

masquerade

1. [ˌmæskəˈreɪd] *n*
 - 1) (бал-)маскарад
 - 2) притворство, маскарад
2. [ˌmæskəˈreɪd] *v*
 1. притворяться, выдавать себя (за кого-л.)
 - he masqueraded as her brother - он выдавал себя за её брата
 - to masquerade under an assumed name - скрываться под чужим /вымышленным/ именем
 2. *редк.* участвовать в маскараде; маскироваться

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mas-quer-ade [masquerade masquerades masqueraded masquerading] *noun*,

verb BrE [ˌmæskəˈreɪd] ¹ BrE [ˌmɑːskəˈreɪd] ² NAmE [ˌmæskəˈreɪd] ¹

noun

1. (formal) a way of behaving that hides the truth or a person's true feelings
 - He was tired of the masquerade and wanted the truth to come out.
2. (especially NAmE) a type of party where people wear special ↑costumes and ↑masks over their faces, to hide their identities

Word Origin:

late 16th cent.: from French **mascarade**, from Italian **mascherata**, from **maschera** 'mask'.

verb intransitive ~ as sth

to pretend to be sth that you are not

- commercial advertisers masquerading as private individuals
- The local paper is full of gossip masquerading as news.

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	masquerade
I / you / we / they	masquerade
	BrE / ˌmæskəˈreɪd/
	BrE / ˌmɑːskəˈreɪd/
	NAmE / ˌmæskəˈreɪd/
he / she / it	masquerades
	BrE / ˌmæskəˈreɪd/
	BrE / ˌmɑːskəˈreɪd/
	NAmE / ˌmæskəˈreɪd/
past simple, past participle	masqueraded
	BrE / ˌmæskəˈreɪd/
	BrE / ˌmɑːskəˈreɪd/
	NAmE / ˌmæskəˈreɪd/
-ing form	masquerading
	BrE / ˌmæskəˈreɪdɪŋ/
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[Date: 1500-1600; Language: French; Origin: Old Italian mascarada, from maschera; ⇨ ↑mask ¹]

1. [countable] a formal dance or party where people wear ↑masks and unusual clothes
2. [uncountable and countable] a way of behaving or speaking that hides your true thoughts or feelings **SYN pretence**:
 - She didn't really love him, but she kept up the masquerade for the children's sake.

II. **masquerade** ² BrE ² AmE ² *verb* [intransitive]

to pretend to be something or someone different

masquerade as

- A number of police officers masqueraded as demonstrators.
- Some of these breakfast foods are just candy masquerading as cereals.

masquerade under

- He was masquerading under a false name.

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