

The Ghosts

Vocabulary



The Ghosts can be viewed at: www.englishclub.com/ghosts

scarcely (adverb): almost none, or almost not

There was scarcely any food left in the house.

undertake (verb): to agree to do a task or a project

Local students have decided to undertake a tree-planting project.

befall (verb): to happen to somebody (usually something bad)

We'd never imagined such a scandal befalling our own president.

hazardous (adjective): dangerous (esp. to someone's health or safety)

Travelling in a war zone is very hazardous.

region (noun): a large area of land

The country's most mountainous region is near its eastern border.

ignorantly (adverb): with little knowledge or understanding

Rich people often speak ignorantly about the problems of the poor.

fancy (old-fashioned noun): imagination or dream

In his fancy he saw himself as a wealthy and handsome prince.

evidence (noun): facts or information used to show that something is true

This new evidence proves that global warming is caused by human activity.

existence (noun): the state of being real

Do you believe in the existence of ghosts?

dismiss (verb): to decide something is not true

New ideas are often dismissed by narrow-minded people.

myth (noun): an ancient story, or a traditional belief

Have you studied the myths and legends of ancient India?

stubborn (adjective): not willing to change one's opinion

You'll never convince someone as stubborn as Dan.

cedar (noun): a type of tree

The cedars outside Tim's house swayed in the wind.

mutter (verb): to speak quietly and unclearly, usually when annoyed

We can't hear what you're saying when you mutter like that.

Tory (old-fashioned noun): a supporter of the monarchy in 19th century England

The ghosts of long-dead Tories haunted the old castle.

chaperone (noun): someone who looks after a younger person when they are in public

Her mother wouldn't let her go to the dance without a chaperone.