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This piece is a perfect example of symphonic construction.3. warning, lesson, caution, deterrent, admonition, xample (S.M.S.) We were punished as an example to others.for example as an illustration, like, such as, for instance, to illustrate, by way of illustration, exempli gratia (Latin), e.g., to cite an instance You could, for example, walk instead of taking the car.Proverbs'Practise what you preach"Collins Thesaurus of the English Language Complete and Unabridged 2nd Edition. 2002 HarperCollins Publishers 1995, 2002noun 3. A closely similar case in existence or in the past:4. An instance that warns or discourages prospective imitators:The American Heritage Roget's Thesaurus. Copyright 2013, 2014 by Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Publishing Company. Published by Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Publishing Company. 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(A. "I don't care who knows it - I think we are both of us shamefully ill-used!") With those words, the young lady followed her sister's example by seating herself on a hall chair and looking aimlessly out through the open house door: "These STRULDRUGS and I would mutually communicate our observations and memorials, through the course of time; remark the several gradations by which corruption steals into the world, and oppose it in every step, by giving perpetual warning and instruction to mankind; which, added to the strong influence of our own example, would probably prevent that continual degeneracy of human nature so justly complained of in all ages.The deeds of Gooomy and his fellows had been a bad example for the one hundred and fifty new recruits.Let us suppose an inhabitant of some remote and superior region, yet unskilled in the ways of men, having read and considered the precepts of the gospel, and the example of our Saviour, to come down in search of the true church: if he would not inquire after it among the cruel, the insolent, and the oppressive; among those who are continually grasping at dominion over souls as well as bodies; among those who are employed in procuring to themselves impunity for the most enormous villainies, and studying methods of destroying their fellow-creatures, not for their crimes but their errors; if he would not expect to meet benevolence, engage in massacres, or to find mercy in a court of inquisition, he would not look for the true church in the Church of Rome.As the number of the sides increases, a Polygon approximates to a Circle; and, when the number is very great indeed, say for example three or four hundred, it is extremely difficult for the most delicate touch to feel any polygonal angles.But when the tragic incident occurs between those who are near or dear to one another-if, for example, a brother kills, or intends to kill, a brother, a son his father, a mother her son, a son his mother, or any other deed of the kind is done these are the situations to be looked for by the poet, WordReference Random House Learner's Dictionary of American English 2025example/gzmpl|USA pronunciation n.[countable] one of a number of things, or a part of something, that represents the whole thing or whole group.This painting is an example of his early work, a pattern or model, as of something to be imitated or avoided: to set a good example, for example, (used to mean that what follows is an instance or several instances of what has been spoken or written about), for instance:The train I take is always late. 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One serving as a pattern of a specific kind: set a good example by arriving on time.3. A similar case that constitutes a model or precedent: a unique episode, without example in maritime history.4. a. A punishment given as a warning or deterrent: saw the boy's suspension as an example to all students considering breaking the rules.b. One that has been given such a punishment: made an example of the offender.5. A problem or exercise used to illustrate a principle or method.Idiom: for example As an illustrative instance: Wear something simple; for example, a skirt and blouse.[Middle English, from Old French example, essaample, from Latin exemplum, from eximere, to take out : ex- + e- + mere, to take; see em- in Indo-European roots.]Synonyms: example, instance, case,1. illustration, specimen These nouns refer to what is representative of or serves to explain a larger group or class. An example is a typically representative part that demonstrates the character of the whole: "Of the despotism to which unrestrained military power leads we have plenty of examples from Alexander to Mao" (Samuel Eliot Morison). An instance is an example that is cited to prove or illustrate a point: offered the statistics as an instance of why the penal system needed to be overhauled. A case is an example belonging to a particular category: a case of life imitating art. An illustration clarifies or explains: "[The author] has provided an illustration of a first-rate experimental mind at work" (Richard Bernstein). Specimen often denotes an individual, representative member of a group or class: This poem is an excellent specimen of her work.American Heritage Dictionary of the English Language, Fifth Edition. Copyright 2016 by Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Publishing Company. Published by Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Publishing Company. All rights reserved. (zmpl) n.1. a specimen or instance that is typical of the group or set of which it forms part; sample2. a person, action, thing, etc, that is worthy of imitation; pattern: you must set an example to the younger children. 3. a precedent, illustration of a principle, or model: an example in a maths book. 4. a punishment or the recipient of a punishment serving or intended to serve as a warning: the headmaster made an example of him. 5. for example as an illustration; for instance6b (tr; now usually passive) to present an example of, exemplify[C14: from Old French, from Latin exemplum pattern, from eximere to take out, from ex-1 + e- mere to purchase|Collins English Dictionary Complete and Unabridged, 12th Edition 2014 HarperCollins Publishers 1991, 1994, 1998, 2000, 2003, 2006, 2007, 2009, 2011, 2014 (gzm pl, -zm) n., v. -pled, -pling, n. 1. one of a number of things, or a part of something, taken to show the character of the whole. 2. a pattern or model, as of something to be imitated or avoided: to set a good example. 3. an instance serving for illustration; specimen. 4. an instance illustrating a rule or method, as a mathematical problem proposed for solution. 5. an instance, esp. of punishment, serving as a warning to others. 6. a precedent; parallel case: an action without example. v.t. 7. to give or be an example of; exemplify (used in the passive). [13501400; Middle French example < Latin exemplum, akin to eximere to take out; see exmpl| Random House Kernerman Webster's College Dictionary, 2010 K Dictionaries Ltd. Copyright 2005, 1997, 1991 by Random House, Inc. All rights reserved. of masters: a company of mastersBk. of St. Albans, 1486.Dictionary of Collective Nouns and Group Terms. Copyright 2008 The Gale Group, Inc. All rights reserved.1. 'example'If something has the typical features of a particular kind of thing, you can say that it is an example of that kind of thing.It's a very fine example of traditional architecture.This is yet another example of poor management. When someone mentions an example of a particular kind of thing, you say that they are giving an example of that kind of thing.Could you give me an example?Let me give you an example of the sort of thing that happens.Be Careful!Don't say that someone 'says an example'.2. 'for example'When you mention an example of something, you often say for example.Switzerland, for example, has four official languages.There must be some discipline in the home. For example, I do not allow my daughter to play with my computer.Be Careful!Don't say 'by example'.Collins COBUILD English Usage HarperCollins Publishers 1992, 2004, 2011, 2012Past participle: exampl'dGerund: examplingImperativePresentPreteritePresent ContinuousPast PerfectPast ContinuousPast PerfectFuture PerfectFuture ContinuousPresent PerfectContinuousFuture Perfect ContinuousPast ConditionalPast ConditionalCollins English Verb Tables HarperCollins Publishers 2011 Noun 1. example - an item of information that is typical of a class or group: "this patient provides a typical example of the syndrome"; "there is an example on page 10"instance, illustration, representativeinformation - knowledge acquired through study or experience or instructionapology, excuse - a poor example; "it was an apology for a meal"; "a poor excuse for an automobile"exception - an instance that does not conform to a rule or generalization; "all her children were brilliant; the only exception was her last child"; "an exception tests the rule"quintessence - the most typical example or representative of some event; "this time he succeeded"; "he called four times"; "he could do ten at a clip"6.example - a task performed or problem solved in order to develop skill or understanding; "you must work the examples at the end of each chapter in the textbook"lesson - a task assigned for individual study; "he did the lesson for today"Based on WordNet 3.0, Farlex clipart collection. 2003-2012 Princeton University, Farlex Inc.noun 1. instance, specimen, case, sample, illustration, case in point, particular case, particular instance, typical case, exemplification, representative case, xample (S.M.S.) examples of sexism and racism in the police force2. illustration, model, ideal, standard, norm, precedent, pattern, prototype, paradigm, archetype, paragon, exemplar, xample (S.M.S.) This piece is a perfect example of symphonic construction.3. warning, lesson, caution, deterrent, admonition, xample (S.M.S.) We were punished as an example to others.for example as an illustration, like, such as, for instance, to illustrate, by way of illustration, exempli gratia (Latin), e.g., to cite an instance You could, for example, walk instead of taking the car.Proverbs'Practise what you preach"Collins Thesaurus of the English Language Complete and Unabridged 2nd Edition. 2002 HarperCollins Publishers 1995, 2002noun 3. A closely similar case in existence or in the past:4. An instance that warns or discourages prospective imitators:The American Heritage Roget's Thesaurus. Copyright 2013, 2014 by Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Publishing Company. Published by Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Publishing Company. 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Ltd. 1980 HarperCollins Publishers 1991, 1997, 1999, 2004, 2005, 2007Collins Italian Dictionary 1st Edition HarperCollins Publishers 1995 (igzamp) noun 1. something that represents other things of the same kind; a specimen, an example of his handwriting. voorbeeld example vzorek, ukzka das Beispiel eksempel jejmlo nidis oto spcimen primjer, uzorak minta(darab) contoh dmi esempio, campione , pavzdys paraugs contoh staaljeeksempel; eksemplar|rzykad exemplo exemplu, specimen ukxa primer primer por rnek mu 2. something that shows clearly or illustrates a fact etc. Can you give me an example of how this work is used? model exemplo pklad das Beispiel eksempel jejmlo nidis esimerkki eksempel primjer plda contoh dmi esempio , pavzdys pierns contoh voorbeeldeksempel, prverzykad exemplo exemplu pklad zgled primer eksempel rnek, misal v d 3. a person or thing that is a pattern to be copied. She was an example to the rest of the class. voorbeeld exemplo vzor das Vorbild eksempel; forbillede jejmlo eeskuj esikuva exemplo primer plda teladan formdi, fyrirmynd esempio () pavzdys paraugs contoh voorbeeldforbilde, eksempel|wzr exemplo exemplu (pentr) vzor zgled primer fredne rnek|insan|davran ; gng for example (often abbreviated to eg) (idi) for instance; as an example. Several European countries have no sea-coast for example, Switzerland and Austria. byvoorbeeld por exemplo napklad zum Beispiel, beispie|sweise for eksempel; f.eks.; fx por ejemplo niteks esimerkki|pri xample na primer pldu misalnya til dmis pr esempio pavzdui piemram sebagai contoh |bivoorbeeld|for eksempel na przykad por exemplo de exemplu napklad na primer na primer till exempel, exempelvis meen, mesel chng hn make an example of to punish as a warning to others. The judge decided to make an example of the young thief and sent him to prison for five years. as voorbeeld lat dien tornar un ejemplo exemplum potestati ein Exempel statueren statueren et eksempel dar un castigo ejemplar |teistele hoiatuseks karislatna tehd varoitava esimerkki faire un exemple de primo|no kazniti pidisan megnitet vkit menghukum sebagai contoh pada orang yang lain refsa e-m (rum til varnar) dare una punizione esemplare nubausti k, kad bi pamoka kitems sodt kdu par hrdnjumu citiem djaidkan contoh tot voorbeeld stellen straffe til skrokk og advarsel ukzra dla przykadu tornar un exemplo|fazer exemplo em, castigar exemplamente a da o lecie potresta na vstrahu (kaznovati) v svrilen zgled kazniti nekoy za primer statueren et exempel ibret olsun diya ceza vermek , pht al lm gng set (someone) an example to act in such a way that other people will copy one's behaviour. Teachers must set a good example to their pupils. 'n voorbeeld stel dar exemplo dvat pklad ein gutes Beispiel geben lade vre til eksempel; foreg med et godt eksempel dar buen ejemplo heaks eeskujeks olema toimia esikuvana donner l'exemple biti primjerom pldt mutat membri teladan gefa gott formdi dare il buon esempio rodyti pavzrd piemru contoh een voorbeeld geven vre et godt forbilde dawa (komu) przykad dar exemplo a da un exemplu dva pklad dajati zgled dati primer frog med gott exempel rnek olmak nu gng tt Kernerman English Multilingual Dictionary 2006-2013 K Dictionaries Ltd. pklad eksempel Beispiel ejemplo esimerkki exemplo primer esempio voorbeeld eksempel przykad exemplo exempel rnek v d Multilingual Translator HarperCollins Publishers 2009English-Spanish Medical Dictionary Farlex 2012 Want to thank TFD for its existence? Tell a friend about us, add a link to this page, or visit the webmaster's page for free fun content. Link to this page: "Pray, mother," said the young one, "do but set the example yourself, and I will follow you."Of the first, those that had an humble origin and rose to the greatness they still preserve, the Ottoman house may serve as an example, which from an humble and lowly shepherd, its founder, has reached the height at which we now see it.But as a more concise, and at the same time equally satisfactory, evidence, I will refer to the example of two States, attested by two unexceptionable authorities.Here we have an example from everyday, commonplace life.But even as expounded by its author it does not explain, and in truth is incompatible with some incidents of, the occurrences related in these memoranda: for example, the sound of Charles Ashmore's voice.* How, for example, can we obtain such knowledge as the following: "If we look at, say, a red nose and perceive it, and after a little while explore, its memory-image, we note immediately how unlike, in its likeness, this memory-image is to the original perception?" (A. "I don't care who knows it - I think we are both of us shamefully ill-used!") With those words, the young lady followed her sister's example by seating herself on a hall chair and looking aimlessly out through the open house door: "These STRULDRUGS and I would mutually communicate our observations and memorials, through the course of time; remark the several gradations by which corruption steals into the world, and oppose it in every step, by giving perpetual warning and instruction to mankind; which, added to the strong influence of our own example, would probably prevent that continual degeneracy of human nature so justly complained of in all ages.The deeds of Gooomy and his fellows had been a bad example for the one hundred and fifty new recruits.Let us suppose an inhabitant of some remote and superior region, yet unskilled in the ways of men, having read and considered the precepts of the gospel, and the example of our Saviour, to come down in search of the true church: if he would not inquire after it among the cruel, the insolent, and the oppressive; among those who are continually grasping at dominion over souls as well as bodies; among those who are employed in procuring to themselves impunity for the most enormous villainies, and studying methods of destroying their fellow-creatures, not for their crimes but their errors; if he would not expect to meet benevolence, engage in massacres, or to find mercy in a court of inquisition, he would not look for the true church in the Church of Rome.As the number of the sides increases, a Polygon approximates to a Circle; and, when the number is very great indeed, say for example three or four hundred, it is extremely difficult for the most delicate touch to feel any polygonal angles.But when the tragic incident occurs between those who are near or dear to one another-if, for example, a brother kills, or intends to kill, a brother, a son his father, a mother her son, a son his mother, or any other deed of the kind is done these are the situations to be looked for by the poet, WordReference Random House Learner's Dictionary of American English 2025example/gzmpl|USA pronunciation n.[countable] one of a number of things, or a part of something, that represents the whole thing or whole group.This painting is an example of his early work, a pattern or model, as of something to be imitated or avoided: to set a good example, for example, (used to mean that what follows is an instance or several instances of what has been spoken or written about), for instance:The train I take is always late. For example, this morning it was a half an hour late.See -am- The expression for example stays the same if there is one example that follows, or if there are two or more examples:There are several uses for computers.One, for example, is as a word processor (or)There are several uses for computers. For example, they are used as word processors, teaching tools, and reference sources. WordReference Random House Unabridged Dictionary of American English 2025example (g|zmpl, -zm),USA pronunciation.. v., -pled, -pling.n.one of a number of things, or a part of something, taken to show the character of the whole.This painting is an example of his early work, a pattern or model, as of something to be imitated or avoided:to set a good example, an instance serving for illustration; specimen:The case histories gave carefully detailed examples of this disease. Mathematicsan instance illustrating a rule or method, as a mathematical problem proposed for solution, an instance, esp. of punishment, serving as a warning to others:Public executions were meant to be examples to the populace. a precedent; parallel case:an action without example. v.t.[Rare.]to give or be an example of; exemplify (used in the passive). Latin, as above Latin exemplum, akin to eximere to take out (ex- ex-1 + e- mere to buy, origin, originally take); replacing Middle English example Middle French example Middle English exa(umple 13501400 1. Example, sample, specimen refer to an individual phenomenon taken as representative of a type, or to a part representative of the whole. Example is used of an object, condition, etc., that is assumed to illustrate a certain principle or standard:a good example of baroque architecture.Sample refers to a small portion of a substance or to a single representative of a group or type that is intended to show what the rest of the substance or the group is like:a sample of yarn.Specimen usually suggests that the "sample" chosen is intended to serve a scientific or technical purpose:a blood specimen; zoological specimens. 2. Seesideal 3. Seecase1. 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