

# **Student Essay on Definition Essay for Fear**

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# Essay

## Fear

Fear is the sweat dripping down your face as you walk along through the woods. Fear is the anxiety of waiting for your report card, so you can grab it first rather than your parents. Fear is all the sharks swimming freely in the ocean while you are scuba diving. Fear is "a feeling of agitation and anxiety caused by the existence or presence of danger,." A disturbance when danger is around or when you experience jeopardy, you yourself are worried for your well-being and comfort. Fear is a negative emotional state that is a state of mind.

A state or condition marked by this feeling, says that it is the stipulation that you are in or that you think of when you are scared. There are many different opinions on the literal meaning of the word "fear" and most dictionaries have different examples as well. There are many different types of fears, known as phobias, which are abnormal, or irrational fears of specific things. The word phobia comes from the Greek word, Phobos, meaning fear. The most well known phobia is most likely arachnophobia, which is the fear of spiders. no matter what, everyone experiences fear at some point of their life.

You could experience fear when someone frightens you and they surprise you and you jump in bewilderment. Some people will say that you made their heart stop or something of the sort from being so surprised. Some people scream as loud as possible and quiver. Also some people are so scared that they just stand there like they are frozen. Some people may pass out like in the movies, but that probably doesn't happen often. People who are easily frightened are categorized as "scardy cats." I believe it's because cats are also easily frightened.

Halloween is a special holiday where children and weird adults, go around to houses "trick-or-treating" for candy. They dress up in costumes and guises to either frighten the people standing at the door or to entertain them with a comical costume. the holiday has a scary setting as well rather than costumes and candy; people put out skeletons and ghosts with carved pumpkins and some people like to play creepy music. Some people get really into Halloween and have a good, scary costume to frighten the kids, but its all in good cause, just to get some candy.