

Need another word that means the same as “attentive”? Find 27 synonyms and 30 related words for “attentive” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Attentive” are: heedful, paying attention, thoughtful, alert, awake, watchful, wide awake, observant, perceptive, percipient, acute, aware, mindful, vigilant, conscientious, considerate, kind, kindly, caring, tender, solicitous, understanding, sympathetic, obliging, accommodating, gallant, chivalrous**

## Attentive as an Adjective

### Definitions of "Attentive" as an adjective

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

- *Paying close attention to something.*
- *Taking heed; giving close and thoughtful attention.*
- *Giving care or attention.*
- *(often followed by `to') giving care or attention.*
- *Assiduously attending to the comfort or wishes of others; very polite or courteous.*

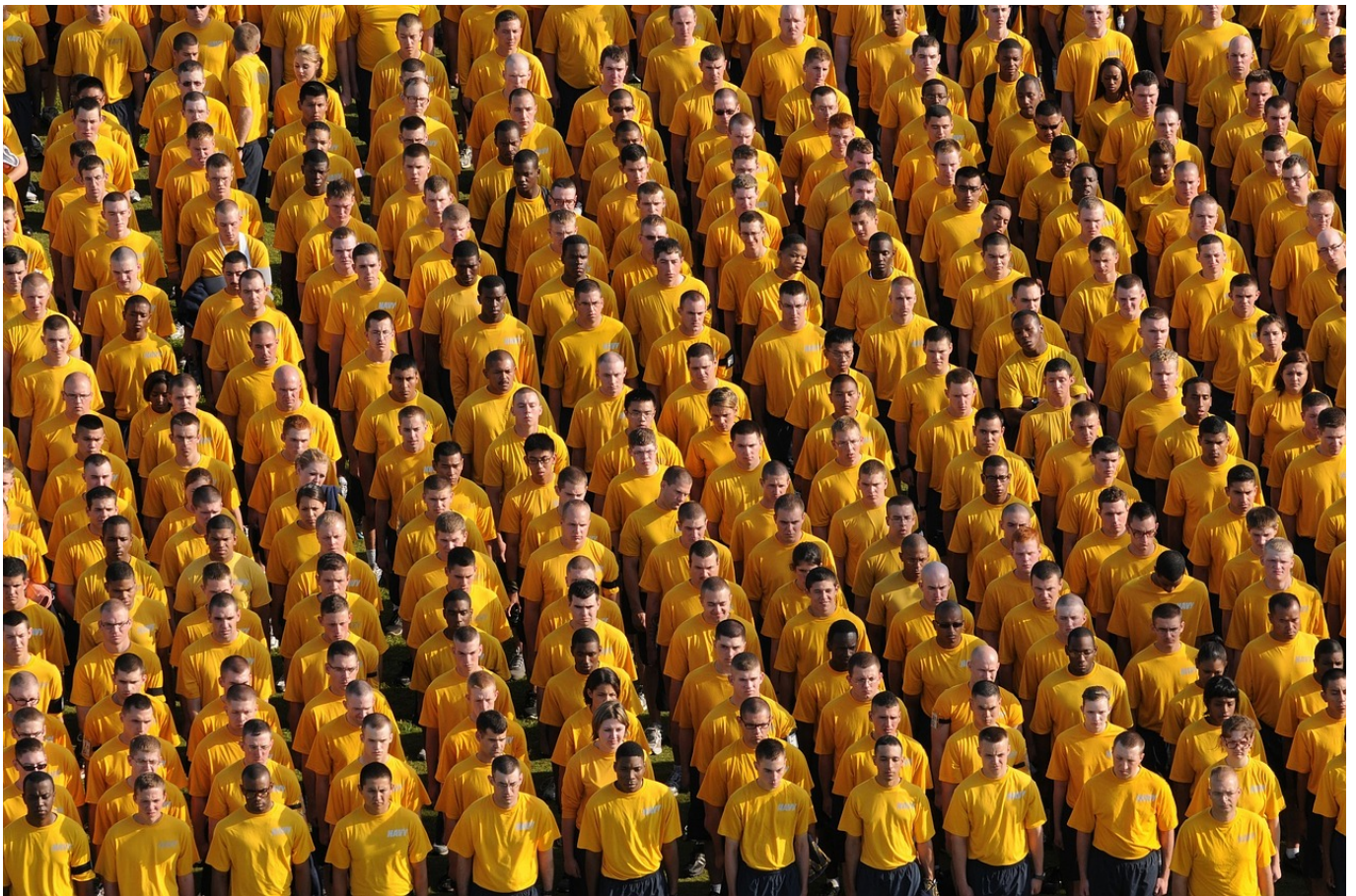


## Synonyms of "Attentive" as an adjective (27 Words)

- accommodating** Helpful in bringing about a harmonious adaptation.  
*We always found the our local branch most **accommodating**.*
- acute** Denoting or designed for patients with an acute form of a disease.  
*An **acute** awareness of changing fashions.*
- alert** Mentally perceptive and responsive.  
*Schools need to be constantly **alert** to this problem.*
- awake** Not asleep.  
*Still not fully **awake**.*
- aware** (sometimes followed by `of') having or showing knowledge or understanding or realization or perception.  
*Everyone needs to become more environmentally **aware**.*
- caring** Feeling and exhibiting concern and empathy for others.  
***Caring** friends.*

<b><u>chivalrous</u></b>	Being attentive to women like an ideal knight. <i>The concept of <b>chivalrous</b> combat.</i>
<b>conscientious</b>	Relating to a person's conscience. <i><b>Conscientious</b> application to the work at hand.</i>
<b><u>considerate</u></b>	Showing careful thought. <i>She was unfailingly kind and <b>considerate</b>.</i>
<b><u>gallant</u></b>	Unflinching in battle or action. <i>She had made <b>gallant</b> efforts to pull herself together.</i>
<b>heedful</b>	Giving attention. <i><b>Heedful</b> of what they were doing.</i>
<b>kind</b>	Having or showing a tender and considerate and helpful nature; used especially of persons and their behavior. <i><b>Kind</b> to sick patients.</i>
<b><u>kindly</u></b>	Showing or motivated by sympathy and understanding and generosity. <i><b>Kindly</b> breeze.</i>
<b><u>mindful</u></b>	Conscious or aware of something. <i>The judge said that he was not <b>mindful</b> to postpone the eviction again.</i>
<b>obliging</b>	Showing a cheerful willingness to do favors for others. <i>One of the most <b>obliging</b> stewards.</i>
<b>observant</b>	Adhering strictly to the rules of a particular religion, especially Judaism. <i><b>Observant</b> of the speed limit.</i>
<b>paying attention</b>	For which money is paid.
<b>perceptive</b>	Having the ability to perceive or understand; keen in discernment. <i>A <b>perceptive</b> observation.</i>
<b>percipient</b>	Characterized by ease and quickness in perceiving. <i>He is a <b>percipient</b> interpreter of the public mood.</i>
<b>solicitous</b>	Eager or anxious to do something. <i><b>Solicitous</b> parents.</i>
<b><u>sympathetic</u></b>	Of characters in literature or drama evoking empathic or sympathetic feelings. <i>She was <b>sympathetic</b> towards staff with family problems.</i>
<b><u>tender</u></b>	Young and immature. <i>Pelargoniums are colourful but <b>tender</b> plants.</i>
<b>thoughtful</b>	Taking heed giving close and thoughtful attention. <i>Brows drawn together in <b>thoughtful</b> consideration.</i>

<b>understanding</b>	Characterized by understanding based on comprehension and discernment and empathy. <i>An <b>understanding</b> friend.</i>
<b>vigilant</b>	Keeping careful watch for possible danger or difficulties. <i>The burglar was spotted by <b>vigilant</b> neighbours.</i>
<b>watchful</b>	Engaged in or accustomed to close observation. <i>Twenty <b>watchful</b> weary tedious nights.</i>
<b>wide awake</b>	Very large in expanse or scope.



## Usage Examples of "Attentive" as an adjective

- *Ministers should be more attentive to the interests of taxpayers.*
- *Attentive to details.*
- *An attentive suitor.*
- *The nurse was attentive to her patient.*
- *The hotel has a pleasant atmosphere and attentive service.*
- *Never before had she had such an attentive audience.*



## Associations of "Attentive" (30 Words)

- alert** A warning serves to make you more alert to danger.  
*Security forces are on the **alert** for an upsurge in violence.*
- beware** Be on one's guard; be cautious or wary about; be alert to.  
*We should **beware** the incompetence of legislators.*
- canny** Pleasant; nice.  
***Canny** investors will switch banks if they think they are getting a raw deal.*
- careful** Full of cares or anxiety.  
*I begged him to be more **careful**.*
- carefully** In a way that deliberately avoids harm or errors; cautiously.  
*He listened **carefully** to the way people spoke.*
- carefulness** The quality of being careful and painstaking.  
*I admired the **carefulness** of his work.*

<b>caution</b>	Warn or advise against (doing something). <i>He was <b>cautioned</b> for possessing drugs.</i>
<b>cautious</b>	People who are fearful and cautious. <i>Firms have been unusually <b>cautious</b> about hiring new workers.</i>
<b>cautiously</b>	As if with kid gloves; with caution or prudence or tact. <i>She ventured <b>cautiously</b> downstairs.</i>
<b>chary</b>	Characterized by great caution and wariness. <i>She had been <b>chary</b> of telling the whole truth.</i>
<b>circumspect</b>	Wary and unwilling to take risks. <i><b>Circumspect</b> actions.</i>
<b>concerned</b>	Culpably involved. <i>Factors <b>concerned</b> in the rise and fall of epidemics.</i>
<b>discreet</b>	Intentionally unobtrusive. <i>We made some <b>discreet</b> inquiries.</i>
<b>discreetly</b>	In an intentionally unobtrusive manner. <i>She coughed <b>discreetly</b>.</i>
<b>discretion</b>	Refined taste; tact. <i>The servants showed great tact and <b>discretion</b>.</i>
<b>forethought</b>	Planning or plotting in advance of acting. <i>Jim had the <b>forethought</b> to book in advance.</i>
<b>heed</b>	Pay close attention to give heed to. <i>We must take <b>heed</b> of the suggestions.</i>
<b>mindful</b>	Inclined or willing to do something. <i>The judge said that he was not <b>mindful</b> to postpone the eviction again.</i>
<b>modesty</b>	Formality and propriety of manner. <i><b>Modesty</b> forbade her to undress in front of so many people.</i>
<b>observant</b>	Quick to notice or perceive things. <i>An <b>observant</b> Jew.</i>
<b>perfunctory</b>	(of an action) carried out without real interest, feeling, or effort. <i><b>Perfunctory</b> courtesy.</i>
<b>precaution</b>	A precautionary measure warding off impending danger or damage or injury etc. <i>We never took <b>precautions</b>.</i>
<b>prudent</b>	Acting with or showing care and thought for the future. <i><b>Prudent</b> rulers.</i>
<b>solicitous</b>	Eager or anxious to do something. <i><b>Solicitous</b> about the future.</i>

- thoughtful** Taking heed giving close and thoughtful attention.  
*A deeply **thoughtful** essay.*
- vigilant** Keeping careful watch for possible danger or difficulties.  
*The **vigilant** eye of the town watch.*
- wary** Openly distrustful and unwilling to confide.  
*A **wary** glance at the black clouds.*
- watch** See or watch.  
*Credit card fraud is on the increase so **watch** out.*
- watchdog** A dog kept to guard private property.  
*She is the global **watchdog** for human rights abuses.*
- watchful** Engaged in or accustomed to close observation.  
*Twenty **watchful** weary tedious nights.*

