

synthetic

1. [sɪn'θetɪk] *n*

- 1. синтетический продукт (*пластмасса, лекарство и т. п.*)
- 2. искусственный драгоценный камень

2. [sɪn'θetɪk] *a*

- 1. комплексный
- 2. искусственный; синтетический
synthetic wool [silk] - искусственная шерсть [-ый шёлк]
synthetic rubber - синтетический каучук
- 3. деланный, притворный
synthetic enthusiasm - напускной энтузиазм
- 4. *филос.* синтетический (*в противоп. аналитическому*); относящийся к синтезу
- 5. *лингв.* синтетический

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syn-thet-ic [synthetic synthetics] *adjective, noun* BrE [sɪn'θetɪk] ^{us} NAmE

[sɪn'θetɪk] ^{us}

adjective

- 1. artificial; made by combining chemical substances rather than being produced naturally by plants or animals
Syn: ↑man-made
• synthetic drugs/fabrics
• shoes with synthetic soles
- 2. (*also ag-glu-tin-ative*) (*linguistics*) (*of languages*) using changes to the ends of words rather than separate words to show the functions of words in a sentence

compare ↑analytic

Word Origin:

late 17th cent.: from French *synthétique* or modern Latin *syntheticus*, from Greek *sunthetikos*, based on *suntithenai* 'place together'.

Synonyms:

artificial

synthetic • false • man-made • fake • imitation

These words all describe things that are not real, or not naturally produced or grown.

artificial • made or produced to copy sth natural; not real: ▫ artificial flowers ◇▫ artificial light

synthetic • made by combining chemical substances rather than being produced naturally by plants or animals: ▫ synthetic drugs ◇▫ shoes with synthetic soles

false • not natural: ▫ false teeth ◇▫ a false beard

man-made • made by people; not natural: ▫ man-made fibres such as nylon

fake • made to look like sth else; not real: ▫ a fake-fur jacket

imitation • [only before noun] made to look like sth else; not real: ▫ She would never wear imitation pearls.

artificial/synthetic/man-made **fabrics/fibres/materials/products**

artificial/synthetic/fake/imitation **fur/leather**

artificial/synthetic/false/fake/imitation **diamonds/pearls**

Example Bank:

- synthetic drugs/dyes

Derived Word ↑synthetically

noun

an artificial substance or material

- cotton fabrics and synthetics
- material with the feel of a natural fibre and the durability of a synthetic

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See also: ↑agglutinative

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syn-thet-ic /sɪn'θetɪk/ BrE ^{us} AmE ^{us} *adjective*

[Date: 1600-1700; Language: Greek; Origin: *synthetikos*, from *synthithenai*; ⇒ ↑synthesis]

produced by combining different artificial substances, rather than being naturally produced **OPP natural**:

synthetic chemicals

synthetic fibres/materials/fabrics

—synthetically /-kli/ *adverb*

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THESAURUS

- **artificial** not real or natural, but made to look or work like something real or natural: artificial flowers | He was given an artificial heart.
- **synthetic** made using chemical processes rather than by natural processes: synthetic fabrics | a synthetic version of the drug
- **man-made** made by people – used especially about geographical features and materials: a man-made lake | man-made fibres
- **fake** made to look or seem like something else, especially in order to deceive people: a fake passport | fake fur
- **imitation** made to look like something, but not real – used especially about guns, jewellery, and leather: imitation firearms | imitation pearls
- **false** artificial – used especially about teeth, ↑eyelashes, and ↑beards: a set of false teeth
- **simulated** not real, but made to look, sound, or feel real, especially by means of special computers or machines: a simulated space flight
- **virtual** made, done, seen etc on a computer, rather than in the real world: a virtual tour of the garden

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