

Need another word that means the same as “assertive”? Find 21 synonyms and 30 related words for “assertive” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Assertive” are: self-asserting, self-assertive, confident, forceful, self-confident, positive, bold, decisive, assured, self-assured, self-possessed, authoritative, strong-willed, insistent, firm, determined, commanding, bullish, dominant, domineering, assaultive**

## Assertive as an Adjective

### Definitions of "Assertive" as an adjective

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

- *Aggressively self-assured.*
- *Having or showing a confident and forceful personality.*



## Synonyms of "Assertive" as an adjective (21 Words)

- assaultive** Aggressive or forcefully assertive.  
*They found that **assaultive** men had abusive parents.*
- assured** Protected against discontinuance or change.  
*She paints with an **assured** hand.*
- authoritative** Able to be trusted as being accurate or true; reliable.  
*An **authoritative** source.*
- bold** Very steep; having a prominent and almost vertical front.  
*A **bold** speech.*
- bullish** Confident or optimistic about something.  
*High points in the stock market cycle when investors are at their most **bullish**.*
- commanding** (of a place or position) dominating from above; giving a wide view of an area.  
*A **commanding** officer.*
- confident** Feeling or showing certainty about something.  
*A **confident** reply.*
- decisive** Determining or having the power to determine an outcome.  
*Had a **decisive** lead in the polls.*

<b>determined</b>	Having been learned or found or determined especially by investigation. <i>Date and place are already <b>determined</b>.</i>
<b>dominant</b>	Denoting the predominant species in a plant or animal community. <i>They are now in an even more <b>dominant</b> position in the market.</i>
<b>domineering</b>	Asserting one's will over another in an arrogant way. <i>How can I do my job with a <b>domineering</b> boss yelling in my ear.</i>
<b>firm</b>	Marked by firm determination or resolution not shakable. <i>His voice was <b>firm</b> and confident.</i>
<b>forceful</b>	Forceful and definite in expression or action. <i>A <b>forceful</b> speaker.</i>
<b><u>insistent</u></b>	Demanding attention- H.L.Mencken. <i>She was very <b>insistent</b> that I call her.</i>
<b>positive</b>	Having a positive charge. <i>A <b>positive</b> benefit.</i>
<b>self-asserting</b>	Aggressively self-assured.
<b>self-assertive</b>	Offensively self assertive.
<b>self-assured</b>	Showing poise and confidence in your own worth.
<b>self-confident</b>	Showing poise and confidence in your own worth.
<b>self-possessed</b>	In full control of your faculties.
<b>strong-willed</b>	Having a determined will.



## Usage Examples of "Assertive" as an adjective

- *The job may call for assertive behaviour.*
- *Pointing directly at a listener is an assertive act.*
- *An energetic assertive boy who was always ready to argue.*



## Associations of "Assertive" (30 Words)

- accent** Put stress on utter with an accent.  
*Short fortissimo **accents**.*
- accentuate** Put stress on; utter with an accent.  
*His jacket unfortunately **accentuated** his paunch.*
- arrogant** Having or revealing an exaggerated sense of one's own importance or abilities.  
***Arrogant** claims.*
- autocratic** Relating to a ruler who has absolute power.  
*The constitutional reforms threatened his **autocratic** power.*
- brash** Self-assertive in a rude, noisy, or overbearing way.  
*The cafe was a **brash** new building.*
- categorical** Unambiguously explicit and direct.  
*A **categorical** denial.*
- cavalier** A dashing and attentive man, especially one acting as a lady's escort.  
*Anne was irritated by his **cavalier** attitude.*
- confident** Feeling or showing certainty about something.  
*I am not very **confident** about tonight s game.*

<b>despotic</b>	Of or typical of a despot; tyrannical. <i>His administration was arrogant and <b>despotic</b>.</i>
<b>dictatorial</b>	Having or showing an autocratic manner. <i>His mother in law was somewhat <b>dictatorial</b>.</i>
<b>domineering</b>	Tending to domineer. <i>How can I do my job with a <b>domineering</b> boss yelling in my ear.</i>
<b>emphasis</b>	Intensity or forcefulness of expression. <i>His <b>emphasis</b> on civil rights.</i>
<b>emphasized</b>	Spoken with emphasis.
<b><u>emphatic</u></b>	An emphatic consonant. <i>The document contained a particularly <b>emphatic</b> guarantee of religious liberty.</i>
<b><u>emphatically</u></b>	In a forceful way. <i>She closed the door behind her <b>emphatically</b>.</i>
<b>forceful</b>	Forceful and definite in expression or action. <i>A <b>forceful</b> personality.</i>
<b><u>fortified</u></b>	Secured with bastions or fortifications. <i><b>Fortified</b> breakfast cereals.</i>
<b><u>haughty</u></b>	Having or showing arrogant superiority to and disdain of those one views as unworthy. <i>A look of <b>haughty</b> disdain.</i>
<b>headstrong</b>	Energetically wilful and determined. <i>The <b>headstrong</b> impulsiveness of youth.</i>
<b>highlight</b>	Create highlights in hair. <i>Gary Lineker presents the <b>highlights</b> of today s semi final.</i>
<b><u>imperative</u></b>	The imperative mood. <i>Free movement of labour was an economic <b>imperative</b>.</i>
<b>imperious</b>	Having or showing arrogant superiority to and disdain of those one views as unworthy. <i>His <b>imperious</b> demands.</i>
<b><u>oppressive</u></b>	Weighing heavily on the senses or spirit. <i>An <b>oppressive</b> dictatorship.</i>
<b><u>overbearing</u></b>	Expecting unquestioning obedience. <i>Insufferably <b>overbearing</b> behavior toward the waiter.</i>
<b>peremptory</b>	Offensively self-assured or given to exercising usually unwarranted power. <i><b>Peremptory</b> commands.</i>

- stressed** Strengthened by the application of stress during manufacture prestressed.  
*Elision after a **stressed** syllable.*
- strong** Relating to or denoting the strongest of the known kinds of force between particles which acts between nucleons and other hadrons when closer than about 10 cm so binding protons in a nucleus despite the repulsion due to their charge and which conserves strangeness parity and isospin.  
*A **strong** radio signal.*
- strongly** In a forceful or heartfelt way; firmly.  
*The wheels are **strongly** made.*
- supercilious** Having or showing arrogant superiority to and disdain of those one views as unworthy.  
*His mother eyed my clothes with a **supercilious** air.*
- tyrannical** Characteristic of an absolute ruler or absolute rule; having absolute sovereignty.  
*A **tyrannical** parent.*

