

The Oscars – Glossary

animation noun [countable]

CINEMA an animated film or cartoon that consists of a series of drawings that are shown quickly one after another so that they look as if they are moving

approach verb [intransitive]

if an event or a particular time approaches, it will happen soon

Winter is fast approaching.

ballet noun [uncountable]

a type of dancing used for telling a story, with complicated movements that need great skill and a lot of training

ceremony noun [countable]

a formal public event with special traditions, actions, or words

creation noun [uncountable]

the act of creating something
the creation of Israel in 1948

director noun [countable]

THEATRE, CINEMA someone who is in charge of making a film or programme, or getting a play ready for performance, especially by telling the actors and technical staff what to do

glamorous adjective

attractive and interesting in an exciting and unusual way

gold-plated adjective

covered with a thin layer of gold

industry noun [countable]

a particular industry, trade, or service and the people who work in it
the nuclear/chemical/pharmaceutical industry

member noun [countable]

someone who belongs to a club, organization, or group

overcome verb [transitive]

to succeed in dealing with or controlling a problem
Jimmy overcame his difficulties to graduate with a first-class degree.

reel noun [countable]

an object shaped like a wheel that you put string, thread, wire, or film around in order to store it

role noun [countable]

the character played by a particular actor in a film, play etc

He won an Oscar for his role.

screenwriter noun [countable]

CINEMA someone whose job is to write stories for films

social networking site noun [countable]

a website such as Facebook or Myspace that allows you to communicate with friends and make new friends

specific adjective

involving or relating to only one particular thing or type of thing

Spectators are only allowed into specific areas of the stadium.

speech noun

1 [countable] a formal occasion when someone speaks to an audience

He began his speech by outlining his plans for the coming year.

2 [uncountable] the ability to speak

A stroke can cause paralysis and difficulties with speech.

statuette noun [countable]

a small statue

stutter noun [singular]

a problem in speaking that causes you to repeat some particular sounds more than you should

sword noun [countable]

a weapon with a short handle and a long sharp blade

therapist noun [countable]

someone whose job is to help people with physical, mental, or emotional problems, using a particular type of therapy

trophy noun [countable]

a large silver cup or similar object given as a prize to the winner of a competition, especially a sports event

western noun [countable]

CINEMA a film about the western United States in the 1800s, usually with cowboys