

Interpretation is the act of explaining, making sense of, or translating the meaning of something. Key areas include spoken language translation, artistic performance, and legal or text analysis.

Language and Speech

- Spoken translation: Changing spoken or signed words from one language into another in real time.
- Modes: Includes simultaneous (live) and consecutive (after the speaker pauses) styles.

Arts and Music

- Performance style: How an actor, musician, or dancer shows their unique personal understanding of a script or score.
- Creative expression: Bringing a distinct emotional or stylistic view to a shared work.

Law and Texts

- Legal meaning: Figuring out what a law, contract, or constitutional clause actually requires in a specific case.
- Literary analysis: Explaining hidden themes, symbols, or historical contexts in books or historical records.