

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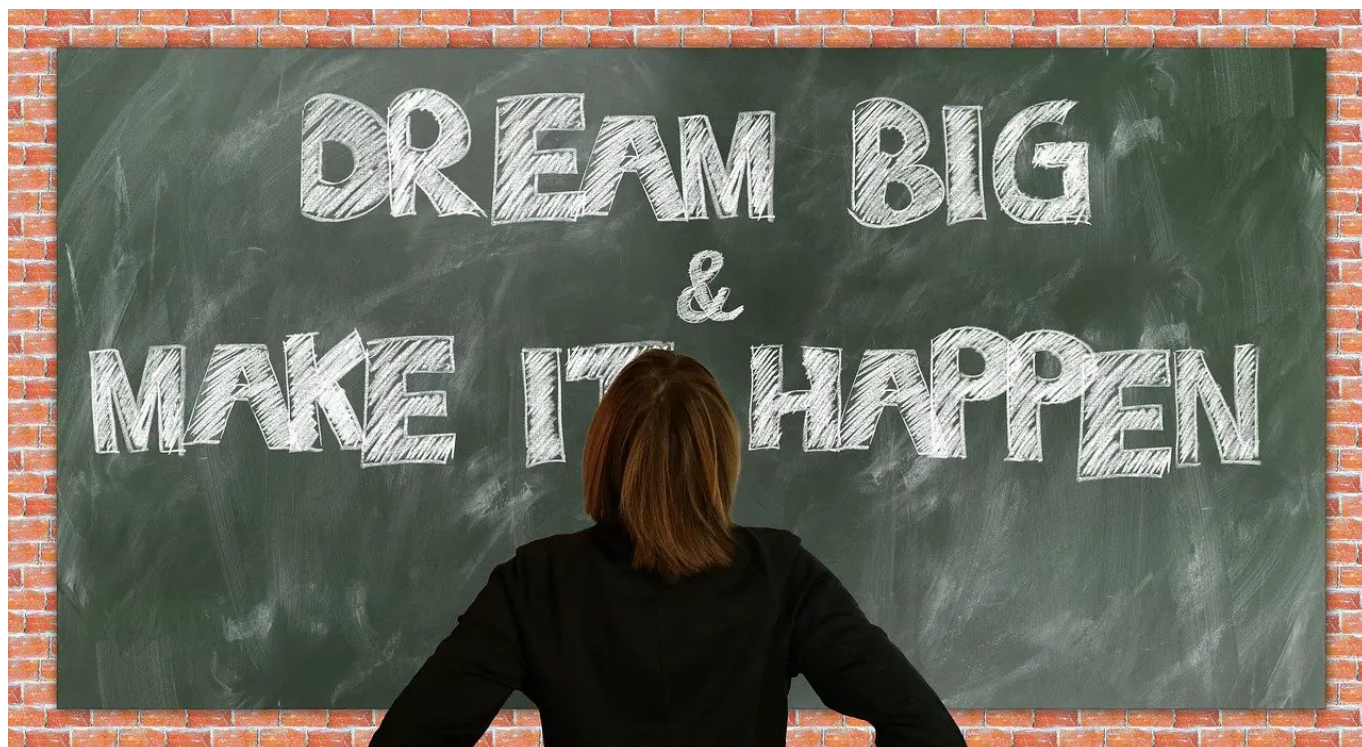
The synonyms of “Assertive” are: self-asserting, self-assertive, confident, forceful, self-confident, positive, bold, decisive, assured, self-assured, self-possessed, authoritative, strong-willed, insistent, firm, determined, commanding, bullish, dominant, domineering, assaultive

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

determined	Having been learned or found or determined especially by investigation. <i>Date and place are already determined.</i>
dominant	Denoting the predominant species in a plant or animal community. <i>They are now in an even more dominant position in the market.</i>
domineering	Asserting one's will over another in an arrogant way. <i>How can I do my job with a domineering boss yelling in my ear.</i>
firm	Marked by firm determination or resolution not shakable. <i>His voice was firm and confident.</i>
forceful	Forceful and definite in expression or action. <i>A forceful speaker.</i>
<u>insistent</u>	Demanding attention- H.L.Mencken. <i>She was very insistent that I call her.</i>
positive	Having a positive charge. <i>A positive benefit.</i>
self-asserting	Aggressively self-assured.
self-assertive	Offensively self assertive.
self-assured	Showing poise and confidence in your own worth.
self-confident	Showing poise and confidence in your own worth.
self-possessed	In full control of your faculties.
strong-willed	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. <i>Short fortissimo accents.</i>
accentuate	Put stress on; utter with an accent. <i>His jacket unfortunately accentuated his paunch.</i>
arrogant	Having or revealing an exaggerated sense of one's own importance or abilities. <i>Arrogant claims.</i>
autocratic	Relating to a ruler who has absolute power. <i>The constitutional reforms threatened his autocratic power.</i>
brash	Self-assertive in a rude, noisy, or overbearing way. <i>The cafe was a brash new building.</i>
categorical	Unambiguously explicit and direct. <i>A categorical denial.</i>
cavalier	A dashing and attentive man, especially one acting as a lady's escort. <i>Anne was irritated by his cavalier attitude.</i>
confident	Feeling or showing certainty about something. <i>I am not very confident about tonight s game.</i>

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

