

## Bullfighting – Glossary

**aggressive** adjective

behaving in an angry or rude way that shows you want to fight, attack, or argue with someone  
*Bailey became increasingly aggressive in his questioning of the witness.*

**arena** noun [countable]

a large area that is surrounded by seats, used for sports or entertainment

**ban** noun [countable]

an official statement ordering people not to do, sell, or use something

**ban** verb [transitive, often passive]

to say officially that people must not do, sell, or use something

*The book was banned from school libraries.*

**brave** adjective

capable of dealing with danger or pain, without seeming to be frightened  
*the brave soldiers who fought and died for their country*

**bullfighter** noun [countable]

a person called a matador who fights a bull and tries to kill it

**cape** noun [countable]

a loose piece of clothing without sleeves that hangs from your shoulders

**Catalonian** adjective

relating to Catalonia (a region of north-east Spain), or its people or culture

**colour-blind** adjective

MEDICAL unable to see the difference between some colours, especially red and green, because of a medical condition

**cruel** adjective

someone who is cruel enjoys causing pain to other people or animals, or enjoys making them unhappy or upset

**entertainment** noun [countable/uncountable]

performances that people enjoy

**exciting** adjective

interesting and full of action, especially when you do not know what is going to happen next

**fan** noun [countable]

someone who likes watching or listening to something such as a sport, films, or music very much, or who admires a famous or important person very much  
*I'm a big fan of Madonna.*

**horn** noun [countable]

one of the hard pointed parts that usually grow in a pair on the heads of some animals, for example cows or goats

**injure** verb [transitive, often passive]

to hurt someone and cause damage to their body  
*Nine people died and 54 were injured in the accident.*

**myth** noun [countable/uncountable]

something that people wrongly believe to be true

**on foot** phrase

walking

*The bus didn't come, so we set off on foot.*

**oppose** verb [transitive]

to disagree with or not approve of a plan or policy  
*a group that opposes the death penalty*

**petition** noun [countable]

a document signed by many people that asks someone in authority to do something

**skilful** adjective

very good at doing something that involves special ability or training  
*He is a skilful and experienced negotiator.*

**spear** noun [countable]

a long weapon like a stick with one sharp end

**thrust** verb [transitive]

to put something somewhere with a quick hard push

*The man thrust his hands into his pockets.*

**vote** verb [intransitive/transitive]

to formally express an opinion by choosing between two or more issues, people etc

**weapon** noun [countable]

an object that can be used to hurt people or damage property, for example a gun, knife, or bomb  
*The murder weapon still hasn't been found.*