



Gallant

**Definition of gallant (*adjective*) in English:**

Brave and heroic person/behaviour.

## Etymology:

The study of the origin (beginning) of words

Gallant (gal-ant) has origins in:

- ❖ Middle English (in the sense ‘finely dressed’)
- ❖ Old French *galant*, from *galer* ‘have fun, make a show’, from *gale* ‘pleasure, rejoicing’.



Courageous

Bold



Intrepid

Chivalrous

These words are  
synonyms for  
gallant...

1. The knight was tall, handsome and **gallant** – everything a knight should be.
2. He made a **gallant** attempt to help.
3. A **gallant** gentleman came over to assist the elderly woman.



In  
sentences...

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Use the word **gallant** as many times as possible throughout the week and you could receive house points every time!

This can be verbally, in your written work or even when you hear an adult around the school using it.

