

The term “selective” refers to the act of choosing or picking carefully from a larger group, often based on specific criteria or preferences.

Definitions by context: General: “Characterized by careful choice; discriminating.” Example: She is very selective about the books she reads.

Biology: “A process or trait that favors certain characteristics or organisms over others.” Example: Selective breeding produces animals with desirable traits.

Education: “Restricting admission to those who meet particular criteria.” Example: A selective university only admits top-performing students.

Technology/Medicine: “Targeted action affecting only certain components or areas.” Example: A selective serotonin reuptake inhibitor (SSRI) affects specific neurotransmitters.

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