

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

color-blind adjective

unable to recognize a difference between some colors, especially red and green

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
A jazz band provided the entertainment, while people ate and drank under the stars.

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, movies, or music very much, or who admires a famous or important person very much

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 started out on foot.

oppose verb [transitive]

to disagree with or not approve of a plan or policy

petition noun [countable]

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

skillful adjective

very good at doing something that involves special ability or training
He is a skillful 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.

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.