



wàng wén shēng yì

望文生义

idiom · to interpret a word or phrase literally without understanding its true meaning; to take some...

## Example Sentence

tā wàng wén shēng yì yǐ wéi duì niú tán qín zhēn de shì zài niú miàn qián tán qín  
他望文生义，以为‘对牛弹琴’真的是在牛面前弹琴。

He took it literally and thought 'playing the lute to a cow' actually meant playing music in front of a cow.

Trace each character, then write the word on your own.

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