Right Is Not Always Right

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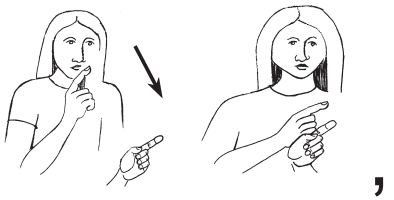
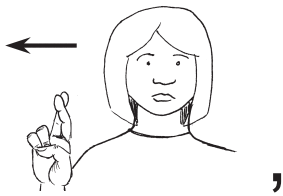


as in **RIGHT, CORRECT, ACCURATE, TRUE, FITTING, APPROPRIATE, SUITABLE, PROPER.**

Right could also be

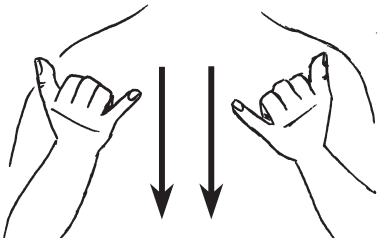
as in **RIGHT, ENTITLEMENT, PRIVILEGE, PERMISSION,**

or ***right*** could be



as in **RIGHT**, the opposite of left.

These three signs cover a lot of territory, but not all of it. Consider ***right now*** on the next page.



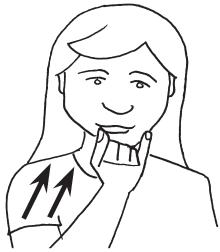
NOW

RIGHT NOW is signed as ***now.*** "Right" is merely an expression of emphasis which Sign expresses by way of body and facial gestures. The same is true for ***go right home*** and ***right here.***

"Make things right" and "right a wrong" are two other examples of English idioms using the word "right." Both these expressions translate into ***fix***, a word not included in either English idiom. These idiomatic expressions have no meaning when translated word for word into Sign.

And let's not forget the homonym "write." This ***write*** is a mime sign, a person in the act of writing. It's important to translate meaning for meaning, and not sign for sound. To this end, Sign Can You includes a list of synonyms immediately following each illustration. Take note of all the synonyms to better understand the meaning and range of a sign. Better yet, **repeat each and every sign as you say each and every synonym.** It'll do wonders to increase your Sign vocabulary and understanding.

We're discussing ***right,*** but we should include ***wrong*** for the sake of increasing our vocabulary. After all, not all things are right. Some things are ***left***, but we'll add that sign while discussing space. Be on the lookout for off topic signs. They're included to show the range and limits of a sign. Off topic signs are also included if they're useful to everyday conversation.



WRONG, INCORRECT, MISTAKEN, MISTAKE, ERRONEOUS, DISHONEST, UNETHICAL, NOT RIGHT, UNSUITABLE, IMPROPER, INAPPROPRIATE

We need to get past the sound of a word, and arrive at its meaning. Remember, which ***right*** we use depends on its meaning and "write" is never ***right.***