

Word List: mal-

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bad or badly, wrong, ill

Vocabulary**Definitions**

malady (n)

a sickness or illness; **bad** health

malefactor (n)

a person who does the **wrong** thing; an evil person

malevolent (adj)

wishing evil or **bad** will for others; mean

malfeasance (n)

bad conduct or **wrong**doing by a public official

malfunction (v)

to function imperfectly or **badly**; fail to operate normally

malice (n)

a desire to do something **bad** to someone else; doing something that is **wrong** on purpose

malignant (adj)

very **bad** or harmful; likely to cause death

malnutrition (n)

a poor diet; **bad** eating habits that result in poor health

malodorous (adj)

stinky; having a **bad** smell

malpractice (n)

an instance of **bad** conduct or treatment from a doctor or other professional