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dis·grace  (dĭs-grās)

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n.

1. Loss of honor, respect, or reputation; shame.
2. The condition of being strongly and generally disapproved.
3. One that brings disfavor or discredit: *Your handwriting is a disgrace.*

tr.v. **dis·graced**, **dis·grac·ing**, **dis·grac·es**

1. To bring shame or dishonor on: *disgraced the entire community.*
2. To deprive of favor or good repute; treat with disfavor: *The family was disgraced by the scandal.*

[French *disgrâce*, from Italian *disgrazia* : *dis-*, not (from Latin; see [DIS-](#)) + *grazia*, favor (from Latin *grātia*, from *grātus*, pleasing; see [g^werə-²](#) [in the Appendix of Indo-European roots](#)).]

dis·grac *er n.*

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