# "Perception is reality." -or-"Your perception is your reality."

This is one of my favorite sayings - and I love to discuss it, so reply with any questions.



Two Tails of Comet Lulin Credit & Copyright: <u>Richard Richins</u> (NMSU)

**Explanation:** Pictured above, <u>Comet Lulin</u> was captured in spectacular form this past February from New Mexico, USA. The central coma of the comet is appearing quite green, a color likely indicating glowing <u>cyanogen</u> and molecular <u>carbon</u> gasses. Bright stars and a distant <u>spiral galaxy</u> are clearly visible in the image background. The yellow dust tail, reflecting sunlight, is <u>visible</u> sprawling to the coma's left trailing behind <u>the comet</u>, while the textured bluish-glowing ion tail is visible to the coma's right, pointing away from the Sun.

## imbibition

\im-buh-BISH-un\ noun

### Meaning

: the act or action of imbibing : the act or action of drinking or taking in liquid

## **Example Sentence**

The sign at the entrance to the building stated that the imbibition of alcoholic beverages on the premises was prohibited.

#### Did you know?

Joseph Thomas James Hewlett was a 19th-century English curate and schoolmaster who supplemented his insufficient income by writing novels. In *Parsons and Widows*, in which the author disguises himself as "the Curate of Mosbury," Hewlett provided us with the first known use of "imbibition" to refer to a person's drinking, in the phrase "imbibition of a little strong beer." Until then, "imbibition" had been used scientifically to refer to various processes of soaking and absorption, or figuratively, to the taking in of knowledge. (The word is still used scientifically today to refer to the taking up of fluid.) "Imbibition" traces back to Latin "imbibere," a verb whose meaning "to drink in" includes absorption of liquids, consuming drink, and appropriating ideas.

\*Indicates the sense illustrated in the example sentence.

Best Regards,

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