

Need another word that means the same as “apologist”? Find 20 synonyms and 30 related words for “apologist” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Apologist” are: justifier, vindicator, defender, supporter, upholder, advocate, proponent, exponent, propagandist, apostle, champion, backer, promoter, campaigner, spokesman, spokeswoman, spokesperson, speaker, arguer, enthusiast**

## Apologist as a Noun

### Definitions of "Apologist" as a noun

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

- *A person who argues to defend or justify some policy or institution.*
- *A person who offers an argument in defence of something controversial.*

### Synonyms of "Apologist" as a noun (20 Words)

<b>advocate</b>	A person who pleads for a cause or propounds an idea. <i>Solicitors may act as <b>advocates</b> in Crown Courts.</i>
<b>apostle</b>	One of the twelve administrative officers in a Church of the Latter-day Saints (Mormons). <i>Kiril and Metodije the <b>apostles</b> of the Slavs.</i>
<b>arguer</b>	Someone who engages in debate.
<b>backer</b>	A person, institution, or country that supports someone or something, especially financially. <i>He was the principal <b>backer</b> of the company.</i>

<b>campaigner</b>	A person who works in an organized and active way towards a goal. <i>Human rights <b>campaigners</b> are furious at the government's decision.</i>
<b>champion</b>	A person who backs a politician or a team etc. <i>A <b>champion</b> hurdler.</i>
<b>defender</b>	Either member of the partnership that did not win the auction. <i>A determined <b>defender</b> of British interests.</i>
<b>enthusiast</b>	An ardent and enthusiastic supporter of some person or activity. <i>A sports car <b>enthusiast</b>.</i>
<b>exponent</b>	A mathematical notation indicating the number of times a quantity is multiplied by itself. <i>An early <b>exponent</b> of the teachings of Thomas Aquinas.</i>
<b>justifier</b>	A person who argues to defend or justify some policy or institution.
<b>promoter</b>	Someone who is an active supporter and advocate. <i>Mitterrand was a fierce <b>promoter</b> of European integration.</i>
<b>propagandist</b>	A person who disseminates messages calculated to assist some cause or some government. <i>A highly persuasive political <b>propagandist</b>.</i>
<b>proponent</b>	A person who advocates a theory, proposal, or course of action. <i>A strong <b>proponent</b> of the free market and liberal trade policies.</i>
<b>speaker</b>	Electro-acoustic transducer that converts electrical signals into sounds loud enough to be heard at a distance. <i>Our guest <b>speaker</b> will give an audiovisual presentation.</i>
<b>spokesman</b>	A male spokesperson. <i>A <b>spokesman</b> for Greenpeace.</i>
<b>spokesperson</b>	An advocate who represents someone else's policy or purpose. <i>The meeting was attended by <b>spokespersons</b> for all the major organs of government.</i>
<b>spokeswoman</b>	A woman who makes statements on behalf of a group or individual. <i>A <b>spokeswoman</b> for the agency said it would not be investigating the case.</i>
<b>supporter</b>	Someone who supports or champions something. <i>An Oxford United <b>supporter</b>.</i>
<b>upholder</b>	Someone who upholds or maintains. <i>Firm <b>upholders</b> of tradition.</i>
<b>vindicator</b>	A person who clears someone of blame or suspicion. <i>A <b>vindicator</b> of the property rights of the monks.</i>

## Usage Examples of "Apologist" as a noun

- An enthusiastic apologist for fascism in the 1920s.
- An apologist for capital punishment.

## Associations of "Apologist" (30 Words)

<b>acolyte</b>	A person assisting a priest in a religious service or procession. <i>She runs the department through a small group of <b>acolytes</b>.</i>
<b>adherent</b>	Sticking fast. <i>Any <b>adherent</b> sand grains are easily removed.</i>
<b>advocate</b>	A person who puts a case on someone else's behalf. <i>He was an untiring <b>advocate</b> of economic reform.</i>
<b>apostle</b>	(New Testament) one of the original 12 disciples chosen by Christ to preach his gospel. <i>Kiril and Metodije the <b>apostles</b> of the Slavs.</i>
<b>archangel</b>	An angel ranked above the highest rank in the celestial hierarchy.
<b>archbishop</b>	The chief bishop responsible for a large district. <i>The <b>Archbishop</b> of York.</i>
<b>archdeacon</b>	(Anglican Church) an ecclesiastical dignitary usually ranking just below a bishop.
<b>backer</b>	Invests in a theatrical production. <i>He was the principal <b>backer</b> of the company.</i>
<b>buddhism</b>	The teaching of Buddha that life is permeated with suffering caused by desire, that suffering ceases when desire ceases, and that enlightenment obtained through right conduct and wisdom and meditation releases one from desire and suffer.
<b>chaplain</b>	A member of the clergy attached to a private chapel, institution, ship, regiment, etc. <i>A prison <b>chaplain</b>.</i>
<b><u>christian</u></b>	Relating to or characteristic of Christianity.
<b><u>cult</u></b>	A system of religious beliefs and rituals. <i>It was a satanic <b>cult</b>.</i>
<b><u>curate</u></b>	A person authorized to conduct religious worship.
<b><u>denomination</u></b>	A class of one kind of unit in a system of numbers or measures or weights or money. <i>Two cards of the same <b>denomination</b>.</i>

<b>evangelist</b>	A zealous advocate of a particular cause. <i>He has become an <b>evangelist</b> for the European Union.</i>
<b><u>martyr</u></b>	Torture and torment like a martyr. <i>There was no need to <b>martyr</b> themselves again.</i>
<b>missionary</b>	Relating to or characteristic of a missionary or a religious mission. <i><b>Missionary</b> work.</i>
<b>ordination</b>	A ceremony in which someone is ordained. <i>The rabbi s family was present for his <b>ordination</b>.</i>
<b>pastor</b>	Be pastor of a church or congregation. <i>He continued to study law while <b>pastoring</b> in Chelsea.</i>
<b><u>preach</u></b>	Used to affirm one's approval of or support for a stated opinion, advocated course of action, etc. <i>He <b>preached</b> to a large congregation.</i>
<b>priestess</b>	A woman priest.
<b><u>prophet</u></b>	In Jewish use one of the three canonical divisions of the Hebrew Bible distinguished from the Law and the Hagiographa and comprising the books of Joshua Judges Samuel Kings Jeremiah Ezekiel Isaiah and the twelve minor prophets. <i>The prime minister ignored the <b>prophets</b> of doom.</i>
<b>rector</b>	(in the Church of England) the incumbent of a parish where all tithes formerly passed to the incumbent.
<b>religion</b>	A pursuit or interest followed with great devotion. <i>Ideas about the relationship between science and <b>religion</b>.</i>
<b>sacerdotal</b>	Of or relating to a belief in sacerdotalism. <i>Priestly or <b>sacerdotal</b> vestments.</i>
<b>sect</b>	A philosophical or political group, especially one regarded as extreme or dangerous. <i>Two of the older <b>sects</b> the Congregationalists and the Baptists were able to increase their membership dramatically.</i>
<b><u>sponsor</u></b>	Assume sponsorship of. <i>The USA <b>sponsored</b> negotiations between the two sides.</i>
<b>supporter</b>	A person who backs a politician or a team etc. <i>All their <b>supporters</b> came out for the game.</i>
<b>temple</b>	A thing regarded as holy or likened to a temple especially a person s body. <i>The veins in his <b>temple</b> throbbed.</i>
<b>vicar</b>	(Episcopal Church) a clergyman in charge of a chapel.