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What does the word "most" mean? - English Language & Usage Stack Exchange

Most is defined by the attributes you apply to it. "Most of your time" would imply more than half, "the most time" implies more than the rest in your stated set. Your time implies your total time, where the most time implies more than the rest. I think "most" leads to a great deal of ambiguity.

grammar - When to use "most" or "the most" - English Language & Usage ...

The adverbial use of the definite noun the most synonymous with the bare-adverbial most to modify an entire clause or predicate has been in use since at least the 1500s and is an integral part of English.

meaning - Is "most" equivalent to "a majority of"? - English Language ...

Here "most" means "a plurality". Most dentists recommend Colgate toothpaste. Here it is ambiguous about whether there is a bare majority or a comfortable majority. From the 2nd Language Log link: I searched on Google for the pattern "most * percent", and picked out of the first 150 hits all the examples like these:

"Most" vs. "most of" - English Language & Usage Stack Exchange

During most of history, humans were too busy to think about thought. Why is "most of history" correct in the above sentence? I could understand the difference between "Most of the people" and "Most

Most is vs most are - English Language & Usage Stack Exchange

Most is what is called a determiner. A determiner is "a word, such as a number, article, personal pronoun, that determines (limits) the meaning of a noun phrase." Some determiners can only be used with either a countable noun or an uncountable noun, while others, like most, can be used with both countable and uncountable nouns. Uncountable nouns usually take a singular verb. So, in your

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superlative degree - How/when does one use "a most"? - English Language ...

I've recently come across a novel called A most wanted man, after which being curious I found a TV episode called A most unusual camera. Could someone shed some light on how to use "a most" and wh...

"most" vs "the most", specifically as an adverb at the end of sentence

Which one of the following sentences is the most canonical? I know most vs. the most has been explained a lot, but my doubts pertain specifically to which one to use at the end of a sentence. Do...

grammar - Is it correct to use "most" + "-est" together? - English ...

Welcome to the most wildest show on earth. Someone pointed out the most wildest and I was wondering if it was OK to use most with a word that ends in -est together.

adverbs - Which is more common - 'the most' or 'most'? - English ...

1 If your question is about frequency, in both the Corpus of Contemporary English and the British National Corpus there are three times as many records for most as for the most.

"Mostest" vs. "most" - English Language & Usage Stack Exchange

Most is already in superlative form, so adding -est is redundant and ungrammatical. It was popularized, however, in the saying (intentionally ungrammatical, to convey a sense of crude common sense): "getting thar fustest with the mostest".