

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)

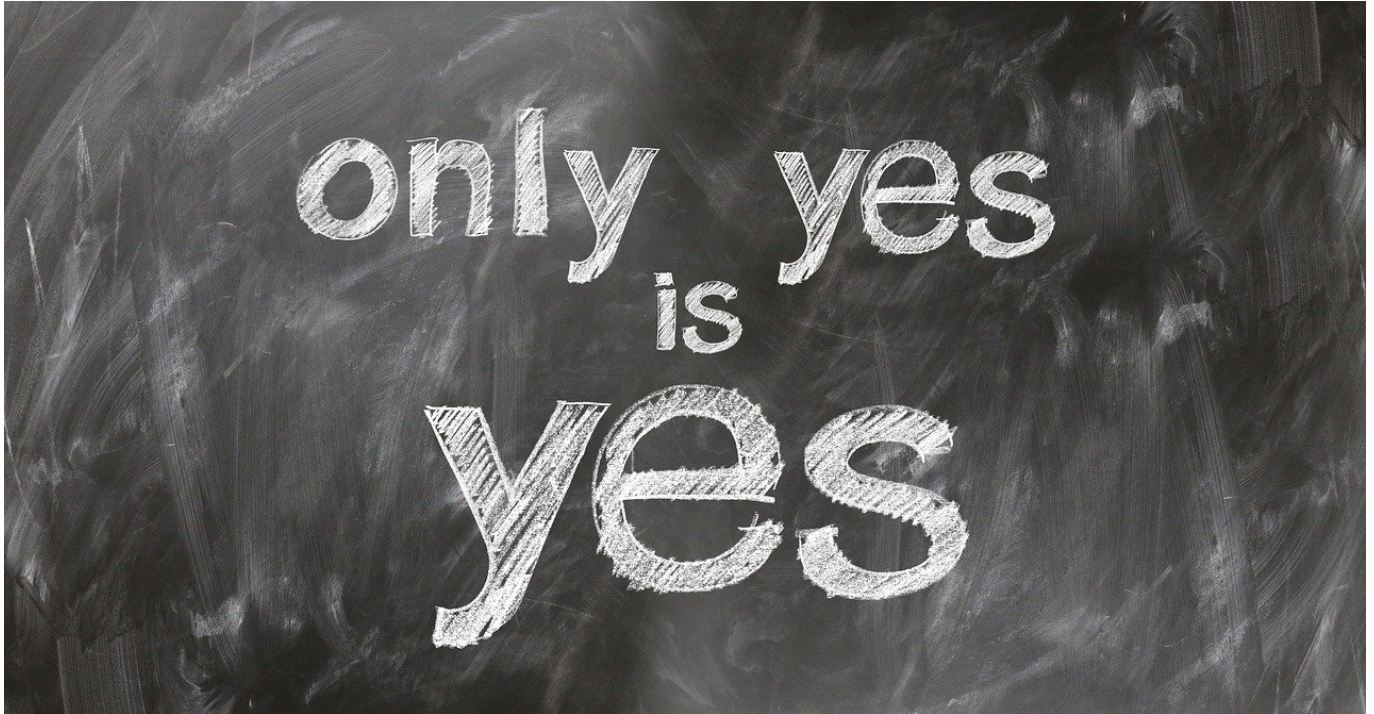
- acceptance** The act of accepting with approval; favorable reception.  
*Her **acceptance** of the gift encouraged him.*
- acquiescence** Agreement with a statement or proposal to do something.  
*A murmur of **acquiescence** from the assembly.*
- agreement** A negotiated and typically legally binding 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)

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

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

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