



Paradox: a statement or a concept that seems to be self-contradictory.

- A Logical Paradox is a statement that contradicts itself absolutely.
- A Rhetorical Paradox might only *seem* contradictory; it might be true.
- An Oxymoron is a combination of seemingly contradictory words.

* **Logical Paradox:** These are paradoxical statements that are genuinely self-contradictory. They cannot be reconciled/Cannot be true.

- *Everything I say is a lie.* Think about this one: if it's true, then it's not true.
- *If you didn't get this message, call me.* Impossible scenario here.
- *Your mission is to not accept this mission? Do you accept?* Go ahead... Scratch your head.
- *No keyboard detected. Press F1 to continue.* I have actually seen one like this.
- *Youth would be an ideal state if it came a little later in life.* Would it be youth?

* **Rhetorical Paradox:** These are elements of our everyday language. They seem absurd, but are possibly true.

- *You can save money by spending it.* Spending money insulating your roof would reduce heating bills.
- *When you increase your knowledge, you understand how little you know.* In essence, your unknown unknowns become known unknowns.
- *To shut down your computer, first click Start.* You get it.
- *You have to be cruel to be kind.* Think about punishing a child for running into the street to retrieve a ball
- *Deep down, you're really shallow.* Hmm... at a basic level, you lack depth of thought or appropriate emotion.
- *Less is more.* This one crops up in our lives all the time.

* **Oxymoron:** also a type of paradox, an oxymoron is a combination of seemingly contradictory words.

fresh raisins

female gunman

guest host

crash landing

wise fool

the living dead

dull shine

bittersweet

the sounds of silence

escaped prisoner ?

jumbo shrimp

irregular pattern