

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

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The synonyms of “Apostate” are: deserter, ratter, recreant, renegade, turncoat, dissenter, heretic, nonconformist

Apostate as a Noun

Definitions of "Apostate" as a noun

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

- *A disloyal person who betrays or deserts his cause or religion or political party or friend etc.*
- *A person who renounces a religious or political belief or principle.*



Synonyms of "Apostate" as a noun (8 Words)

deserter	A disloyal person who betrays or deserts his cause or religion or political party or friend etc. <i>Deserters from the army.</i>
dissenter	A person who dissents from some established policy.
<u>heretic</u>	A person who holds unorthodox opinions in any field (not merely religion). Someone who refuses to conform to established standards of conduct.
nonconformist	<i>Jenkins was a nonconformist who disdained the rugby union coaching certificate.</i>
ratter	Any of several breeds of terrier developed to catch rats.
recreant	A person who is unfaithful to a belief; an apostate. <i>The recreant acted with outward boldness.</i>
<u>renegade</u>	A disloyal person who betrays or deserts his cause or religion or political party or friend etc. <i>An agent who later turns out to be a renegade.</i>

turncoat

A person who deserts one party or cause in order to join an opposing one.
*They denounced him as a **turncoat**.*



Usage Examples of "Apostate" as a noun

- *After fifty years as an apostate he returned to the faith.*



Associations of "Apostate" (30 Words)

apostasy	The abandonment or renunciation of a religious or political belief or principle. <i>The execution of their leader for apostasy brought widespread criticism.</i>
betray	Deliver to an enemy by treachery. <i>A double agent who betrayed some 400 British and French agents to the Germans.</i>
<u>betrayal</u>	An act of deliberate betrayal. <i>The betrayal by the king by his daughter.</i>
betray	A person who says one thing and does another.
cheat	An act of cheating a fraud or deception. <i>We were cheated by their clever sounding scheme.</i>
<u>conversion</u>	An event that results in a transformation. <i>The individual's responsibility in conversion is to repent and believe.</i>
deceive	Be false to; be dishonest with. <i>I didn't intend to deceive people into thinking it was French champagne.</i>

defection	Withdrawing support or help despite allegiance or responsibility. <i>A number of defections by leading ballet dancers.</i>
defector	A person who has abandoned their country or cause in favour of an opposing one. <i>Staff interviewed escapees and defectors to the West.</i>
disloyal	Deserting your allegiance or duty to leader or cause or principle. <i>Disloyal mutterings about his leadership.</i>
duplicity	The state of being double. <i>The president was accused of duplicity in his dealings with Congress.</i>
faithless	Disloyal, especially to a spouse or partner. <i>The faithless Benedict Arnold.</i>
fraudulence	A fraudulent or duplicitous representation.
infidelity	The quality of being unfaithful. <i>Her infidelity continued after her marriage.</i>
insurgent	A person fighting against a government or invading force; a rebel or revolutionary. <i>Alleged links with insurgent groups.</i>
perfidious	Tending to betray; especially having a treacherous character as attributed to the Carthaginians by the Romans. <i>A perfidious lover.</i>
perfidy	An act of deliberate betrayal. <i>Hapsburg perfidy.</i>
proselytize	Convert or attempt to convert (someone) from one religion, belief, or opinion to another. <i>Davis wanted to share his concept and proselytize his ideas.</i>
quisling	Someone who collaborates with an enemy occupying force. <i>He had the Quisling owner of the factory arrested.</i>
rebel	Take part in a rebellion renounce a former allegiance. <i>Rebel forces.</i>
renegade	Become a renegade. <i>Johnson had renegaded from the Confederacy.</i>
sedition	Arousing to action or rebellion. <i>The letter was declared sedition.</i>
spy	Catch sight of. <i>Spy for the Russians.</i>
stigma	A symbol of disgrace or infamy. <i>Debt has lost its stigma and is now a part of everyday life.</i>

- traitor** A person who betrays someone or something, such as a friend, cause, or principle.
*He was a **traitor** to his own class.*
- traitorous** Having the character of, or characteristic of, a traitor.
*When his **traitorous** actions were discovered he was imprisoned.*
- treacherous** Tending to betray especially having a treacherous character as attributed to the Carthaginians by the Romans.
*A **treacherous** Gestapo agent.*
- treachery** Betrayal of trust.
*The **treachery** of language.*
- treasonable** Having the character of, or characteristic of, a traitor.
*There was no evidence of **treasonable** activity.*
- turncoat** A disloyal person who betrays or deserts his cause or religion or political party or friend etc.
*They denounced him as a **turncoat**.*

