

Need another word that means the same as “captive”? Find 13 synonyms and 30 related words for “captive” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Captive” are: prisoner, convict, detainee, inmate, absorbed, engrossed, enwrapped, intent, wrapped, confined, imprisoned, jailed, caged

Captive as a Noun

Definitions of "Captive" as a noun

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

- *A person who is confined; especially a prisoner of war.*
- *An animal that is confined.*
- *A person who has been taken prisoner or an animal that has been confined.*
- *A person held in the grip of a strong emotion or passion.*



Synonyms of "Captive" as a noun (4 Words)

- convict** A person who has been convicted of a criminal offense.
*Two escaped **convicts** kidnapped them at gunpoint.*
- detainee** Some held in custody.
*All political **detainees** were freed in August.*
- inmate** One of several occupants of a house.
***Inmates** of the Louisiana State Penitentiary.*
- prisoner** A person who is confined especially a prisoner of war.
*She may have been held **prisoner** before being killed.*



Usage Examples of "Captive" as a noun

- *The policeman put a pair of handcuffs on the captive.*



Captive as an Adjective

Definitions of "Captive" as an adjective

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

- *Giving or marked by complete attention to- Walter de la Mare.*
- *(of a facility or service) controlled by, and typically for the sole use of, an organization.*
- *Having no freedom to choose alternatives or to avoid something.*
- *Imprisoned or confined.*
- *Giving or marked by complete attention to.*
- *Being in captivity.*



Synonyms of "Captive" as an adjective (9 Words)

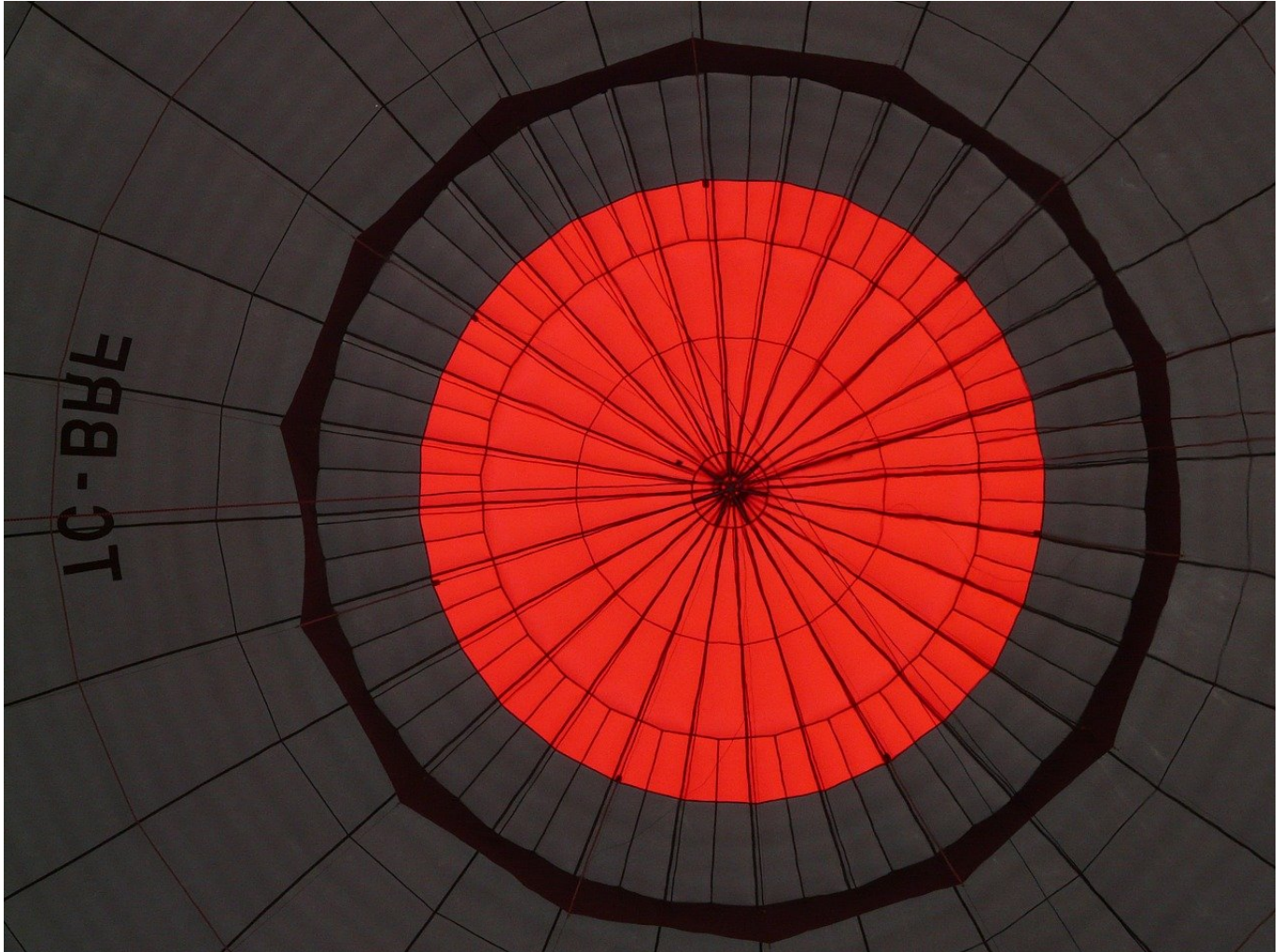
absorbed (of energy or a liquid or other substance) taken in or soaked up.
*The stones warm slowly throughout the day then radiate **absorbed** heat at night.*

caged	Confined in a cage. <i>A caged bird.</i>
confined	Being in captivity. <i>Her fear of confined spaces.</i>
engrossed	Giving or marked by complete attention to- Walter de la Mare. <i>That engrossed look or rapt delight.</i>
enwrapped	Giving or marked by complete attention to. <i>Enwrapped in dreams.</i>
imprisoned	Being in captivity. <i>An imprisoned dissident.</i>
intent	(of a look or expression) showing earnest and eager attention. <i>A curiously intent look on her face.</i>
jailed	Being in captivity.
wrapped	Overjoyed; delighted. <i>Enwrapped in dreams.</i>



Usage Examples of "Captive" as an adjective

- *Advertisements at the cinema reach a captive audience.*
- *A captive animal.*
- *The farm was used to hold prisoners of war captive.*
- *A captive power plant.*



Associations of "Captive" (30 Words)

absorbed	Having one's attention fully engaged; greatly interested. <i>The stones warm slowly throughout the day then radiate absorbed heat at night.</i>
arrest	Hold back, as of a danger or an enemy; check the expansion or influence of. <i>They got arrested during a police raid.</i>
captivity	The state of being imprisoned. <i>He was released after 865 days in captivity.</i>
capture	The action of capturing or of being captured. <i>The militia captured the castle.</i>

committal	The official act of consigning a person to confinement (as in a prison or mental hospital). <i>His committal to prison.</i>
confined	Being in captivity. <i>Her fear of confined spaces.</i>
confinement	Concluding state of pregnancy; from the onset of contractions to the birth of a child. <i>The pros and cons of home versus hospital confinement.</i>
constraint	A device that retards something's motion. <i>The availability of water is the main constraint on food production.</i>
<u>convict</u>	A person who has been convicted of a criminal offense. <i>The thieves were convicted of the robbery.</i>
<u>conviction</u>	The quality of showing that one is firmly convinced of what one believes or says. <i>She had a previous conviction for a similar offence.</i>
<u>cramped</u>	(of handwriting) small and difficult to read. <i>Trying to bring children up in cramped high rise apartments.</i>
<u>culprit</u>	A person who is responsible for a crime or other misdeed. <i>Low level ozone pollution is the real culprit.</i>
detention	A state of being confined (usually for a short time). <i>The detention of tardy pupils.</i>
<u>duress</u>	Constraint illegally exercised to force someone to perform an act. <i>Confessions extracted under duress.</i>
<u>engrossed</u>	Written formally in a large clear script, as a deed or other legal document. <i>That engrossed look or rapt delight.</i>
<u>imprisonment</u>	The state of being imprisoned. <i>The imprisonment of captured soldiers.</i>
incarcerate	Imprison or confine. <i>The murderer was incarcerated for the rest of his life.</i>
inmate	A patient who is residing in the hospital where he is being treated. <i>Inmates of the Louisiana State Penitentiary.</i>
intent	Intention or purpose. <i>A curiously intent look on her face.</i>
jail	Put someone in jail. <i>A jail sentence.</i>
parole	Release a prisoner on parole. <i>The prisoner was paroled after serving 10 years in prison.</i>

penitentiary	Used for punishment or reform of criminals or wrongdoers. <i>Penitentiary institutions.</i>
<u>perpetrator</u>	Someone who perpetrates wrongdoing. <i>The perpetrators of this horrific crime must be brought to justice.</i>
<u>preoccupied</u>	Having or showing excessive or compulsive concern with something. <i>She seemed a bit preoccupied.</i>
<u>prison</u>	Imprison. <i>He died in prison.</i>
<u>prisoner</u>	A person who is confined especially a prisoner of war. <i>He s become a prisoner of the publicity he s generated.</i>
repatriate	A person who has been repatriated. <i>Foreign firms would be permitted to repatriate all profits.</i>
restraint	The action of keeping someone or something under control. <i>The unlawful restraint of trade.</i>
<u>restricted</u>	Restricted in meaning as e g man in a tall man. <i>Western scientists had only restricted access to the site.</i>
<u>trapped</u>	Forced to turn and face attackers. <i>Like a trapped animal.</i>

