

Premier vs. Premiere

It is not surprising that two words with just a single letter separating their spellings would cause confusion among English writers. This is the case with the terms premier and premiere, which only differ in appearance by a single letter “e” but have different meanings and uses. This post will help you identify these differences to help avoid further confusion in the future.

The word premier functions as an adjective which means “first in importance, order, or position” or “leading.”

Scientist of premier Institute in Bengaluru accused of sexually harassing four PhD scholars

[The News Minute](#)

Ghana’s premier university leads project to improve well-being of citizens through agriculture

[Xinhua](#)

MPI Returns as Strategic Partner and Premier Education Provider for IMEX America 2017

[PR Newswire](#)

It also sometimes used as a noun to refer to “a prime minister or other head of government.”

North Korea’s madness: A level-headed premier

[Chicago Tribune](#)

Ontario Premier Kathleen Wynne tells court she was aware of meeting with candidate

[CBC News](#)

Premier’s Statement on Strengthening Ontario’s Relationships in Washington, D.C.

[Government of Ontario News](#)

On the other hand, the term premiere is commonly used as a noun referring to “the first performance of a musical or theatrical work or the first showing of a movie.”

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Halle Berry, 50, looks incredibly youthful at LA premiere of Kidnap
[Hello! Magazine](#)

Midwest Premiere of Conor McPherson's THE VEIL Opens 8/19
[Broadway World](#)

Nat Wolff Talks Jumping Into Horror at 'Death Note' New York Premiere
[Variety](#)

It may also be used as a verb meaning "to give the first performance of."

Krossfyre Premieres Title Track From Upcoming New Album "Burning Torches"
[Metal Underground](#)

TV highlights: 'Atypical' premieres on Netflix
[Washington Post](#)

Netflix Premiered the Trailer for Its Most Expensive Movie Yet at Comic-Con
[Fortune](#)

Now that you have learned about the differences between premier and premiere in terms of meaning and usage, you would be able to use them properly in your writing. Remember that premier shows are usually those that get to have grand premieres.