

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)

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

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

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

