

Need another word that means the same as “antithesis”? Find 8 synonyms and 30 related words for “antithesis” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Antithesis” are: opposite, converse, reverse, reversal, inverse, obverse, contrast, opposition**

## Antithesis as a Noun

### Definitions of "Antithesis" as a noun

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

- *A rhetorical or literary device in which an opposition or contrast of ideas is expressed.*
- *(in Hegelian philosophy) the negation of the thesis as the second stage in the process of dialectical reasoning.*
- *Exact opposite.*
- *A person or thing that is the direct opposite of someone or something else.*
- *A contrast or opposition between two things.*
- *The juxtaposition of contrasting words or ideas to give a feeling of balance.*

### Synonyms of "Antithesis" as a noun (8 Words)

<b>contrast</b>	The opposition or dissimilarity of things that are compared. <i>In <b>contrast</b> to.</i>
<a href="#">converse</a>	A proposition obtained by conversion. <i>His <b>converse</b> at such seasons was always elevating.</i>
<b>inverse</b>	Something inverted in sequence or character or effect. <i>When the direct approach failed he tried the <b>inverse</b>.</i>

<b>obverse</b>	The side of a coin or medal bearing the head or principal design. <i>True solitude is the <b>obverse</b> of true society.</i>
<b>opposite</b>	A relation of direct opposition. <i>The literal is the <b>opposite</b> of the figurative.</i>
<b>opposition</b>	A contrast or antithesis. <i>The <b>opposition</b> between practical and poetic language.</i>
<b>reversal</b>	The act of reversing the order or place of. <i>There was a <b>reversal</b> of autonomic function.</i>
<b>reverse</b>	Reverse gear on a motor vehicle the position of a gear lever or selector corresponding to this. <i>His touchdown came after he had scampered 58 yards on a <b>reverse</b> with McMahon.</i>

## Usage Examples of "Antithesis" as a noun

- *Love is the antithesis of selfishness.*
- *Figures of speech such as antithesis.*
- *His theory is the antithesis of mine.*
- *The antithesis between occult and rational mentalities.*
- *His sermons were full of startling antitheses.*

## Associations of "Antithesis" (30 Words)

<b>ambivalence</b>	Mixed feelings or emotions. <i>The law s <b>ambivalence</b> about the importance of a victim s identity.</i>
<b>antithetic</b>	Sharply contrasted in character or purpose. <i>Practices entirely <b>antithetical</b> to her professed beliefs.</i>
<b>antithetical</b>	Directly opposed or contrasted; mutually incompatible. <i>People whose religious beliefs are <b>antithetical</b> to mine.</i>
<b>competition</b>	The activity or condition of striving to gain or win something by defeating or establishing superiority over others. <i>I walked round to check out the <b>competition</b>.</i>
<b>competitor</b>	The contestant you hope to defeat. <i>Our main industrial <b>competitors</b>.</i>
<b>conflicting</b>	On bad terms. <i><b>Conflicting</b> opinions.</i>

<b><u>contradiction</u></b>	A combination of statements, ideas, or features which are opposed to one another. <i>He spoke as if he thought his claims were immune to <b>contradiction</b>.</i>
<b><u>contradictory</u></b>	A contradictory proposition. <i>Politically he exhibited <b>contradictory</b> behaviour.</i>
<b><u>contrary</u></b>	A contrary proposition. <i>He ignored <b>contrary</b> advice and agreed on the deal.</i>
<b><u>converse</u></b>	Turned about in order or relation. <i>His <b>converse</b> at such seasons was always elevating.</i>
<b><u>counterpart</u></b>	One of two copies of a legal document. <i>The minister held talks with his French <b>counterpart</b>.</i>
<b>discrepant</b>	Not in agreement. <i>Widely <b>discrepant</b> statements.</i>
<b><u>enemy</u></b>	A personal enemy. <i>This man was her sworn <b>enemy</b>.</i>
<b><u>incompatible</u></b>	Used especially of drugs or muscles that counteract or neutralize each other's effect. <i><b>Incompatible</b> colors.</i>
<b><u>inconsistency</u></b>	The fact or state of being inconsistent. <i>The <b>inconsistency</b> between his expressed attitudes and his actual behaviour.</i>
<b>inconsistent</b>	Not capable of being made consistent or harmonious. <i><b>Inconsistent</b> with the roadmap.</i>
<b>inharmonious</b>	Not in harmony. <i>An <b>inharmonious</b> negative state of mind.</i>
<b><u>ironic</u></b>	Characterized by often poignant difference or incongruity between what is expected and what actually is. <i>His mouth curved into an <b>ironic</b> smile.</i>
<b><u>irony</u></b>	A trope that involves incongruity between what is expected and what occurs. <i>The <b>irony</b> is that I thought he could help me.</i>
<b>objector</b>	A person who expresses opposition to or disagreement with something. <i><b>Objectors</b> to the housing plans.</i>
<b>opponent</b>	A person who disagrees with or resists a proposal or practice. <i>An <b>opponent</b> of the economic reforms.</i>
<b>oppose</b>	Be against; express opposition to. <i>A workers movement <b>opposed</b> the regime.</i>

<b>opposing</b>	Characterized by active hostility. <i>The brothers fought on <b>opposing</b> sides in the war.</i>
<b>opposite</b>	Characterized by opposite extremes completely opposed. <i>We were <b>opposites</b> in temperament.</i>
<b><u>opposition</u></b>	The action of opposing something that you disapprove or disagree with. <i>Her Majesty's loyal <b>opposition</b>.</i>
<b>outmaneuver</b>	Defeat by more skillful maneuvering. <i>My new supervisor knows how to <b>outmaneuver</b> the boss in most situations.</i>
<b><u>oxymoron</u></b>	Conjoining contradictory terms (as in `deafening silence.
<b><u>paradox</u></b>	A statement that contradicts itself. <i>The liar <b>paradox</b>.</i>
<b><u>paradoxical</u></b>	Seemingly contradictory but nonetheless possibly true. <i>By glorifying the acts of violence they achieve the <b>paradoxical</b> effect of making them trivial.</i>
<b>rival</b>	Be the rival of be in competition with. <i>Nothing can <b>rival</b> cotton for durability.</i>