

fleeting

[ˈfliːtɪŋ] *a*

- 1) быстрый; мимолётный; скоротечный
- 2) быстро исчезающий

fleeting target - **воен.** быстропроходящая цель; появляющаяся мишень

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Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

fleet-ing *BrE* [ˈfliːtɪŋ] *NAme* [ˈfliːtɪŋ] **adjective usually before noun**

lasting only a short time

Syn: †brief

- a **fleeting glimpse/smile**
- a **fleeting moment** of happiness
- We paid a **fleeting visit** to Paris.

Derived Word †fleetingly

Word Origin:

[**fleeting fleetingly**] Old English (in the sense 'floating, swimming'): from fleet 'move or pass quickly' + †-ing.

Example Bank:

- Alone on deck, I experienced a fleeting moment of happiness.
- I caught a fleeting glimpse of the palace as the bus swept by.

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fleet-ing /ˈfliːtɪŋ/ *BrE* *AmE* **adjective [usually before noun]**

[**Date:** 1600-1700; **Origin:** fleet 'to go quickly' (16-19 centuries), from Old English fleotan 'to float']

lasting for only a short time **SYN** brief:

- a fleeting smile
- For one fleeting moment, Paula allowed herself to forget her troubles.
- I caught a fleeting glimpse of them as they drove past.
- Carol was paying a fleeting visit to Paris.

—**fleetingly** *adverb*

THESAURUS

■ time

- **short** not long: I lived in Tokyo for a short time. | Smokers have a shorter life expectancy than non-smokers.
- **brief** *especially written* lasting only for a short time. **Brief** is more formal than **short**, and is used especially in written English: The President will make a brief visit to Seattle today. | He coached Hingis for a brief period in the 1990s.
- **quick** [**only before noun**] taking a short time to do something: I had a quick look at the map. | He had a quick shower and then went out.
- **short-lived** lasting only for a short time – used especially when someone wishes that a good situation had been able to last for longer: short-lived success | The ceasefire was short-lived. | a short-lived romance | short-lived optimism about the economy
- **fleeting** lasting only for an extremely short time – used especially when someone wishes that something had been able to last for longer: a fleeting visit | a fleeting smile | She caught a fleeting glimpse of him. | a fleeting moment of happiness | a fleeting thought
- **momentary** lasting for a very short time – used especially about feelings or pauses: There was a momentary pause in the conversation. | The momentary panic ended when he found his two-year-old son waiting happily outside the store.
- **passing** [**only before noun**] lasting only for a short time – used especially when people are only interested in something or mention something for a short time: passing fashions | He made only a passing reference to war. | It's just a passing phase (=it will end soon).
- **ephemeral** *formal* lasting only for a short time, and ending quickly like everything else in this world: Beauty is ephemeral. | the ephemeral nature of our existence | His wealth proved to be ephemeral.

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