

*Read the following examples of the differences between power and authority, and add one or two of your own.*

1. A police officer has the power to arrest a person, but he or she does not have the authority to arrest you for chewing gum in a public place.
2. A big, strong person has the power to knock you out of his way in the gym, but he does not have the authority to do so.
3. A millionaire has the power to buy whatever she wants, but does not have the authority to buy illegal weapons or stolen jewellery.
4. A hunter has the power to kill animals, but he or she does not have the authority to kill a protected species, to hunt off-season, or to hunt in city limits.
5. An army has the power to carry out a military attack, but it does not have the authority to do so unless the official head of government orders it.
6. I have the power to play my music so loud it could break a window, but I do not have the authority to do so.



***Other examples:***

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# Power and Authority



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| Dictionary definition of power       | Dictionary definition of authority       |
| In your own words, power is ...      | In your own words, authority is...       |
| Examples of different types of power | Examples of different types of authority |
| Examples of the fair use of power    | Examples of the fair use of authority    |
| Examples of the abuse of power       | Examples of the abuse of authority       |