

Need another word that means the same as “affirmative”? Find 27 synonyms and 30 related words for “affirmative” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Affirmative” are: affirmatory, optimistic, approbative, approbatory, approving, plausible, positive, consenting, concurring, corroborative, favourable, encouraging, supportive, in the affirmative, reassuring, sympathetic, sensitive, understanding, helpful, agreement, acceptance, approval, confirmation, assent, ratification, acquiescence, concurrence

Affirmative as a Noun

Definitions of "Affirmative" as a noun

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

- *A statement asserting that something is true of the subject of a proposition.*
- *A position of agreement or confirmation.*
- *A statement of agreement with or consent to an assertion or request.*
- *A word used in making assertions or to express consent.*
- *A reply of affirmation.*



Synonyms of "Affirmative" as a noun (8 Words)

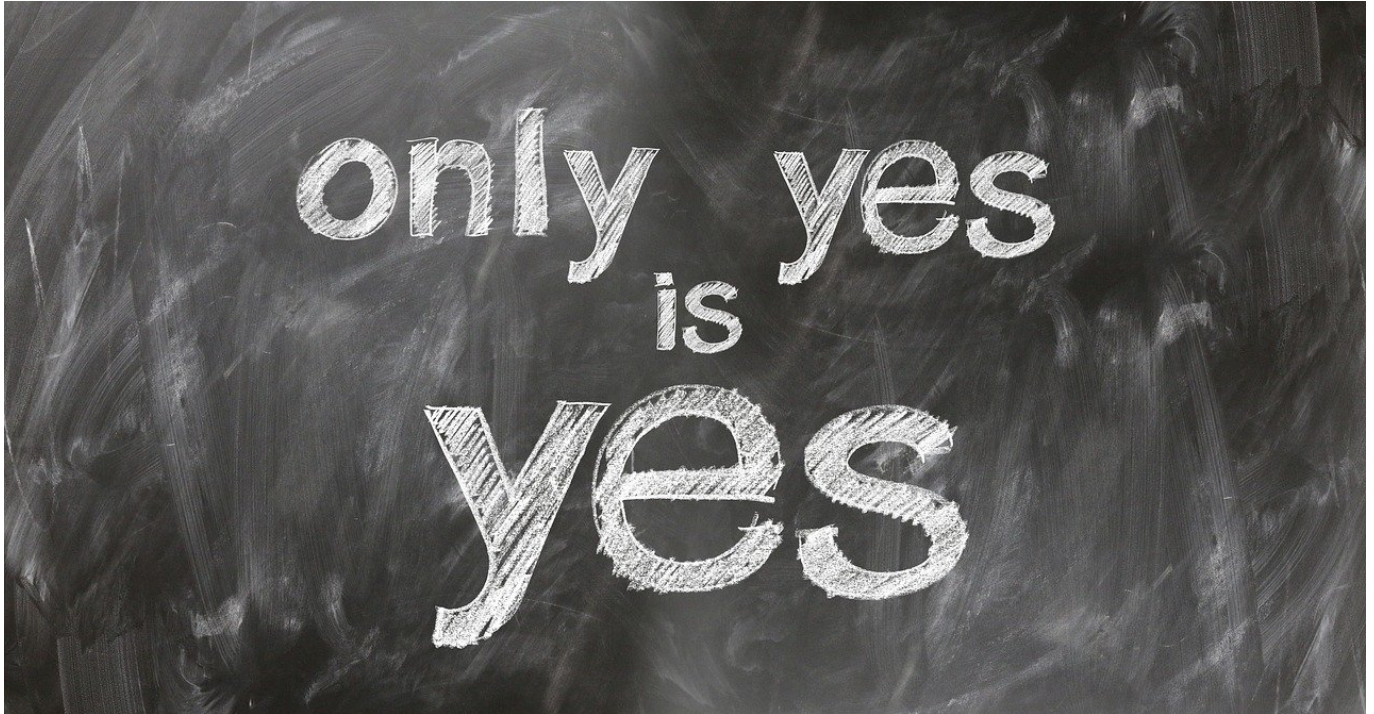
- acceptance** The act of accepting with approval; favorable reception.
*Her **acceptance** of the gift encouraged him.*
- acquiescence** Agreement with a statement or proposal to do something.
*A murmur of **acquiescence** from the assembly.*
- agreement** A negotiated and typically legally binding arrangement between parties as to a course of action.
***Agreement** between experimental observations and theory.*
- approval** The action of approving something.
*His decision merited the **approval** of any sensible person.*
- assent** Official agreement or sanction.
*A loud murmur of **assent**.*
- concurrence** Agreement of results or opinions.
*The incidental **concurrence** of two separate tumours.*

- confirmation** The action of confirming something or the state of being confirmed.
*The kind of joy mixed with tears one finds at weddings and **confirmations**.*
- ratification** Making something valid by formally ratifying or confirming it.
***Ratification** of the treaty raised problems in several member states.*



Usage Examples of "Affirmative" as a noun

- *He accepted her reply as an affirmative.*
- *His answer veered towards the affirmative.*
- *He answered in the affirmative.*



Affirmative as an Adjective

Definitions of "Affirmative" as an adjective

According to the [Oxford Dictionary of English](#), "affirmative" as an adjective can have the following definitions:

- *Active and explicit or unequivocal.*
- *Affirming or giving assent.*
- *Expecting the best.*
- *Relating to or denoting proposed legislation which must receive a parliamentary vote in its favour before it can come into force.*
- *(of a vote) expressing approval or agreement.*
- *Agreeing with or consenting to a statement or request.*
- *Supportive, hopeful, or encouraging.*
- *Expressing or manifesting praise or approval.*
- *Stating that a fact is so; making an assertion.*

Synonyms of "Affirmative" as an adjective (19 Words)

affirmatory	Agreeing with or confirming a statement. <i>Affirmatory resolutions.</i>
approbative	Expressing or manifesting praise or approval. <i>Approbative criticism.</i>
approbatory	Expressing or manifesting praise or approval.
approving	Expressing or manifesting praise or approval. <i>The wine drew approving comments from across the table.</i>
concurring	Being of the same opinion.
consenting	Having given consent. <i>Consenting adults.</i>
corroborative	Serving to support or corroborate.
encouraging	Furnishing support and encouragement. <i>The results are very encouraging.</i>
favourable	Occurring at a convenient or suitable time. <i>Their demands rarely received a favourable response.</i>
helpful	Providing assistance or serving a useful function. <i>People are friendly and helpful.</i>
in the affirmative	Currently fashionable.
<u>optimistic</u>	Expecting the best. <i>The government was optimistic that reform would take place.</i>
plausive	Expressing or manifesting praise or approval.
positive	Having a positive charge. <i>The less he knows the more positive he gets.</i>
<u>reassuring</u>	Serving or intended to remove someone's doubts or fears. <i>The news is very reassuring.</i>
<u>sensitive</u>	Responsive to physical stimuli. <i>Sensitive skin.</i>
supportive	Furnishing support or assistance. <i>His family was supportive of his attempts to be a writer.</i>
<u>sympathetic</u>	Evoking empathic or sympathetic feelings. <i>She was sympathetic towards staff with family problems.</i>
understanding	Characterized by understanding based on comprehension and discernment and empathy. <i>A kind and understanding man.</i>

Usage Examples of "Affirmative" as an adjective

- An affirmative outlook.
- Regulations under the Bill would be subject to the affirmative procedure.
- The family is usually a source of encouragement from which affirmative influences come.
- An affirmative answer.
- They have an affirmative duty to stop crime in their buildings.
- An affirmative nod.
- Affirmative sentences.
- Affirmative votes.
- An affirmative decision.

Associations of "Affirmative" (30 Words)

accede	Yield to another's wish or opinion. <i>Elizabeth I acceded to the throne in 1558.</i>
acknowledge	Show that one has noticed or recognized (someone) by making a gesture or greeting. <i>We must acknowledge the kindness she showed towards us.</i>
affirmation	A formal declaration by a person who declines to take an oath. <i>An affirmation of basic human values.</i>
agree	Be agreeable or suitable. <i>She agreed to all my conditions.</i>
approbation	Official approval. <i>A term of approbation.</i>
approval	The action of approving something. <i>He bought it on approval.</i>
approving	The formal act of approving. <i>The wine drew approving comments from across the table.</i>
assent	To agree or express agreement. <i>The Prime Minister assented to the change.</i>
assured	Marked by assurance; exhibiting confidence. <i>She paints with an assured hand.</i>
bullish	Aggressively confident and self-assertive. <i>The market was bullish.</i>

<u>certainly</u>	Used to emphasize the speaker's belief that what is said is true. <i>She certainly is a hard worker.</i>
comity	A state or atmosphere of harmony or mutual civility and respect. <i>A show of public comity in the White House.</i>
confirming	Indicating existence or presence of a suspected condition or pathogen.
<u>consent</u>	Agree to do something. <i>He consented to a search by a detective.</i>
convinced	Firm in one's belief with regard to a particular cause or issue. <i>Were convinced that it would be to their advantage to join.</i>
effectively	In actuality or reality or fact. <i>Make sure that resources are used effectively.</i>
<u>favorable</u>	Occurring at a convenient or suitable time. <i>Listened with a favorable ear.</i>
<u>inevitable</u>	Invariably occurring or appearing. <i>By the morning he had accepted the inevitable.</i>
<u>necessarily</u>	In an essential manner. <i>It is necessarily so.</i>
obliging	Willing to do a service or kindness; helpful. <i>It s very obliging of him.</i>
optimism	The doctrine, especially as set forth by Leibniz, that this world is the best of all possible worlds. <i>The talks had been amicable and there were grounds for optimism.</i>
optimist	A person disposed to take a favorable view of things. <i>Only an eternal optimist could expect success.</i>
<u>optimistic</u>	Expecting the best. <i>The government was optimistic that reform would take place.</i>
positive	A positive photographic image especially one printed from a negative. <i>He is HIV positive.</i>
proton	A stable subatomic particle occurring in all atomic nuclei, with a positive electric charge equal in magnitude to that of an electron.
recognized	Provided with a secure reputation. <i>A recognized authority.</i>
sanguine	A blood-red stain used in blazoning. <i>He is sanguine about prospects for the global economy.</i>
unthreatening	Not unfriendly or threatening. <i>A quiet and unthreatening place.</i>

upbeat

A contented state of being happy and healthy and prosperous.
*He was **upbeat** about the company's future.*

yes

An affirmative answer or decision, especially in voting.
*I was hoping for a **yes**.*