







A "kangaroo court" means that there has been a fast and unfair legal procedure. It likely comes from during the Gold Rush when American courts would skip procedures for quick sentencing.

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Even though Kangaroos are native to Australia, this phrase dates back to the 19th century Gold Rush in America.

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The most likely origin of the phrase, according to researchers, is that people who saw the quick sentencing in American courts during this time likened it to kangaroos hopping or skipping.????????????????????????????????????????????????????????????????????????????

????The office looked like a kangaroo court.

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separate the wheat from the chaff

If you're "separating the wheat from the chaff," you're distinguishing between quality and worthlessness. The phrase actually comes from the Bible.

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Chaff is the protective casings of the seeds of cereal grain. Humans can't eat it, but livestock can. It's not as important as, say, wheat.

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In Matthew 3:12, John the Baptist says, "His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor, gathering his wheat into the barn and burning up the chaff with unquenchable fire."

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????It can be hard to separate the wheat from the chaff when the qualifications for a social mediamanager are so nebulous.

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**carry your heart on your sleeve**

We can thank Shakespeare for committing the phrase "Carry your heart on your sleeve" —or being transparent — to paper. Iago famously says it in "Othello."

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In Othello Act 1 Scene 1, Iago says "But I will wear my heart upon my sleeve..." meaning he would be exposed.

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Aside from Shakespeare's genius brain, other possible origins include the tokens knights would wear from ladies during jousting matches and a marriage festival from the Middle Ages.

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????He always wears his heart on his sleeve so that everyone knows how he feels.

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### skin of your teeth

If you do something by the "skin of your teeth," you're barely managing to do it. One of the first recordings of this phrase is from the Bible.

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In Job 19:20, Job says, "My bone cling to my skin and to my flesh, / And I have escaped by the skin of my teeth."

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Teeth don't have skin, so it was likely an allusion to something small or so thin that it was insubstantial.

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????I woke up late and I had to run to the station. I made it by the skin of my teeth.

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