

Word of the Day -Caitiff

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- **Noun/Adjective:** Caitiff (Archaic)

1. noun

- A despicable coward; a wretch.
- A mean villain; a despicable knave; one who is both wicked and mean.

2. adjective

- Despicable and cowardly.

- **Synonyms:**

1. villain
2. brute
3. savage
4. monster
5. devil
6. wretch
7. offender
8. criminal
9. knave
10. beast

- **Usage:**

1. "I think you mean **caitiff**. You just misspelled it."

- **Encountered:** In the following text exchange with a superannuated golfing buddy that lives in the Magnolia State. I had passed along the following cartoon with the comment that **I had found the epitaph for my tombstone** — never mind that I want to be cremated.



To which he replied, “This is something I don’t have to worry about. Niceness is not in my vocabulary.”

I responded with, “I am a saint, myself.”

Parrying he said, “I think you mean **caitiff**. You just misspelled it”

With a feint and lunge, I remarked, “I see that doctorate paid off.”

In response, I received, “Told you I had no niceness in me.”

“No true,” I riposted, “You gifted me a new word!”

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