

Need another word that means the same as “adage”? Find 16 synonyms and 30 related words for “adage” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Adage” are: byword, proverb, saw, saying, maxim, axiom, aphorism, dictum, precept, epigram, epigraph, motto, truism, platitude, cliché, commonplace

Adage as a Noun

Definitions of "Adage" as a noun

According to the [Oxford Dictionary of English](#), “adage” as a noun can have the following definitions:

- *A condensed but memorable saying embodying some important fact of experience that is taken as true by many people.*
- *A proverb or short statement expressing a general truth.*

Synonyms of "Adage" as a noun (16 Words)

[aphorism](#)

A concise statement of a scientific principle, typically by a classical author.
*The old **aphorism** the child is father to the man.*

[axiom](#)

A saying that is widely accepted on its own merits.
*The **axiom** that sport builds character.*

byword

A condensed but memorable saying embodying some important fact of experience that is taken as true by many people.
*His name became a **byword** for luxury.*

cliché

A trite or obvious remark.

commonplace	A notable passage in a work copied into a commonplace book. <i>Bombing has become almost a commonplace of public life there.</i>
<u>dictum</u>	An opinion voiced by a judge on a point of law not directly bearing on the case in question and therefore not binding. <i>The old dictum might is right.</i>
epigram	A short poem, especially a satirical one, with a witty or ingenious ending. <i>A Wildean epigram.</i>
epigraph	An engraved inscription.
<u>maxim</u>	A short, pithy statement expressing a general truth or rule of conduct. <i>The maxim that actions speak louder than words.</i>
motto	A favorite saying of a sect or political group. <i>The family motto is Faithful though Unfortunate.</i>
<u>platitude</u>	A trite or obvious remark. <i>She began uttering liberal platitudes.</i>
precept	A rate or tax set by a precept. <i>Children learn far more by example than by precept.</i>
proverb	A short, well-known pithy saying, stating a general truth or piece of advice.
<u>saw</u>	A serrated organ or part such as the toothed snout of a sawfish.
saying	A short, pithy, commonly known expression which generally offers advice or wisdom. <i>This is stated in the sayings of the Prophet.</i>
truism	An obvious truth. <i>The truism that you get what you pay for.</i>

Usage Examples of "Adage" as a noun

- *The old adage 'out of sight out of mind.'*

Associations of "Adage" (30 Words)

advise	Give advice to. <i>You will be advised of the requirements.</i>
agreeably	In an enjoyable manner. <i>An agreeably warm day.</i>
<u>allegory</u>	A visible symbol representing an abstract idea. <i>Pilgrim s Progress is an allegory of the spiritual journey.</i>

<u>aphorism</u>	A pithy observation which contains a general truth. <i>The opening sentence of the first aphorism of Hippocrates.</i>
apologue	A moral fable, especially one with animals as characters.
<u>aver</u>	Report or maintain. <i>I don't have to do anything it's his problem he averred.</i>
<u>axiom</u>	(logic) a proposition that is not susceptible of proof or disproof; its truth is assumed to be self-evident. <i>The axiom that sport builds character.</i>
colloquial	(of language) used in ordinary or familiar conversation; not formal or literary. <i>Colloquial and everyday language.</i>
conversationalist	Someone skilled at conversation. <i>An entertaining conversationalist.</i>
epigram	A pithy saying or remark expressing an idea in a clever and amusing way. <i>A Wildean epigram.</i>
fable	A short story, typically with animals as characters, conveying a moral. <i>I do not dream nor fable.</i>
iterate	Run or be performed again. <i>The bird's call is a monotonously iterated single note.</i>
locution	An utterance regarded in terms of its intrinsic meaning or reference, as distinct from its function or purpose in context. <i>His impeccable locution.</i>
<u>maxim</u>	English inventor (born in the United States) who invented the Maxim gun that was used in World War I (1840-1916). <i>The maxim that actions speak louder than words.</i>
mean	Mean or intend to express or convey. <i>An example sentence would show what this word means.</i>
motto	A favorite saying of a sect or political group. <i>The family motto is Faithful though Unfortunate.</i>
<u>ode</u>	A lyric poem with complex stanza forms.
parable	Any of the stories told by Jesus to convey his religious message. <i>A modern day parable.</i>
<u>poem</u>	A composition written in metrical feet forming rhythmical lines. <i>Lyric poems.</i>
proverb	A short, well-known pithy saying, stating a general truth or piece of advice.

quip	Make jokes or quips. <i>Peter ate heartily with a quip about being a condemned man.</i>
quote	A passage or expression that is quoted or cited. <i>Heavy teaching loads are often quoted as a bad influence on research.</i>
raconteur	A person who tells anecdotes in a skilful and amusing way. <i>A colourful raconteur.</i>
reportedly	According to reports or other information. <i>He was in El Salvador reportedly on his way to Texas.</i>
say	Indicate. <i>The clock says noon.</i>
saying	A short, pithy, commonly known expression which generally offers advice or wisdom. <i>This is stated in the sayings of the Prophet.</i>
sonnet	Celebrate in a sonnet. <i>He sonneted his hostess now.</i>
spell	Place under a spell. <i>Dolly spelled her name.</i>
talk	The act of giving a talk to an audience. <i>Keep on walking and talk your way out of it.</i>
tell	A Swiss patriot who lived in the early 14th century and who was renowned for his skill as an archer; according to legend an Austrian governor compelled him to shoot an apple from his son's head with his crossbow (which he did successfully without mishap). <i>I tell you that man is a crook.</i>