specimen Apresyan (En-Ru)

['spesimən] n

1. образец образчик; экземпляр

specimen copy [page] - пробный экземпляр [-ая страница]

specimen work - образцовая работа

specimen of handwriting - образец почерка

to take a specimen of smb.'s blood - взять у кого-л. кровь на анализ

this stamp is a rare specimen - эта марка - редкий экземпляр

the finest specimens in his collection - лучшие образцы из его коллекции

2. ирон. тип, субъект

queer specimen - странный тип, чудак

а poor specimen of humanity - жалкий представитель рода человеческого

he's a tough specimen - \cong ему пальца в рот не клади

specimen

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specimen [specimen specimens] BrE ['spesimen] * NAmE ['spesimen] *

noun

1. a small amount of sth that shows what the rest of it is like

Syn: †sample

- Astronauts have brought back specimens of rock from the moon.
- Can you give me a specimen of your handwriting?
- 2. a single example of sth, especially an animal or a plant
 - The aquarium has some interesting specimens of unusual tropical fish.
 - Redwood trees can live for a long time; one specimen is 4 000 years old.
 - (humorous) They were fine specimens of British youth!
- 3. a small quantity of blood, †urine, etc. that is taken from sb and tested by a doctor
- to provide/take a specimen

Word Origin:

early 17th cent. (in the sense 'pattern, model'): from Latin, from specere 'to look'.

Collocations:

Scientific research

Theory

formulate/advance a theory/hypothesis

build/construct/create/develop a simple/theoretical/mathematical model

develop/establish/provide/use a theoretical/conceptual framework

advance/argue/develop the thesis that...

explore an idea/a concept/a hypothesis

make a prediction/an inference

base a prediction/your calculations on sth

investigate/evaluate/accept/challenge/reject a theory/hypothesis/model

Experiment

design an experiment/a questionnaire/a study/a test

do research/an experiment/an analysis

make observations/measurements/calculations

carry out/conduct/perform an experiment/a test/a longitudinal study/observations/clinical trials

run an experiment/a simulation/clinical trials

repeat an experiment/a test/an analysis

replicate a study/the results/the findings

observe/study/examine /investigate/assessa pattern/a process/a behaviour/(especially US) a behavior

fund/support the research/project/study

seek/provide/get/secure funding for research

Results

collect/gather/extract data/information

yield data/evidence/similar findings/the same results

analyse/examine the data/soil samples/a specimen

consider/compare/interpret the results/findings

fit the data/model

confirm/support/verify a prediction/a hypothesis/the results/the findings

prove a conjecture/hypothesis/theorem

draw/make/reach the same conclusions

read/review the records/literature

describe/report an experiment/a study

present/publish/summarize the results/findings

present/publish/read/review/cite a paper in a scientific journal

Synonyms:

example

case • instance • specimen • illustration

These are all words for a thing or situation that is typical of a particular group or set, and is sometimes used to support an argument.

example • something such as an object, a fact or a situation that shows, explains or supports what you say; a thing that is typical of or represents a particular group or set: • Can you give me an example of what you mean?

case • a particular situation or a situation of a particular type; a situation that relates to a particular person or thing: • In some cases people have had to wait several weeks for an appointment.

instance • (rather formal) a particular situation or a situation of a particular type: • The report highlights a number of instances of injustice.

specimen • an example of sth, especially an animal or plant: • The aquarium has some interesting specimens of unusual tropical fish.

illustration • (rather formal) a story, an event or an example that clearly shows the truth about sth: • The statistics are a clear illustration of the point I am trying to make.

example or illustration?

An **illustration** is often used to show that sth is true. An **example** is used to help to explain sth.

a(n) example/case/instance/specimen/illustration of sth

in a particular case/instance

for example/instance

Example Bank:

- The motorist may be required to give a urine specimen.
- This is a fine specimen of a walnut tree.
- · a specimen of blood
- · specimen exam papers
- well-preserved specimens of Homo erectus

specimen

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specimen /'spesəmən, 'spesimən/ BrE * AmE * noun [countable]

[Date: 1600-1700; Language: Latin; Origin: specere 'to look (at)]

1. a small amount or piece that is taken from something, so that it can be tested or examined:

a blood specimen

specimen of

a specimen of rock

2. a single example of something, often an animal or plant

specimen of

a very fine specimen of 12th-century glass

3. a person you are describing in a particular way – used humorously:

Her boyfriend is an impressive physical specimen.

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