

Need another word that means the same as “alleviate”? Find 35 synonyms and 30 related words for “alleviate” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Alleviate” are: ease, facilitate, assuage, palliate, relieve, reduce, take the edge off, deaden, dull, diminish, lessen, weaken, lighten, attenuate, allay, damp, soothe, help, soften, temper, control, still, quell, tone down, blunt, dilute, moderate, mitigate, modify, abate, lull, pacify, placate, mollify, sweeten**

## **Alleviate as a Verb**

### **Definitions of "Alleviate" as a verb**

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

- *Provide physical relief, as from pain.*
- *Make easier.*
- *Make (suffering, deficiency, or a problem) less severe.*



## Synonyms of "Alleviate" as a verb (35 Words)

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| <b>abate</b>     | Make less active or intense.<br><i>The storm <b>abated</b>.</i>   |
| <b>allay</b>     | Diminish or put at rest (fear, suspicion, or worry).<br><i>The report attempted to educate the public and <b>allay</b> fears.</i> |
| <b>assuage</b>   | Make (an unpleasant feeling) less intense.<br><i>The letter <b>assuaged</b> the fears of most members.</i>                        |
| <b>attenuate</b> | Become weaker, in strength, value, or magnitude.<br><i>Her intolerance was <b>attenuated</b> by an unexpected liberalism.</i>     |
| <b>blunt</b>     | Make dull or blunt.<br><i>Terror <b>blunted</b> her feelings.</i>   |
| <b>control</b>   | Exercise authoritative control or power over.<br><i>He had to <b>control</b> his temper.</i>                                      |

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| <b>damp</b>       | Reduce or stop the vibration of (the strings of a piano or other musical instrument) so as to reduce the volume of sound.<br><i>An ensemble of drums including a foot <b>damped</b> instrument.</i> |
| <b>deaden</b>     | Make vapid or deprive of spirit.<br><i><b>Deadened</b> wine.</i>  |
| <b>dilute</b>     | Reduce the value of (a shareholding) by issuing more shares in a company without increasing the values of its assets.<br><i>Bleach can be <b>diluted</b> with cold water.</i>                       |
| <b>diminish</b>   | Cause to seem less impressive or valuable.<br><i>The trial has aged and <b>diminished</b> him.</i>  |
| <b>dull</b>       | Make dull in appearance.<br><i>Age had <b>dulled</b> the surface.</i>   |
| <b>ease</b>       | Of share prices interest rates etc decrease in value or amount.<br><i>Tokyo s dominance of government was deemed to <b>ease</b> efficient contact making.</i>                                       |
| <b>facilitate</b> | Make (an action or process) easy or easier.<br><i>You could <b>facilitate</b> the process by sharing your knowledge.</i>  |
| <b>help</b>       | Help to some food help with food or drink.<br><i>I m sorry to put you to any inconvenience but it can t be <b>helped</b>.</i>   |
| <b>lessen</b>     | Make smaller.<br><i>The warmth of the afternoon <b>lessened</b>.</i>  |
| <b>lighten</b>    | Reduce the weight on; make lighter.<br><i><b>Lighten</b> the burden of caring for her elderly parents.</i>  |
| <b>lull</b>       | Become quiet or less intensive.<br><i>The rarity of earthquakes there has <b>lulled</b> people into a false sense of security.</i>  |
| <b>mitigate</b>   | Make (something bad) less severe, serious, or painful.<br><i>Drainage schemes have helped to <b>mitigate</b> this problem.</i>  |
| <b>moderate</b>   | Make less strong or intense; soften.<br><i><b>Moderate</b> your speed.</i>  |
| <b>modify</b>     | Make less severe or harsh or extreme.<br><i>Please <b>modify</b> this letter to make it more polite.</i>  |
| <b>mollify</b>    | Appease the anger or anxiety of (someone).<br><i>She managed to <b>mollify</b> the angry customer.</i>  |
| <b>pacify</b>     | Cause to be more favorably inclined; gain the good will of.<br><i>The U N troops are working to <b>pacify</b> Bosnia.</i>   |

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| <b>palliate</b>          | Disguise the seriousness of (an offence).<br><i>This eliminated or at least <b>palliated</b> suspicions aroused by German unity.</i>    |
| <b>placate</b>           | Make (someone) less angry or hostile.<br><i>They attempted to <b>placate</b> the students with promises.</i>                            |
| <b>quell</b>             | Overcome or allay.<br><i><b>Quell</b> my hunger.</i>  |
| <b>reduce</b>            | Reduce in size reduce physically.<br><i><b>Reduce</b> a problem to a single question.</i>   |
| <b>relieve</b>           | Relieve oneself of troubling information.<br><i>The bird's body is black <b>relieved</b> only by white under the tail.</i>              |
| <b>soften</b>            | Make less severe or harsh.<br><i>The bread will <b>soften</b> if you pour some liquid on it.</i>  |
| <b>soothe</b>            | Give moral or emotional strength to.<br><i>A shot of brandy might <b>soothe</b> his nerves.</i>   |
| <b>still</b>             | Make or become still quieten.<br><i>The din in the hall <b>stilled</b>.</i>   |
| <b>sweeten</b>           | Make sweeter, more pleasant, or more agreeable.<br><i>There is no way to <b>sweeten</b> the statement.</i>                              |
| <b>take the edge off</b> | Make a film or photograph of something.   |
| <b>temper</b>            | Make more temperate acceptable or suitable by adding something else moderate.<br><i>Their idealism is <b>tempered</b> with realism.</i> |
| <b>tone down</b>         | Vary the pitch of one's speech.   |
| <b>weaken</b>            | Lessen in force or effect.<br><i>Fault lines had <b>weakened</b> and shattered the rocks.</i>   |



## **Usage Examples of "Alleviate" as a verb**

- *Measures to alleviate unemployment.*
- *He couldn't prevent her pain, only alleviate it.*



## Associations of "Alleviate" (30 Words)

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| <b>abate</b>         | Reduce or remove (a nuisance).<br><i>The storm suddenly <b>abated</b>.</i>   |
| <b>allay</b>         | Diminish or put at rest (fear, suspicion, or worry).<br><i>Some stale figs partly <b>allayed</b> our hunger.</i>   |
| <b>appease</b>       | Pacify or placate (someone) by acceding to their demands.<br><i>Amendments have been added to <b>appease</b> local pressure groups.</i>  |
| <b>assuage</b>       | Satisfy (an appetite or desire).<br><i>The letter <b>assuaged</b> the fears of most members.</i>   |
| <b>conciliate</b>    | Gain (esteem or goodwill).<br><i>All complaints about charges will be <b>conciliated</b> if possible.</i>  |
| <b>diminish</b>      | Lessen the authority, dignity, or reputation of.<br><i>The new law is expected to <b>diminish</b> the government's chances.</i>  |
| <b>ease</b>          | Of share prices interest rates etc decrease in value or amount.<br><i>He <b>eased</b> himself into the chair.</i>  |
| <b>emollient</b>     | Toiletry consisting of any of various substances in the form of a thick liquid that have a soothing and moisturizing effect when applied to the skin.<br><i>A rich <b>emollient</b> shampoo.</i>               |
| <b>extenuate</b>     | Cause (an offence) to seem less serious.<br><i>The circumstances <b>extenuate</b> the crime.</i>   |
| <b>facilitate</b>    | Make easier.<br><i>Schools were located in the same campus to <b>facilitate</b> the sharing of resources.</i>  |
| <b>lessen</b>        | Decrease in size, extent, or range.<br><i>The warmth of the afternoon <b>lessened</b>.</i>   |
| <b>licensee</b>      | Someone to whom a license is granted.  |
| <b>mitigate</b>      | Make less severe or harsh.<br><i>There had been a provocation that <b>mitigated</b> the offence to a degree.</i>   |
| <b>mitigation</b>    | A partial excuse to mitigate censure; an attempt to represent an offense as less serious than it appears by showing mitigating circumstances.<br><i>The identification and <b>mitigation</b> of pollution.</i> |
| <b>mollification</b> | The act of appeasing someone or causing someone to be more favorably inclined.<br><i>His unsuccessful <b>mollification</b> of the mob.</i>   |
| <b>mollify</b>       | Make more temperate, acceptable, or suitable by adding something else.<br><i>The women hoped to <b>mollify</b> the harsh wilderness environment.</i>   |



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| <b>pacify</b>     | Fight violence and try to establish peace in (a location).<br><i>He had to <b>pacify</b> angry spectators.</i>  |
| <b>palliate</b>   | Lessen or to try to lessen the seriousness or extent of.<br><i>This eliminated or at least <b>palliated</b> suspicions aroused by German unity.</i>   |
| <b>palliation</b> | To act in such a way as to cause an offense to seem less serious.   |
| <b>placate</b>    | Make (someone) less angry or hostile.<br><i>They attempted to <b>placate</b> the students with promises.</i>  |
| <b>quench</b>     | An act of quenching a very hot substance.<br><b>Quench</b> a rebellion.   |
| <b>rarefy</b>     | Weaken the consistency of (a chemical substance).<br><i>As the shell continues to expand and <b>rarefy</b> astronomers may eventually be able to see characteristic gamma rays from the radioactivity within.</i> |
| <b>relent</b>     | Give in, as to influence or pressure.<br><i>The rain <b>relented</b>.</i>   |
| <b>relieve</b>    | Relieve oneself of troubling information.<br><i>Train your dog to <b>relieve</b> itself where you want it to.</i>   |
| <b>remission</b>  | A payment of money sent to a person in another place.<br><i>The scheme allows for the partial <b>remission</b> of tuition fees.</i>   |
| <b>remit</b>      | Law the act of remitting especially the referral of a law case to another court.<br><i>The request for an investigation was <b>remitted</b> to a special committee.</i>   |
| <b>slacken</b>    | Make less active or fast.<br><i>The rope <b>slackened</b>.</i>  |
| <b>slake</b>      | Satisfy (desires).<br><b>Slake</b> your thirst with citron press.   |
| <b>soften</b>     | Become soft or softer.<br><i>The bread will <b>soften</b> if you pour some liquid on it.</i>  |
| <b>soothe</b>     | Gently calm (a person or their feelings).<br><i>The medicine <b>soothes</b> the pain of the inflammation.</i>   |