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libertinage ('liber,tinage) or libertinism ('libertin,ism) NOUN

Word origin

C14 (in the sense: freedman, dissolute person): from Latin *ltberttnus* freedman, from *hbertus* freed, from *hber* free

libertine

in American English

('lıbər tin ◀୬); 'lıbərtın ◀୬)

NOUN

- **1.** in ancient Rome, a person who had been freed from slavery
- 2. a person, esp. a man, who leads an unrestrained, sexually immoral life; rake
- **3.** Archaic
 - a freethinker

ADJECTIVE

4. morally unrestrained; licentious

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Derived forms

libertinism ('liber,tin,ism) NOUN or 'liber,tinage

Word origin

ME *libertyn* < L *libertinus* < *libertus*, freedman < *liber*, free: see liberal; (sense 2) prob. via Fr *libertin*

libertine

in American English

('lıbər tin, -tın)

NOUN

- 1. a person who is morally or sexually unrestrained, esp. a dissolute man; a profligate; rake
- 2. a freethinker in religious matters
- 3. a person freed from slavery in ancient Rome

ADJECTIVE

- 4. free of moral, esp. sexual, restraint; dissolute; licentious
- 5. freethinking in religious matters
- 6. archaic

unrestrained; uncontrolled

SYNONYMS

1. roué, debauchee, lecher, sensualist. 4. amoral, sensual, lascivious, lewd.

ANTONYMS

1. prude.

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Word origin

[1350–1400; ME *libertyn* < L *lībertī nus* of a freedman (adj.), freedman (n.), equiv. to *lt bert(us)* freedman (appar. by reanalysis of *liber-tas* LIBERTY as *libert-as*) + $-i nus - INE^{1}$]

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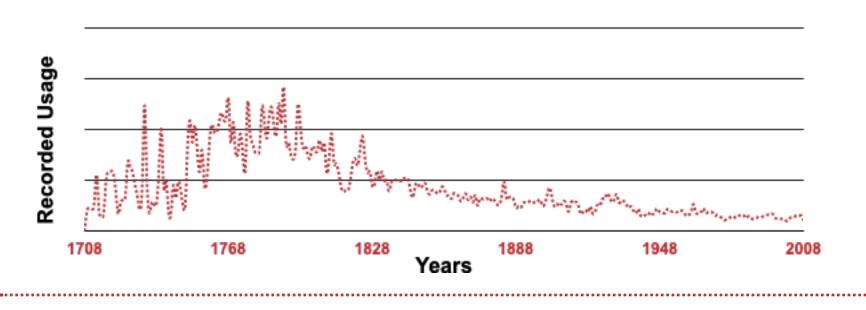
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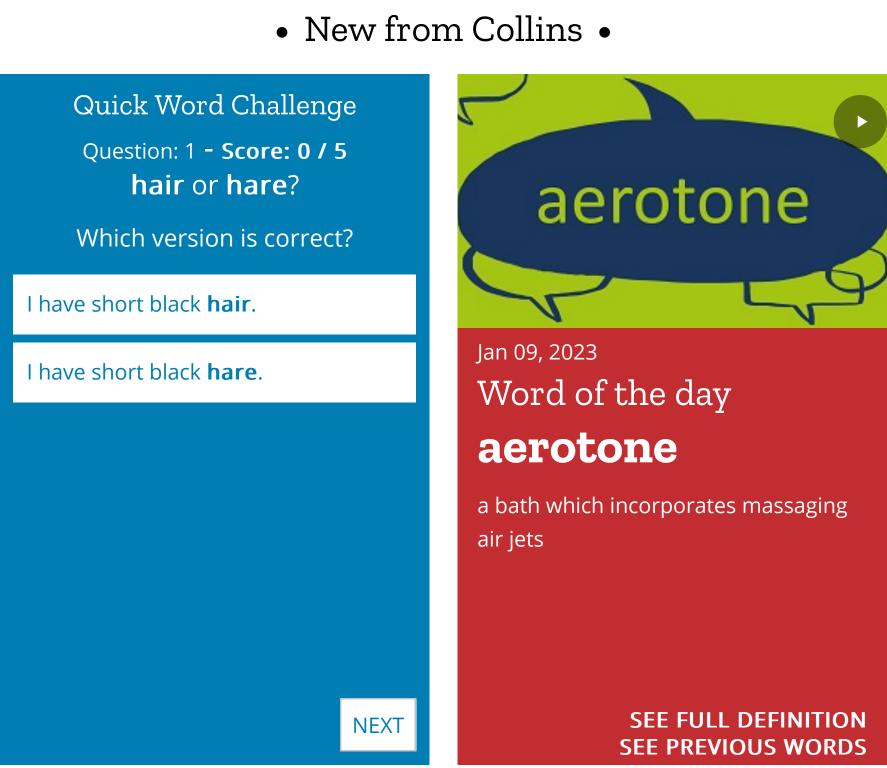
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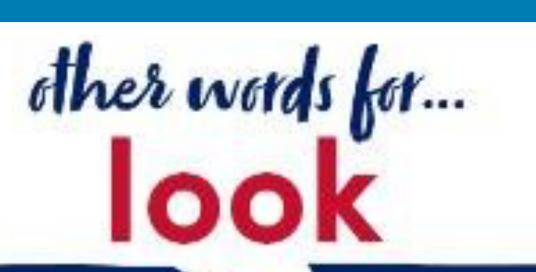
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