

Pedantic



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Definition: an excessive display of learning or scholarship

Examples:

- Using fancy words in a speech or lecture
- Continually correcting someone on their grammar

Read the example and answer the questions.

Howard: Sheldon, don't take this the wrong way, but, you're insane.

Leonard: That may well be, but the fact is it wouldn't kill us to meet some new people.

Sheldon: For the record, it could kill us to meet new people. They could be murderers or the carriers of unusual pathogens. And I'm not insane, my mother had me tested.

- “The Big Bang Theory” by Bill Prady and Chuck Lorre.

- 1. What is the pedantic used?**
- 2. How does the pedantic effect the tone of the passage?**
- 3. Why do authors use pedantics in their writing?**

Now you try...

Write 2-3 sentences about students having a class discussion using a pedantic.