

Need another word that means the same as “avoidance”? Find 3 synonyms and 30 related words for “avoidance” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Avoidance” are: dodging, shunning, turning away

Avoidance as a Noun

Definitions of "Avoidance" as a noun

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

- *The action of keeping away from or not doing something.*
- *The action of preventing something from happening.*
- *Deliberately avoiding; keeping away from or preventing from happening.*
- *The action of repudiating, nullifying, or rendering void a decree or contract.*



Synonyms of "Avoidance" as a noun (3 Words)

- dodging** A statement that evades the question by cleverness or trickery.
shunning Deliberately avoiding; keeping away from or preventing from happening.
turning away The act of turning away or in the opposite direction.



Usage Examples of "Avoidance" as a noun

- A pilotless passenger aircraft would rely on computers and automatic collision avoidance.
- Insurance underwriters could not rely on non-disclosure to justify avoidance of the contract.
- One third of cancer deaths could be prevented by avoidance of smoking.



Associations of "Avoidance" (30 Words)

- apophasis** Mentioning something by saying it will not be mentioned.
- avert** Prevent or ward off (an undesirable occurrence).
Avert a strike.
- banish** Send (someone) away from a country or place as an official punishment.
Banish bad thoughts.

bypass	An alternative channel created during a bypass operation. <i>A manager might bypass formal channels of communication.</i>
circumvent	Overcome (a problem or difficulty), typically in a clever and surreptitious way. <i>I found it quite easy to circumvent security.</i>
circumvention	The act of evading by going around. <i>Circumvention of the rules undermines any fairness.</i>
deflect	(of an object) change direction after hitting something. <i>He attempted to deflect attention away from his private life.</i>
derail	Cause (a train or tram) to leave its tracks accidentally. <i>The plot is seen by some as an attempt to derail the negotiations.</i>
deter	Prevent the occurrence of. <i>Strategists think not only about how to deter war but about how war might occur.</i>
detour	Avoid by taking a detour. <i>He had made a detour to a cafe.</i>
dodge	The dodging of a bell in change-ringing. <i>Marchers had to dodge missiles thrown by loyalists.</i>
elude	(of an achievement or something desired) fail to be attained by (someone). <i>We need to ensure that bad cases do not elude tough penalties.</i>
escape	Escape potentially unpleasant consequences get away with a forbidden action. <i>They tried to stop the escape of gas from the damaged pipe.</i>
eschew	Avoid and stay away from deliberately; stay clear of. <i>He appealed to the crowd to eschew violence.</i>
evade	Escape or avoid (someone or something), especially by guile or trickery. <i>She was sentenced on three counts of conspiracy to evade taxes.</i>
evasion	The act of physically escaping from something (an opponent or a pursuer or an unpleasant situation) by some adroit maneuver. <i>His evasion of his clear duty was reprehensible.</i>
firewall	Protect a network or system from unauthorized access with a firewall. <i>He moved the throttle to the firewall.</i>
foreclose	Take possession of a mortgaged property when the mortgagor fails to keep up their mortgage payments. <i>The decision effectively foreclosed any possibility of his early rehabilitation.</i>

forestall	Prevent or obstruct (an anticipated event or action) by taking advance action. <i>He would have spoken but David forestalled him.</i>
forfend	Protect (something) by precautionary measures. <i>The fiend forfend said the grim Earl.</i>
hinder	Hinder or prevent the progress or accomplishment of. <i>The hinder part of a carcass.</i>
illegalize	Declare illegal; outlaw.
obviate	Prevent the occurrence of; prevent from happening. <i>The presence of roller blinds obviated the need for curtains.</i>
<u>ostracize</u>	(in ancient Greece) banish (an unpopular or overly powerful citizen) from a city for five or ten years by popular vote. <i>She was declared a witch and ostracized by the villagers.</i>
parry	An act of parrying something. <i>Her question met with a polite parry.</i>
<u>preclude</u>	Keep from happening or arising; make impossible. <i>The secret nature of his work precluded official recognition.</i>
<u>shun</u>	Persistently avoid, ignore, or reject (someone or something) through antipathy or caution. <i>He shunned fashionable society.</i>
sidestep	Avoid (someone or something) by stepping sideways. <i>He neatly sidestepped the questions about riots.</i>
<u>thwart</u>	A structural crosspiece forming a seat for a rower in a boat. <i>He was thwarted in his desire to punish Uncle Fred.</i>
undiagnosed	Not diagnosed or having been subject to diagnosis. <i>Undiagnosed disease.</i>

