



Vampire Information (But is it Real or Fake?)



- Basically they survive on blood, usually human blood, but some vampires have chosen an animal only diet at some point in their "un-life" in an effort to not eat from or kill any human beings. Louis in "Interview with the Vampire" opted this lifestyle for a time as well as the entire Cullen clan in the "Twilight Saga's".
- Vampires are people who have died and been "reanimated" as vampires. Sometimes they are called, "The Undead" or "Immortal".
- One of the most famous vampire books is "Dracula" by Bram Stoker. It was written in 1897.
- Vampires have fangs and often will bite a human's neck to drink from them. Sometimes they will drink from the vein on your thigh ("True Blood" is a big fan of this) and other body parts such as the wrist and chest but I have even seen them bite people on the head in movies, such as "The Lost Boys".
- In most tales vampires can be killed by the use of a wooden stake through the heart. It's not that easy to kill them since vampires have super-human strength.
- They are super-fast and can also "glamour" humans, which is the ability to put them in an almost trance-like state where the human will obey the vampire's demands.
- People are turned into vampires by being bitten by a vampire. Typically, they also have to drink the vampire's blood in return to become a vampire. If they are just bitten and drained of blood, they will die. If they drink the vampire's blood, they will wake up as a vampire themselves.
- Their habits include sometimes sleeping during the day, not eating food, being very pale, being super-hot (lol), and remaining young looking forever.
- Vampires have some weaknesses too, depending on which "Vampire Universe" you are in. These typically include sunlight (but some vampires have found ways around this, such as through the use of special rings, heavy sunblock, being very old and powerful, etc.).
- Some vampires merely "sparkle" in the sunlight so they just don't go out in it. In this way humans don't discover them to be vampires, like in "Twilight" by Stephanie Meyer.
- Wooden stakes, vervain (an herb), holy water, silver, and crosses are also used to maim or kill vampires.
- Sometimes vampires can be hybrids (a half vampire - half human being). For example, the character of Blade is a "Daywalker" - half vampire, half human. The vampires in Richelle Mead's "Vampire Academy Series" are half vampire, half human, "Moroi's".

- There are some other supernatural creatures that can go up and fight vampires, such as werewolves and demons. "The Buffy the Vampire Slayer" TV show often had demons in the mix.
- It can take special training to kill and fight vampires, such as in the case of "The Buffy the Vampire Slayer" (who was born "The Chosen One" to can slay vampires). She is human but also is endowed with super strength, power and skill to battle vampires.
- Vampires have to be "invited" in your home. They sometimes can trick you into "inviting" them in so that they can attack you. But this rule can help you keep them out of your home and you safe.
- Some say that if you get a vampire bite, the ones that do not drain all of your blood, that you'll retain some of the vampires excellent traits that humans often dream of, like having silky smooth skin, excellent eyesight and being super agile. I prefer the Prince from Meg Cabot's "Insatiable" or Thierry from LJ Smith's "Night World" - I would have the power to read minds, control emotions and of course live forever.
- Another common vampire fact: they sleep in coffins