

《牛津博客词汇辨析：assume & presume》



In common usage both **assume** and **presume** can mean 'suppose' and are often interchangeable in this meaning.

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However, technically there is a subtle difference between the two words?

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1.presume is to 'suppose to be the case on the basis of probability':

1.presume????????????????

Two of the journalists went missing and are presumed dead.

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2.Assume on the other hand is to 'suppose to be the case without proof':

2.Assume?????????????????????

I just assumed it to be the case.

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I assumed the role of the aggressor in the conversation.

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Presume?????????

He had presumed too great a level of familiarity.

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1. You ____ his innocence before hearing the evidence against him.

assume presume

2. With the glances she was throwing at their adopted children, I would ____ the reason was jealousy.

assume presume

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