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## Word of the Day – **Defy**

### Transcript

The word of the day today is **defy**. **Defy** is a verb. This is used when you are opposing a figure of authority or oppose what is expected of you. Generally, this word is used when you “go against the grain”.

For example, let’s say your advisor has recommended that you take a certain coursework. But you do not agree with his suggestions. While all of your friends go along with their advisor’s advice, you have decided you will not. You have decided to **defy** his advice and take the courses you prefer.

In another example, let’s say you have an important interview lined up. This interview will change the course of your academic career. You feel as if you need to stand out and catch the attention of your interviewer. While you know it is common to wear a suit and tie you have decided to **defy** convention and wear something more casual, let’s say jeans and sneakers. While the outcome may seem obvious, your interviewer may find your apparel choice interesting. However, to **defy** such a rudimentary convention may not serve you.

I hope you found this word useful in expressing your thoughts more clearly. For more information you can find the script at [Practicus.co.kr](http://Practicus.co.kr).