

Need another word that means the same as “animate”? Find 46 synonyms and 30 related words for “animate” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Animate” are: animise, animate, enliven, exalt, inspire, invigorate, liven, liven up, quicken, reanimate, recreate, renovate, repair, revive, revivify, vivify, operate, switch on, turn on, start, start off, start up, set going, get going, trigger off, trigger, trip, set in motion, actuate, initiate, initialize, energize, vitalize, give life to, give new life to, breathe life into, breathe new life into, light up, cheer up, gladden, sentient, living, alive, live, breathing, conscious

Animate as a Verb

Definitions of "Animate" as a verb

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

- *Heighten or intensify.*
- *Make lively.*
- *Give new life or energy to.*
- *Bring to life.*
- *Give lifelike qualities to.*
- *Give (a film or character) the appearance of movement using animation techniques.*
- *Give inspiration, encouragement, or renewed vigour to.*



Synonyms of "Animate" as a verb (40 Words)

actuate	Cause (someone) to act in a particular way; motivate. <i>Actuate the circuits.</i>
animise	Give lifelike qualities to.
animate	Give lifelike qualities to.
breathe life into	Allow the passage of air through.
breathe new life into	Impart as if by breathing.
cheer up	Show approval or good wishes by shouting.
energize	Raise to a higher energy level. <i>People were energized by his ideas.</i>
enliven	Heighten or intensify. <i>The visit had clearly enlivened my mother.</i>
exalt	Heighten or intensify. <i>Romanticism liberated the imagination and exalted the emotions.</i>

get going	Reach a destination; arrive by movement or progress.
give life to	Place into the hands or custody of.
give new life to	Contribute to some cause.
gladden	Make glad. <i>The high childish laugh was a sound that gladdened her heart.</i>
initialize	Set to the value or put in the condition appropriate to the start of an operation. <i>The counter is initialized to one.</i>
initiate	Accept people into an exclusive society or group, usually with some rite. <i>She had been formally initiated into the movement.</i>
inspire	Give rise to. <i>They can expand their lungs and inspire enough gas to satisfy oxygen requirements.</i>
invigorate	Give strength or energy to. <i>The cold water invigorated him.</i>
light up	Begin to smoke.
liven	Make or become more lively or interesting. <i>Let s liven up this room a bit.</i>
liven up	Raise.
operate	Happen. <i>Neither company had operated within the terms of its constitution.</i>
quicken	Show signs of life. <i>Her interest quickened.</i>
reanimate	Give fresh vigour or impetus to. <i>His personal dislike of the man was reanimated.</i>
recreate	Give new life or energy to. <i>The students all recreate alike.</i>
renovate	Make brighter and prettier. <i>My wife wants us to renovate.</i>
repair	Restore (something damaged, faulty, or worn) to a good condition. <i>Repair an oversight.</i>
revive	Improve the position or condition of. <i>Both men collapsed but were revived.</i>
revivify	Give new life or energy to. <i>They revivified a wine industry that had all but vanished.</i>
set going	Arrange attractively.

set in motion	Become gelatinous.
start	Set in motion cause to start. <i>Fees start at 300.</i>
start off	Move or jump suddenly, as if in surprise or alarm.
start up	Begin an event that is implied and limited by the nature or inherent function of the direct object.
switch on	Reverse (a direction, attitude, or course of action.
trigger	Release or pull the trigger on. <i>Trigger a reaction.</i>
trigger off	Put in motion or move to act.
trip	Make a trip for pleasure. <i>He tripped over his cat.</i>
turn on	Change orientation or direction, also in the abstract sense.
vitalize	Give life to. <i>Yoga calms and vitalizes body and mind.</i>
vivify	Give new life or energy to. <i>His remarks always vivify an otherwise dull story.</i>



Usage Examples of "Animate" as a verb

- *She has animated the government with a sense of political direction.*
- *Prometheus stole fire from heaven to animate his clay men.*
- *Much-loved characters have been animated in this Franco-Canadian co-production.*
- *Animated cartoons.*



Animate as an Adjective

Definitions of "Animate" as an adjective

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

- *Alive or having life.*
- *Belonging to the class of nouns that denote living beings.*
- *Endowed with animal life as distinguished from plant life.*
- *Endowed with feeling and unstructured consciousness.*
- *Endowed with feeling and unstructured consciousness- T.E.Lawrence.*



Synonyms of "Animate" as an adjective (6 Words)

- alive** Swarming or teeming with.
*Burned **alive**.*
- breathing** Passing or able to pass air in and out of the lungs normally; sometimes used in combination.
*The heavy **breathing** person on the telephone.*
- conscious** Concerned with or worried about a particular matter.
*A **conscious** policy.*
- live** Of current relevance.
*A **live** television program.*
- living** Of a place used for living rather than working in.
*Streams of **living** water.*
- sentient** Consciously perceiving.
*A boy so **sentient** of his surroundings.*



Usage Examples of "Animate" as an adjective

- *Gods in a wide variety of forms, both animate and inanimate.*
- *The word `dog' is animate.*
- *We are animate beings.*



Associations of "Animate" (30 Words)

- active** An active form of a verb.
*On **active** duty.*
- catalyst** A substance that increases the rate of a chemical reaction without itself undergoing any permanent chemical change.
*Chlorine acts as a **catalyst** promoting the breakdown of ozone.*
- [catalyze](#) Change by catalysis or cause to catalyze.
- [cheer](#) Cause somebody to feel happier or more cheerful.
*She tried to **cheer** up the disappointed child when he failed to win the spelling bee.*
- encourage** Spur on.
*The intention is to **encourage** new writing talent.*
- [enliven](#) Make (something) more entertaining, interesting, or appealing.
*The wartime routine was **enlivened** by a series of concerts.*

<u>exhort</u>	Force or impel in an indicated direction. <i>Come on you guys exhorted Linda.</i>
hearten	Give encouragement to. <i>She was heartened to observe that the effect was faintly comic.</i>
impregnate	Soak or saturate (something) with a substance. <i>He was obliged to marry the woman he d impregnated.</i>
<u>inculcate</u>	Instil (an idea, attitude, or habit) by persistent instruction. <i>Inculcate values into the young generation.</i>
<u>induce</u>	Bring on (the birth of a baby) artificially, typically by the use of drugs. <i>The ads induced me to buy a VCR.</i>
infuse	Teach and impress by frequent repetitions or admonitions. <i>Allow the mixture to infuse for 15 minutes.</i>
inspire	Draw in (air). <i>The article about the artist inspired the exhibition of his recent work.</i>
<u>instigate</u>	Incite someone to do something, especially something bad. <i>They instigated a reign of terror.</i>
<u>instill</u>	Teach and impress by frequent repetitions or admonitions. <i>Instill medication into my eye.</i>
<u>invigorate</u>	Impart vigor, strength, or vitality to. <i>The shower had invigorated her.</i>
<u>invoke</u>	Summon (a spirit) by charms or incantation. <i>The antiquated defence of insanity is rarely invoked in England.</i>
<u>motivate</u>	Request (something) and present facts and arguments in support of one's request. <i>He was primarily motivated by the desire for profit.</i>
pep	Make someone or something more lively or interesting. <i>He was an enthusiastic player full of pep.</i>
<u>provoke</u>	Evoke or provoke to appear or occur. <i>The decision provoked a storm of protest from civil rights organizations.</i>
reanimate	Give new life or energy to. <i>In the vain hope of being reanimated he left his body to science.</i>
revive	Give new life or energy to. <i>Many pagan traditions are being revived.</i>
sensate	Having physical sensation. <i>The sensate world.</i>
<u>sentient</u>	Consciously perceiving- W.A.White. <i>Sentient of the intolerable load.</i>

spur	Goad with spurs. <i>Governments cut interest rates to spur demand.</i>
stimulate	Act as a stimulant. <i>The reader could not fail to be stimulated by the ideas presented.</i>
transfuse	Cause (something or someone) to be permeated or infused by something. <i>It is usual to transfuse blood screened for cytomegalovirus.</i>
urge	Push for something. <i>Sexual urges.</i>
vitalism	A doctrine that life is a vital principle distinct from physics and chemistry.
vivify	Make more lively or interesting; enliven. <i>Outings vivify learning for children.</i>

