

Word of the Day - Putative

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Word of the Day... not actually daily, but whenever I encounter one I think worth sharing and there are not too many on my landing page. Words have always fascinated me, and I am a fan of all types of word play, especially puns. I have a hard time not looking up a word that I am unfamiliar with or not sure of the definition. I like those authors that stretch me by throwing in unexpected terms.

- **Adjective: Putative**

1. commonly regarded as such
2. assumed to exist or to have existed.

- **Synonyms:**

1. presumed
2. presumptive
3. reputed
4. supposed
5. accepted
6. alleged
7. assumed
8. hypothetical
9. imputed
10. reported

- **Usage:**

1. “When a former Navy SEAL with ties to a raft of Trumpworld figures landed in Haiti nearly a decade ago, his **putative** mission was to lead raid and rescue operations that would recover a missing American child.”

- **Encountered:**

1. While reading an article on my Google news feed from The Daily Beast: [How Ex-SEAL on Child Rescue Mission Became Island Kingpin](#) The article caught my attention as I was imagining a modern day [Lord Jim](#), not an article on corruption in Haiti, that is pretty much a given.

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