

List of Synonyms

A list of synonyms & antonyms for the 100 most often used words in the English language.

Action

Come	advance, approach, arrive, near, reach	Put	place, set, attach, establish, assign, keep, save, set aside, effect, achieve, do, build
Go	depart, disappear, fade, move, proceed, recede, travel	Take	hold, catch, seize, grasp, win, capture, acquire, pick, choose, select, prefer, remove, steal, lift, rob, engage, bewitch, purchase, buy, retract, recall, assume, occupy, consume
Run	dash, escape, elope, flee, hasten, hurry, race, rush, speed, sprint	Make	create, originate, invent, beget, form, construct, design, fabricate, manufacture, produce, build, develop, do, effect, execute, compose, perform, accomplish, earn, gain, obtain, acquire, get
Hurry	rush, run, speed, race, hasten, urge, accelerate, bustle	Break	fracture, rupture, shatter, smash, wreck, crash, demolish, atomize
Hide	conceal, cover, mask, cloak, camouflage, screen, shroud, veil	Destroy	ruin, demolish, raze, waste, kill, slay, end, extinguish
Move	plod, go, creep, crawl, inch, poke, drag, toddle, shuffle, trot, dawdle, walk, traipse, mosey, jog, plug, trudge, slump, lumber, trail, lag, run, sprint, trip, bound, hotfoot, high-tail, streak, stride, tear, breeze, whisk, rush, dash, dart, bolt, fling, scamper, scurry, skedaddle, scoot, scuttle, scramble, race, chase, hasten, hurry, hump, gallop, lope, accelerate, stir, budge, travel, wander, roam, journey, trek, ride, spin, slip, glide, slide, slither, coast, flow, sail, saunter, hobble, amble, stagger, paddle, slouch, prance, straggle, meander, perambulate, waddle, wobble, pace, swagger, promenade, lunge	Kill	slay, execute, assassinate, murder, destroy, cancel, abolish
Do	execute, enact, carry out, finish, conclude, effect, accomplish, achieve, attain	Cut	gash, slash, prick, nick, sever, slice, carve, cleave, slit, chop, crop, lop, reduce
Have	hold, possess, own, contain, acquire, gain, maintain, believe, bear, beget, occupy, absorb, fill, enjoy	Fall	drop, descend, plunge, topple, tumble
Use	employ, utilize, exhaust, spend, expend, consume, exercise	Fly	soar, hover, flit, wing, flee, waft, glide, coast, skim, sail, cruise
Get	acquire, obtain, secure, procure, gain, fetch, find, score, accumulate, win, earn, rep, catch, net, bag, derive, collect, gather, glean, pick up, accept, come by, regain, salvage	Decide	determine, settle, choose, resolve
Keep	hold, retain, withhold, preserve, maintain, sustain, support	Help	aid, assist, support, encourage, back, wait on, attend, serve, relieve, succor, benefit, befriend, abet
		Mark	label, tag, price, ticket, impress, effect, trace, imprint, stamp, brand, sign, note, heed, notice, designate
		Plan	plot, scheme, design, draw, map, diagram, procedure, arrangement, intention, device, contrivance, method, way, blueprint
		Show	display, exhibit, present, note, point to, indicate, explain, reveal, prove, demonstrate, expose

Antonyms

Begin	start, open, launch, initiate, commence, inaugurate, originate	Cool	chilly, cold, frosty, wintry, icy, frigid
End	stop, finish, terminate, conclude, close, halt, cessation, discontinuance, cease, halt, stay, pause, discontinue, conclude, finish, quit	Hot	feverish, warm, heated, sweltering, torrid, equatorial, tropical, erotic, passionate, spicy, peppery, pungent, sharp tangy, tart, fiery, flaming, sizzling, charged, burning, seared, chafed, inflamed, irritated, red, smarting, stinging
Big	large, enormous, huge, immense, gigantic, vast, colossal, gargantuan, sizable, grand, great, tall, substantial, mammoth, astronomical, ample, broad, expansive, spacious, stout, tremendous, titanic, mountainous	Quiet	silent, still, soundless, mute, tranquil, peaceful, calm, restful, hushed, inaudible <i>reticent, reserved, taciturn, secretive, uncommunicative, tightlipped</i>
Little	small, tiny, diminutive, shrimp, runt, miniature, puny, exiguous, dinky, cramped, limited, itsy-bitsy, microscopic, slight, petite, minute	Noisy	loudly, earsplitting, stentorian, strident, clamorous, boisterous, clangorous, deafening, roisterous, uproarious, pandemoniac
New	fresh, unique, original, unusual, novel, modern, current, recent	All	complete, entire, full, gross, outright, perfect, total, utter, whole, any, complete, every, sum, totality, each and every, every bit of, bar none, every single, everything, everyone
Old	feeble, frail, ancient, weak, aged, used, worn, dilapidated, ragged, faded, broken-down, former, old-fashioned, outmoded, passe, veteran, mature, venerable, primitive, traditional, archaic, conventional, customary, stale, musty, obsolete, extinct	None	nothing, nobody, no one, zero, zilch, no one at all, no part, not a bit, not a soul, not a thing, not any, not anyone, not anything, not one, nonexistent, null <i>nadir, nil, naught, void, nada, blank, nix</i>
False	wrong, fake, fraudulent, counterfeit, spurious, untrue, unfounded, erroneous, deceptive, groundless, fallacious, incorrect, inaccurate, mistaken, erroneous, improper, unsuitable	Normal	daily, traditional, familiar, routine, proper, ordinary, typical, everyday, usual, commonplace, natural, classic, standard, general, bona fide, established, habitual, orthodox, prevalent, run-of-the-mill, time-honored, unvarying, average, conventional, customary, common, regular, garden-variety, household, plain, simple, balanced
True	right, accurate, proper, precise, exact, valid, genuine, real, actual, trusty, steady, loyal, dependable, sincere, staunch, correct, accurate, factual, true, good, just, honest, upright, lawful, moral, proper, suitable, apt, legal, fair	Strange	abnormal, aberrant, anomalous, bent, bizarre, deviant, queer, eccentric, freakish, fanatical, odd, eerie, peculiar, weird, unorthodox, nonstandard, atypical, different, irregular, nonconforming, offbeat, unusual, extraordinary, insane, irrational, disorderly, rare, exceptional, extreme, outlandish
Fast	quick, rapid, speedy, fleet, hasty, snappy, mercurial, swiftly, rapidly, quickly, snappily, speedily, lickety-split, posthaste, hastily, expeditiously, like a flash		
Slow	unhurried, gradual, leisurely, late, behind, tedious, slack		

Feelings

Anger	enrage, infuriate, arouse, nettle, exasperate, inflame, madden	Love	like, admire, esteem, fancy, care for, cherish, adore, treasure, worship, appreciate, savor
Angry	mad, furious, enraged, excited, wrathful, indignant, exasperated, aroused, inflamed	Moody	temperamental, changeable, short-tempered, glum, morose, sullen, mopish, irritable, testy, peevish, fretful, spiteful, sulky, touchy
Calm	quiet, peaceful, still, tranquil, mild, serene, smooth, composed, collected, unruffled, level-headed, unexcited, detached, aloof	Sad	miserable, uncomfortable, wretched, heart-broken, unfortunate, poor, downhearted, sorrowful, depressed, dejected, melancholy, glum, gloomy, dismal, discouraged, unhappy
Eager	keen, fervent, enthusiastic, involved, interested, alive to	Scared	afraid, frightened, alarmed, terrified, panicked, fearful, unnerved, insecure, timid, shy, skittish, jumpy, disquieted, worried, vexed, troubled, disturbed, horrified, terrorized, shocked, petrified, haunted, timorous, shrinking, stupefied, paralyzed, stunned, apprehensive
Fear	fright, dread, terror, alarm, dismay, anxiety, scare, awe, horror, panic, apprehension		
Happy	pleased, contented, satisfied, delighted, elated, joyful, cheerful, ecstatic, jubilant, gay, tickled, gratified, glad, blissful		
Hate	despise, loathe, detest, abhor, disfavor, dislike, disapprove, abominate		

Negative

Awful	dreadful, terrible, abominable, bad, poor	Dull	boring, tiring, tiresome, uninteresting, slow, dumb, stupid, unimaginative, lifeless, dead, insensible, tedious, wearisome, listless, expressionless, plain, monotonous, humdrum, dreary
Bad	evil, immoral, wicked, corrupt, sinful, depraved, rotten, contaminated, spoiled, tainted, harmful, injurious, unfavorable, defective, inferior, imperfect, substandard, faulty, disagreeable, unpleasant, cross, nasty, irascible, horrible, atrocious, outrageous, scandalous, infamous, wrong, noxious, sinister, putrid, snide, deplorable, dismal, gross, heinous, nefarious, base, obnoxious, detestable, despicable, contemptible, foul, rank, ghastly, execrable	Fat	stout, corpulent, fleshy, beefy, paunchy, plump, full, rotund, tubby, pudgy, chubby, chunky, burly, bulky, elephantine
Crooked	bent, twisted, curved, hooked, zigzag	Gross	improper, rude, coarse, indecent, crude, vulgar, outrageous, extreme, grievous, shameful, uncouth, obscene, low
Dangerous	perilous, hazardous, risky, uncertain, unsafe	Lazy	indolent, slothful, idle, inactive, sluggish
Dilemma	quandary, dilemma, pickle, problem, plight, spot, scrape, jam, <i>predicament</i>	Trouble	distress, anguish, anxiety, worry, wretchedness, pain, danger, peril, disaster, grief, misfortune, difficulty, concern, pains, inconvenience, exertion, effort
Hurt	damage, harm, injure, wound, distress, afflict, pain	Ugly	hideous, frightful, frightening, shocking, horrible, unpleasant, monstrous, terrifying, gross, grisly, ghastly, horrid, unsightly, plain, homely, evil, repulsive, repugnant, gruesome
Dark	shadowy, unlit, murky, gloomy, dim, dusky, shaded, sunless, black, dismal, sad		

Positive

Amazing incredible, unbelievable, improbable, fabulous, wonderful, fantastic, astonishing, astounding, extraordinary

Beautiful pretty, lovely, handsome, attractive, gorgeous, dazzling, splendid, magnificent, comely, fair, ravishing, graceful, elegant, fine, exquisite, aesthetic, pleasing, shapely, delicate, stunning, glorious, heavenly, resplendent, radiant, glowing, blooming, sparkling

Brave courageous, fearless, dauntless, intrepid, plucky, daring, heroic, valorous, audacious, bold, gallant, valiant, doughty, mettlesome

Bright shining, shiny, gleaming, brilliant, sparkling, shimmering, radiant, vivid, colorful, lustrous, luminous, incandescent, intelligent, knowing, quick-witted, smart, intellectual

Delicious savory, delectable, appetizing, luscious, scrumptious, palatable, delightful, enjoyable, toothsome, exquisite

Enjoy appreciate, delight in, be pleased, indulge in, luxuriate in, bask in, relish, devour, savor, like

Famous well-known, renowned, celebrated, famed, eminent, illustrious, distinguished, noted, notorious

Descriptive

Describe portray, characterize, picture, narrate, relate, recount, represent, report, record

Difference disagreement, inequity, contrast, dissimilarity, incompatibility

Explain elaborate, clarify, define, interpret, justify, account for

Tell disclose, reveal, show, expose, uncover, relate, narrate, inform, advise, explain, divulge, declare, command, order, bid, recount, repeat

Idea thought, concept, conception, notion, understanding, opinion, plan, view, belief

Funny humorous, amusing, droll, comic, comical, laughable, silly

Good excellent, fine, superior, wonderful, marvelous, qualified, suited, suitable, apt, proper, capable, generous, kindly, friendly, gracious, obliging, pleasant, agreeable, pleasurable, satisfactory, well-behaved, obedient, honorable, reliable, trustworthy, safe, favorable, profitable, advantageous, righteous, expedient, helpful, valid, genuine, ample, salubrious, estimable, beneficial, splendid, great, noble, worthy, first-rate, top-notch, grand, sterling, superb, respectable, edifying

Great noteworthy, worthy, distinguished, remarkable, grand, considerable, powerful, much, mighty

Playful *mischievous*, prankish, naughty, roguish, waggish, impish, sportive

Neat clean, orderly, tidy, trim, dapper, natty, smart, elegant, well-organized, super, desirable, spruce, shipshape, well-kept, shapely

Popular well-liked, approved, accepted, favorite, celebrated, common, current

Look gaze, see, glance, watch, survey, study, seek, search for, peek, peep, glimpse, stare, contemplate, examine, gape, ogle, scrutinize, inspect, leer, behold, observe, view, witness, perceive, spy, sight, discover, notice, recognize, peer, eye, gawk, peruse, explore

Story tale, myth, legend, fable, yarn, account, narrative, chronicle, epic, sage, anecdote, record, memoir

Think judge, deem, assume, believe, consider, contemplate, reflect, mediate

Talk / Speech

Answer	reply, respond, retort, acknowledge
Ask	question, inquire of, seek information from, put a question to, demand, request, expect, inquire, query, interrogate, examine, quiz
Cry	shout, yell, yowl, scream, roar, bellow, weep, wail, sob, bawl
Mean	add up to, affect, be important, be of value, be substantive, carry weight, connote, count, denote, express, imply, intend, involve, signify, spell, stand for, suggest, value, weigh in

Say/Tell	inform, notify, advise, relate, recount, narrate, explain, reveal, disclose, divulge, declare, command, order, bid, enlighten, instruct, insist, teach, train, direct, issue, remark, converse, speak, affirm, suppose, utter, negate, express, verbalize, voice, articulate, pronounce, deliver, convey, impart, assert, state, allege, mutter, mumble, whisper, sigh, exclaim, yell, sing, yelp, snarl, hiss, grunt, snort, roar, bellow, thunder, boom, scream, shriek, screech, squawk, whine, philosophize, stammer, stutter, lisp, drawl, jabber, protest, announce, swear, vow, content, assure, deny, dispute
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Unsorted

Somewhata	little, sort of, kind of, a bit, relatively, slightly, moderately, to some extent / degree, reasonably, partially, more or less, not much <i>rather, quite, fairly, by a long shot, by far, rather, significantly, well</i>
Somehow	in a way, virtually, to a certain extent, in some measure, to some extent, to a certain degree, quasi, in a manner of speaking, effectively <i>anyhow, anyway, anyways, by hook or by crook, another, howsoever, in any way, somehow or other, someway, by some means</i>
Definite	certain, sure, positive, determined, clear, distinct, obvious
Fair	just, impartial, unbiased, objective, unprejudiced, honest

Important	necessary, vital, critical, indispensable, valuable, essential, significant, primary, principal, considerable, famous, distinguished, notable, well-known
Interesting	fascinating, engaging, sharp, keen, bright, intelligent, animated, spirited, attractive, inviting, intriguing, provocative, thought-provoking, challenging, inspiring, involving, moving, titillating, tantalizing, exciting, entertaining, piquant, lively, racy, spicy, engrossing, absorbing, consuming, gripping, arresting, enthralling, spellbinding, curious, captivating, enchanting, bewitching, appealing
Part	portion, share, piece, allotment, section, fraction, fragment
Place	space, area, spot, plot, region, location, situation, position, residence, dwelling, set, site, station, status, state