

Commence

Definition: (verb) to begin.



Etymology:

The study of the origin (beginning) of words

Origin

LATIN

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OLD FRENCH

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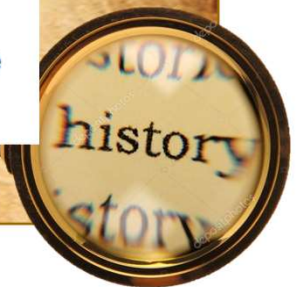
initiare

begin

commencier
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→ commence
Middle English

Middle English: from Old French *commencier*, *comencier*, based on Latin *com-* (expressing intensive force) + *initiare* 'begin'.





Synonyms of the word “commence”...

Begin

Start

Embark on

Initiate



Examples in Context

1. "The meeting is scheduled to commence at 9am," she explained.
2. The new school term commenced on Tuesday 5th September.



How words might be used by people in various professions...

"The first activity will **commence** at 10am," the youth worker explained over the phone.



Use the word **commence** as many times as possible throughout the week to achieve positives!

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