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① Paint and varnish are two commonly used finishes applied to wood and other materials. Here is a comparison between them in terms of appearance, application, protective, and drying time.

Varnish has ~~little~~ little or no colour, is transparent, and has no added pigment, as opposed to paints, which contain pigment and generally range from opaque to translucent. Varnishes are also applied over wood stains as a final step to achieve a film for gloss and protection. It is used when one wishes to retain the natural beauty of wood.