

superficial[ˌs(j)uːpəˈfiʃ(ə)] **a**

- поверхностный, неглубокий
superficial wound - неглубокое ранение
- поверхностный, несерьёзный, неосновательный
superficial book - несерьёзная /неглубокая/ книга
a man of superficial understanding - человек неглубокого ума
superficial pastimes - легкомысленные /пустые/ развлечения
superficial knowledge [learning] - поверхностные знания [-ое обучение /образование/]
superficial glance - поверхностный /беглый/ взгляд
after superficial reading he ... - после того, как он бегло прочёл /просмотрел/ ...
- внешний, кажущийся
superficial resemblance - кажущееся сходство
superficial reconciliation - видимость примирения
- геол.** наносный, аллювиальный
- спец.** двухмерный
superficial measures - меры площади
superficial foot - квадратный фут

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Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

super-fi-cial *BrE* [ˌsuːpəˈfiːʃ] *BrE* [ˌsjuːpəˈfiːʃ] *NAmE* [ˌsuːpərˈfiːʃ]**adjective**

- (often disapproving) not studying or looking at sth thoroughly; seeing only what is obvious
 - a superficial analysis
 - The book shows only a superficial understanding of the historical context.
- appearing to be true, real or important until you look at it more carefully
 - superficial differences/similarities
 - When you first meet her, she gives a superficial impression of warmth and friendliness.
- (of a wound or damage) only affecting the surface and therefore not serious
 - a superficial injury
 - superficial burns
- (disapproving) not concerned with anything serious or important and lacking any depth of understanding or feeling

Syn: ↑shallow

- a superficial friendship
- The guests engaged in superficial chatter.
- She's so superficial!

- (technical) of or on the surface of sth

- superficial veins
- a superficial deposit of acidic soils

Derived Words ↑superficiality ▪ ↑superficially**Word Origin:**late Middle English: from late Latin *superficialis*, from Latin *superficies*, from *super-* 'above' + *facies* 'face'.**Example Bank:**

- The movie bears a fairly superficial resemblance to the original novel
- Superficial similarities can be deceptive.

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- NOT LOOKING/STUDYING CAREFULLY** not studying or looking at something carefully and only seeing the most noticeable things

superficial examination/study etc

- Even a superficial inspection revealed serious flaws.
- Naturally, such visits can allow only the most superficial understanding of prison life.

- APPEARANCE** seeming to have a particular quality, although this is not true or real

superficial resemblance/similarity

- Despite their superficial similarities, the two novels are, in fact, very different.
- Beneath his refined manners and superficial elegance lay something treacherous.

at/on a superficial level

- At a superficial level, things seem to have remained the same.

- WOUND/DAMAGE** affecting only the surface of your skin or the outside part of something, and therefore not serious:

- She escaped with only superficial cuts and bruises.
- superficial damage

- PERSON** someone who is superficial does not think about things that are serious or important – used to show disapproval **SYN**

shallow:

- All the other girls seemed silly and superficial to Darlene.

- NOT IMPORTANT** superficial changes, difficulties etc are not important and do not have a big effect **SYN minor:**

superficial changes in government policies

6. TOP LAYER existing in or relating to the top layer of something, especially soil, rock etc

—**superficially** *adverb*

—**superficiality** /,suːpɪˈfiːəlɪəti/ *noun* [uncountable]

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