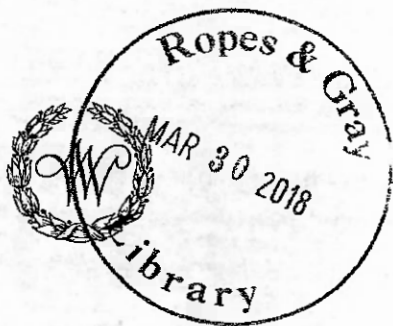


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- ♦ assume, conjecture, guess, presume, speculate, suppose, suspect — more at GUESS
- ²surmise *n* ♦ : a thought or idea based on scanty evidence
- ♦ conjecture, guess, supposition — more at CONJECTURE
- sur-mount \sər-'maunt\ *vb* 1 ♦ : to prevail over : OVERCOME 2 : to get to or lie at the top of
- ♦ beat, conquer, crush, defeat, master, overcome, prevail, subdue, triumph, win — more at BEAT
- sur-name \sər-'nām\ *n* 1 : NICKNAME 2 : the name borne in common by members of a family
- sur-pass \sər-'pas\ *vb* 1 ♦ : to be superior to in quality, degree, or performance : EXCEL 2 ♦ : to go beyond the range or powers of — *sur-pass-ing-ly adv*
- ♦ [1] beat, better, eclipse, excel, outdistance, outdo, outshine, outstrip, top, transcend; *also* exceed, outrun, overpass ♦ [2] exceed, overreach, overrun, overshoot, overstep — more at EXCEED
- sur-prise \sər-'priz\ *n* : a loose white outer vestment usu. of knee length
- sur-plus \sər-(-)pləs\ *n* 1 ♦ : quantity left over : EXCESS 2 : the excess of assets over liabilities
- ♦ excess, fat, overabundance, overflow, overkill, overmuch, superabundance, superfluity, surfeit — more at EXCESS
- ¹sur-prize \sər-'priz\ *n* 1 ♦ : an attack made without warning 2 : a taking unawares 3 ♦ : something that surprises 4 ♦ : the state of being surprised : AMAZEMENT
- ♦ [1] ambush, trap — more at AMBUSH ♦ [3] bolt, bombshell, jar, jolt; *also* shock, thunderclap ♦ [4] amazement, astonishment, shock, wonder; *also* awe, wonderment
- ²surprise *vb* surprised; sur-pris-ing 1 ♦ : to come upon and attack unexpectedly 2 : to take unawares 3 ♦ : to strike with wonder or amazement esp. because unexpected : AMAZE 4 : to cause astonishment or surprise
- ♦ [1] ambush, waylay — more at AMBUSH ♦ [3] amaze, astonish, astound, bowl, dumbfound, flabbergast, floor, shock, startle, stun, stupefy; *also* befuddle, bewilder, confound, confuse, discomfit, disconcert, dismay, muddle, nonplus, perplex
- surprising *adj* ♦ : of a nature that excites surprise
- ♦ amazing, astonishing, astounding, eye-opening, shocking, startling, stunning; *also* unannounced, unanticipated, unexpected, unforeseen ♦ awesome, eye-opening, fabulous, marvelous (or marvellous), miraculous, portentous, prodigious, stupendous, sublime, wonderful — more at MARVELOUS
- sur-pris-ing-ly \-'prī-zīŋ-lē\ *adv* 1 : in a
- surprising manner or degree 2 : it is surprising that
- sur-re-al \sə-'rē-əl, -'rē\ *adj* 1 : having the intense irrational reality of a dream 2 : of or relating to surrealism — *sur-re-al-ly adv*
- sur-re-al-ism \sə-'rē-ə-'li-zəm\ *n* : art, literature, or theater characterized by fantastic or incongruous imagery or effects produced by unnatural juxtapositions and combinations — *sur-re-al-ist \-list\ n or adj* — *sur-re-al-istic \sə-'rē-ə-'lis-tik\ adj* — *sur-re-al-is-ti-cally \-ti-k(ə-)lē\ adv*
- ¹sur-render \sə-'ren-dər\ *vb* 1 ♦ : to yield to the power of another : give up under compulsion 2 ♦ : to give up completely or agree to forgo esp. in favor of another : RELINQUISH 3 ♦ : to give (oneself) over to something (as an influence)
- ♦ [1] bow, budge, capitulate, concede, fall, give in, knuckle under, quit, submit, succumb, yield — more at YIELD ♦ [2] cede, deliver, give up, hand over, leave, relinquish, render, turn over, yield; *also* commit, consign, entrust ♦ [3] bow, give in, submit, succumb, yield
- ²surrender *n* ♦ : the act of giving up or yielding oneself or the possession of something to another
- ♦ capitulation, relinquishment, submission; *also* acceptance, acquiescence, concession
- sur-rep-titious \sər-əp-'ti-shəs\ *adj* ♦ : done, made, or acquired by stealth : CLANDESTINE — *sur-rep-ti-tiously adv*
- ♦ clandestine, covert, furtive, huggermugger, private, secret, sneak, sneaky, stealthy, undercover, underground, underhanded — more at SECRET
- sur-rey \sər-'ē\ *n. pl* surreys : a 2-seated horse-drawn carriage
- sur-ro-ga-cy \sər-ə-'gə-se\ *n* : SURROGATE MOTHERHOOD
- sur-ro-gate \sər-ə-'gāt, -gət\ *n* 1 : DEPUTY, SUBSTITUTE 2 : a law officer in some states with authority in the probate of wills, the settlement of estates, and the appointment of guardians 3 : SURROGATE MOTHER
- surrogate mother *n* : a woman who becomes pregnant (as by surgical implantation of a fertilized egg) in order to carry the fetus for another woman — *surrogate motherhood n*
- sur-round \sə-'raund\ *vb* 1 ♦ : to enclose on all sides : ENCIRCLE 2 : to enclose so as to cut off retreat or escape
- ♦ circle, encircle, enclose, encompass, ring; *also* fence (in), hem (in), wall
- sur-round-ings \sə-'raun-dīŋz\ *n pl* ♦ : conditions by which one is surrounded
- ♦ atmosphere, climate, environment, environs, medium, milieu, setting — more at ENVIRONMENT
- surround sound *n* : sound reproduction that uses three or more transmission channels