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simulate

Meaning of **simulate** in English

simulate

verb [T]

UK ☐ /'sɪm.jə.leɪt/ US ☐ /'sɪm.jə.leɪt/

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to do or make something that looks real but is not real:

- In *cheap furniture*, *plastic* is often used to *simulate wood*.
- formal *Ruth simulated *pleasure* at *seeing Sam*, but really she *wished* he hadn't come.*
- The *computer* *simulates* (= *represents*) different *road conditions* for new *drivers* to *practise on*.

☐ **SMART Vocabulary: related words and phrases**

Faking & pretending

affect

assume

bluff someone into something/doing something

cry

false modesty

falsifiable

out-bluff

phoney

play at something *phrasal verb*

quackery

air guitar

believe

changeling

false identity

false name

falsify

pass something off as something *phrasal verb*

phony-baloney

purport

you can't kid a kidder *idiom*

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simulate | AMERICAN DICTIONARY

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to **create conditions** or **processes similar** to something that **exists**:

- Researchers are *developing* new *techniques* to simulate *crashes*.

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simulate

verb [T]

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to **produce** a **situation** or **event** that **seems real** but is not **real**, **especially in order** to **help people learn** how to **deal** with such **situations** or **events**:

- The *machine* is *designed* to simulate *disaster scenarios*.

simulated

adjective

- In the *game*, *players* are given *titles* in a *simulated business environment*.

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EXAMPLES of **simulate**

simulate

The system being simulated here is purely conservative and so there should be no loss of energy over time.

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Two contrasting dispersal models, one purely diffusive and one stratified, were then chosen to *simulate* colonization for the two contrasting initial genetic structures.

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Using the drawn parameters, we then simulated 1,000 elections and recorded the magnitude of each midterm loss.

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The purpose of students' talk is not to *simulate* activities in contexts of use, but to investigate, explore and analyze content.

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Table 8 provides the economic trade-offs of the three simulated land use options over the whole four catchments in aggregate.

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This has led inevitably to the development of laboratory-based models that *simulate* oral biofilms in vitro.

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In order to achieve this we need to *simulate* in more detail, and with greater precision, the interactions of light with matter.

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Note, though, that we also have simulated the size properties of the standard single-equation and system tests in the presence of heteroskedasticity.

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The gardens and lakes were prepared for the performance of elaborate pageantry and simulated naval battles.

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