

Need another word that means the same as “assume”? Find 73 synonyms and 30 related words for “assume” in this overview.

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Assume as a Verb

Definitions of "Assume" as a verb

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

- *Take up someone's soul into heaven.*
- *Take on a certain form, attribute, or aspect.*
- *Make a pretence of.*
- *Take or begin to have (power or responsibility).*
- *Seize and take control without authority and possibly with force; take as one's right or possession.*
- *Take on or adopt (a manner or identity), sometimes falsely.*
- *Occupy or take on.*

- *Begin to have (a specified quality, appearance, or extent.*
- *Take on as one's own the expenses or debts of another person.*
- *Put clothing on one's body.*
- *Seize (power or control.*
- *Suppose to be the case, without proof.*
- *Take to be the case or to be true; accept without verification or proof.*
- *Take on titles, offices, duties, responsibilities.*



Synonyms of "Assume" as a verb (73 Words)

accept	Make use of or accept for some purpose. <i>People did not accept atonal music at that time.</i>
acquire	Buy or obtain (an asset or object) for oneself. <i>Children acquire language at an amazing rate.</i>
<u>adopt</u>	Legally take (another's child) and bring it up as one's own. <i>They adopted two children from Nicaragua.</i>
affect	Have an effect on; make a difference to. <i>This new ruling affects your business.</i>
appropriate	Take possession of by force, as after an invasion. <i>The accused had appropriated the property.</i>

arrogate	Demand as being one's due or property; assert one's right or title to. <i>They arrogate to themselves the ability to divine the nation's true interests.</i>
arrogate to oneself	Seize and take control without authority and possibly with force; take as one's right or possession.
be given to understand	Represent, as of a character on stage.
be of the opinion	Represent, as of a character on stage.
<u>bear</u>	Give birth to (a child). <i>A small boat bearing a white flag.</i>
believe	Follow a credo have a faith be a believer. <i>The deal is believed to be worth around 15 million.</i>
claim	Ask for legally or make a legal claim to as of debts for example. <i>He claimed his suitcases at the airline counter.</i>
come to have	Proceed or get along.
come to the conclusion	Develop into.
<u>commandeer</u>	Officially take possession or control of (something), especially for military purposes. <i>A nearby house had been commandeered by the army.</i>
<u>conclude</u>	Reach a conclusion after a discussion or deliberation. <i>They concluded an economic agreement.</i>
<u>confiscate</u>	Take or seize (someone's property) with authority. <i>The guards confiscated his camera.</i>
<u>conjecture</u>	Form an opinion or supposition about (something) on the basis of incomplete information. <i>Many conjectured that the jury could not agree.</i>
counterfeit	Resemble closely. <i>No pretence could have counterfeited such terror.</i>
deal with	Take action with respect to (someone or something).
<u>deduce</u>	Trace the course or derivation of. <i>They deduced that the fish died because of water pollution.</i>
<u>don</u>	Put clothing on one's body. <i>The princess donned a long blue dress.</i>
draw the inference	Represent by making a drawing of, as with a pencil, chalk, etc. on a surface.

<u>expect</u>	Consider obligatory request and expect. <i>They re just friends of his I expect.</i>
expropriate	Dispossess (someone) of property. <i>The Communist government expropriated the landowners.</i>
fake	Pretend to feel or have (an emotion, illness, or injury). <i>The politician was not well prepared for the debate and faked it.</i>
fancy	Have a fancy or particular liking or desire for. <i>I fancy him to win the tournament.</i>
feign	Make believe with the intent to deceive. <i>She feigned nervousness.</i>
<u>gather</u>	Collect or gather. <i>The destroyer gathered speed.</i>
get into	Give certain properties to something.
get to grips with	Communicate with a place or person; establish communication with, as if by telephone.
<u>glean</u>	Collect gradually. <i>The information is gleaned from press cuttings.</i>
guess	Form a correct conclusion about something by guessing. <i>She guessed the child s age at 14 or 15.</i>
handle	Handle effectively. <i>Heavy paving slabs can be difficult to handle.</i>
help oneself to	Improve; change for the better.
<u>hijack</u>	Seize control of. <i>They hijacked the judicial process.</i>
<u>imagine</u>	Form a mental image or concept of. <i>I couldn t imagine what she expected to tell them.</i>
impersonate	Assume or act the character of. <i>It s a very serious offence to impersonate a police officer.</i>
<u>infer</u>	Guess correctly; solve by guessing. <i>From these facts we can infer that crime has been increasing.</i>
lay claim to	Lay eggs.
manage	Be the manager of a sports team or a performer. <i>He managed five or six bands in his career.</i>
<u>presume</u>	Constitute reasonable evidence for. <i>The argument presumes that only one person can do the work.</i>

presuppose	Tacitly assume at the beginning of a line of argument or course of action that something is the case. <i>This step presupposes two prior ones.</i>
put on	Adapt.
reason	Present reasons and arguments. <i>Humans do not reason entirely from facts.</i>
reckon	Judge to be probable. <i>I reckon to get away by two thirty.</i>
requisition	Make a formal request for official services. <i>A stakeholder has requisitioned an extraordinary general meeting.</i>
seize	Seize and take control without authority and possibly with force take as one's right or possession. <i>Police have seized 726 lb of cocaine.</i>
<u>sham</u>	Make a pretence of. <i>Was he ill or was he shamming.</i>
shoulder	Lift onto one's shoulders. <i>He shouldered his way through the seething mass of children.</i>
simulate	Make a pretence of. <i>It was impossible to force a smile to simulate pleasure.</i>
<u>strike</u>	Undertake strike action against an employer. <i>Strike a medal.</i>
<u>suppose</u>	Take for granted or as a given suppose beforehand. <i>I'm quite a good actress I suppose.</i>
<u>surmise</u>	Suppose that something is true without having evidence to confirm it. <i>He surmised that something must be wrong.</i>
<u>suspect</u>	Have an idea or impression of the existence, presence, or truth of (something) without certain proof. <i>I suspect he is a fugitive.</i>
take	Take by force. <i>Take the A43 towards Bicester.</i>
take as read	Accept or undergo, often unwillingly.
take away	Point or cause to go (blows, weapons, or objects such as photographic equipment) towards.
take for granted	Have with oneself; have on one's person.
take it	Accept or undergo, often unwillingly.

take it as given	Travel or go by means of a certain kind of transportation, or a certain route.
take on	Occupy or take on.
take on oneself	Carry out.
take over	Obtain by winning.
take possession of	Experience or feel or submit to.
take up	Be a student of a certain subject.
think	Bring into a given condition by mental preoccupation. <i>Think good thoughts.</i>
turn one's hand to	Go sour or spoil.
understand	Be understanding of. <i>I understand how you feel.</i>
<u>undertake</u>	Accept as a charge. <i>A lorry driver implicitly undertakes that he is reasonably skilled as a driver.</i>
<u>usurp</u>	Take the place of (someone in a position of power) illegally; supplant. <i>The Church had usurped upon the domain of the state.</i>
wear	Have in one's aspect wear an expression of one's attitude or personality. <i>They wear a frozen smile on their faces.</i>
wrest	Take (something, especially power or control) after considerable effort or difficulty. <i>Wrest power from the old government.</i>



Usage Examples of "Assume" as a verb

- *He assumed to himself the right to fill all positions in the town.*
- *The rebels assumed control of the capital.*
- *This is the day when Mary was assumed into heaven.*
- *Topics which assume detailed knowledge of local events.*
- *The gods assume human or animal form in these fables.*
- *He assumes the lotus position.*
- *When will the new President assume office?*
- *I assume his train was late.*
- *They were assumed to be foreign.*
- *She puts on a disguise, assumes a different persona, and cruises the squalid bars on the bad side of town.*
- *The queen assumed the stately robes.*
- *She assumed strange manners.*
- *It is reasonable to assume that such changes have significant social effects.*
- *She assumed indifference, even though she was seething with anger.*
- *Oliver assumed an expression of penitence.*
- *Militant activity had assumed epidemic proportions.*
- *He assumed full responsibility for all organizational work.*



Associations of "Assume" (30 Words)

- anticipate** Act in advance of; deal with ahead of time.
*They failed to **anticipate** a full scale invasion.*
- anticipation** The action of anticipating something; expectation or prediction.
*Her eyes sparkled with **anticipation**.*
- anticipatory** Happening, performed, or felt in anticipation of something.
*An **anticipatory** flash of excitement.*
- assumption** Arrogance or presumption.
*He acquired all the company's assets for ten million dollars and the **assumption** of the company's debts.*
- conjecture** To believe especially on uncertain or tentative grounds.
*A matter for **conjecture**.*
- expect** Consider obligatory request and expect.
*I'm **expecting** a full explanation as to why these files were destroyed.*

expectancy	The state of thinking or hoping that something, especially something good, will happen. <i>An indicator of expectancy in development.</i>
expectation	Anticipating with confidence of fulfillment. <i>Reality had not lived up to expectations.</i>
extrapolate	Extend (a graph, curve, or range of values) by inferring unknown values from trends in the known data. <i>It is always dangerous to extrapolate from a sample.</i>
forecast	Judge to be probable. <i>Rain is forecast for Scotland.</i>
foresee	Act in advance of; deal with ahead of time. <i>We did not foresee any difficulties.</i>
guess	Put forward of a guess in spite of possible refutation. <i>She guessed the child s age at 14 or 15.</i>
guesswork	The process or results of guessing. <i>Answering this question will involve you in a certain amount of guesswork.</i>
hypothesis	A proposition made as a basis for reasoning, without any assumption of its truth. <i>A scientific hypothesis that survives experimental testing becomes a scientific theory.</i>
infer	Guess correctly; solve by guessing. <i>From these facts we can infer that crime has been increasing.</i>
inference	A conclusion reached on the basis of evidence and reasoning. <i>His emphasis on order and health and by inference cleanliness.</i>
maybe	By chance. <i>No ifs buts or maybes.</i>
predict	Make a prediction about tell in advance. <i>It is too early to predict a result.</i>
predictive	Denoting or relating to a system for using data already stored in a computer or mobile phone to generate the letters or words a user is likely to enter next, on the basis of those that have already been entered. <i>Predictive typing allows you to type faster.</i>
presumably	By reasonable assumption. <i>Presumably he missed the train.</i>
presume	Make unjustified demands; take liberties. <i>Two of the journalists went missing and are presumed dead.</i>

- presumption** An attitude adopted in law or as a matter of policy towards an action or proposal in the absence of acceptable reasons to the contrary.
*Underlying **presumptions** about human nature.*
- presuppose** Tacitly assume at the beginning of a line of argument or course of action that something is the case.
*I **presuppose** that you have done your work.*
- putative** Generally considered or reputed to be.
*The **putative** author of the book.*
- speculate** To believe especially on uncertain or tentative grounds.
*He didn't look as though he had the money to **speculate** in shares.*
- speculation** An investment that is very risky but could yield great profits.
*This is pure **speculation** on my part.*
- suppose** Expect believe or suppose.
*I shouldn't have been in the study I'm not **supposed** to go in there.*
- supposedly** According to what is generally assumed or believed (often used to indicate that the speaker doubts the truth of the statement).
*There were rumours of a rift between him and his colleagues **supposedly** because they were jealous of his relationship with the Duchess.*
- supposition** A belief held without proof or certain knowledge; an assumption or hypothesis.
*They were working on the **supposition** that his death was murder.*
- surmise** A supposition that something may be true, even though there is no evidence to confirm it.
*He **surmised** that something must be wrong.*