

## Word of the Day -Pareidolia

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- **Noun: Pareidolia**

1. the tendency to perceive a specific, often meaningful image in a random or ambiguous visual pattern

- The scientific explanation for some people is pareidolia, or the human ability to see shapes or make pictures out of randomness. Think of the Rorschach inkblot test. — Pamela Ferdinand

- **Synonyms:**

apophenia

- **Usage:**

“Welcome to a world where reality transforms into a vibrant stage of facial expressions and intriguing characters. In the course of my daily life, I stumbled upon a hidden treasure: **pareidolias** that have made me smile, ponder, and sometimes even burst into laughter.”

- **Encountered:**

Scrolling through my Google news feed I saw the clickbait title from a [Borepanda.com](#) article: [30 Pareidolias That Have Made Me Smile, Ponder, And Sometimes Even Burst Into Laughter](#)

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