

smarting (*smart-ing*)

Definition

v. Present participle of smart, meaning to feel a sharp, stinging pain or to feel distress or embarrassment.

Example Sentence

After the fall, his knee was **smarting** for hours.

More Example Sentences

Her pride was **smarting** after the harsh criticism.

Synonyms

aching; stinging; hurting

Antonyms

soothing; comforting; healing

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