.

"she was selfish and manipulative"

Unethical: not morally correct.

"it is unethical to torment any creature for entertainment"

