

Word of the Day -Gainsay

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- **Verb: Gainsay** (gainsaid, gainsaying, gainsays)
 1. to declare to be untrue or invalid (intransitive verb)
 2. contradict, oppose
 3. gainsayer is the noun
- **Synonyms:**
 1. deny
 2. refute
 3. reject
 4. contradict
 5. disavow
 6. disclaim
 7. negate
 8. repudiate
 9. disallow
 10. disown
 11. disaffirm
 12. disconfirm
 13. disprove
 14. rebut
 15. challenge
- **Usage:**
 1. “The sons of the Achaeans shouted applause at the words of Diomed, and presently Nestor rose to speak. “Son of Tydeus,” said he, “in war your prowess is beyond question, and in council you excel all who are of your own years; no one of the Achaeans can make light of what you say nor **gainsay** it, but you have not yet come to the end of the whole matter.”
- **Encountered:**
 1. While listening to Samuel Butler’s prose translation of [The Iliad](#)

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