

Need another word that means the same as “certain”? Find 74 synonyms and 30 related words for “certain” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Certain” are: sure, sealed, unquestionable, definite, not in question, not in doubt, unequivocal, indubitable, undeniable, irrefutable, indisputable, incontrovertible, incontestable, obvious, patent, manifest, evident, plain, clear, transparent, palpable, unmistakable, conclusive, recognized, confirmed, accepted, acknowledged, undisputed, undoubted, unquestioned, unchallenged, uncontested, very likely, bound, destined, predestined, fated, trusted, assured of doing something, inevitable, assured, reliable, dependable, trustworthy, sound, foolproof, tested, effective, efficacious, guaranteed, unfailing, infallible, unerring, confident, positive, convinced, in no doubt, unshaken in one's belief, secure in one's belief, easy in one's mind, satisfied, determined, fixed, established, precise, defined, exact, explicit, express, particular, specific, individual, special, especial**

## Certain as an Adjective

### Definitions of "Certain" as an adjective

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

- *Having or feeling no doubt or uncertainty; confident and assured.*
- *Having or showing complete conviction about something.*
- *Established beyond doubt or question; definitely known.*
- *Established irrevocably.*
- *Exercising or taking care great enough to bring assurance.*
- *Used when mentioning the name of someone not known to the reader or hearer.*

- *Certain to occur; destined or inevitable.*
- *Reliable in operation or effect.*
- *Certain to occur; destined or inevitable- Benjamin Franklin.*
- *Able to be firmly relied on to happen or be the case.*
- *Definite but not specified or identified.*
- *Specific but not explicitly named or stated.*



## Synonyms of "Certain" as an adjective (74 Words)

### **accepted**

Generally believed or recognized to be valid or correct.  
*Several **accepted** techniques for treating the condition.*

### **acknowledged**

Admitted or accepted as true, valid, or legitimate.  
*He s an **acknowledged** expert in the field.*

### **assured**

Marked by assurance; exhibiting confidence.  
*An extremely **assured** performance.*

**assured of doing something**

Marked by assurance; exhibiting confidence.

**bound**

Headed or intending to head in a certain direction often used as a combining form as in college bound students.

*Leather **bound** volumes.*

**clear**

Clear and distinct to the senses easily perceptible.

*Her handwriting was **clear**.*

**conclusive**

(of a victory) achieved easily or by a large margin.

*The findings were by no means **conclusive**.*

**confident**

Persuaded of; very sure.

*This time they re **confident** of a happy ending.*

**confirmed**

Having been established or made firm or received the rite of confirmation.

*A **confirmed** teetotaller.*

**convinced**

Completely certain about something.

*Were **convinced** that it would be to their advantage to join.*

**defined**

Clearly characterized or delimited.

*Hills **defined** against the evening sky.*

**definite**

Clear or undeniable (used for emphasis).

***Definite** restrictions on the sale of alcohol.*

**dependable**

Trustworthy and reliable.

*The most valuable and **dependable** of America s allies.*

**destined**

Headed or intending to head in a certain direction; often used as a combining form as in `college-bound students.

*The Act seems **destined** to failure.*

**determined**

Having been learned or found or determined especially by investigation.

*Date and place are already **determined**.*

**easy in one's mind**

Free from worry or anxiety.

**effective**

Able to accomplish a purpose functioning effectively.

*An **effective** price of 176 million.*

**efficacious**

(of something inanimate or abstract) successful in producing a desired or intended result; effective.

*An **efficacious** law.*

**especial**

Better or greater than usual; special.

*These traditions are of **especial** interest to feminists.*

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| <b>established</b>      | Brought about or set up or accepted especially long established.<br><i>An <b>established</b> precedent.</i>              |
| <b>evident</b>          | Clearly seen or understood; obvious.<br><i>A clearly <b>evident</b> erasure in the manuscript.</i>                       |
| <b>exact</b>            | (of a person) accurate and careful about minor details.<br><i>She was an <b>exact</b> clever manager.</i>                |
| <b>explicit</b>         | Of a person stating something in an explicit manner.<br><i><b>Explicit</b> instructions.</i>                             |
| <b>express</b>          | Without unnecessary stops.<br><i>An <b>express</b> train.</i>  |
| <b>fated</b>            | (usually followed by `to') determined by tragic fate.<br><i><b>Fated</b> to be the scene of Kennedy's assassination.</i> |
| <b>fixed</b>            | Of a number having a fixed and unchanging value.<br><i>Loans are provided for a <b>fixed</b> period.</i>                 |
| <b>foolproof</b>        | Incapable of going wrong or being misused.<br><i>A <b>foolproof</b> security system.</i>                                 |
| <b>guaranteed</b>       | For which a guarantee is provided; formally assured.<br><i>The <b>guaranteed</b> bonus is not very high.</i>             |
| <b>in no doubt</b>      | Currently fashionable.   |
| <b>incontestable</b>    | Incapable of being contested or disputed.  |
| <b>incontrovertible</b> | Impossible to deny or disprove.<br><i><b>Incontrovertible</b> proof of the defendant's innocence.</i>                    |
| <b>indisputable</b>     | Not open to question; obviously true.<br><i><b>Indisputable</b> evidence of a witness.</i>                               |
| <b>individual</b>       | Separate and distinct from others of the same kind.<br><i>The <b>individual</b> needs of the children.</i>               |
| <b>indubitable</b>      | Too obvious to be doubted.<br><i>An <b>indubitable</b> truth.</i>  |
| <b>inevitable</b>       | Certain to happen; unavoidable.<br><i>War was <b>inevitable</b>.</i>   |
| <b>infallible</b>       | (in the Roman Catholic Church) credited with papal infallibility.<br><i>An <b>infallible</b> antidote.</i>               |
| <b>irrefutable</b>      | Impossible to deny or disprove.<br><i>An <b>irrefutable</b> argument.</i>  |

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| <b><u>manifest</u></b>        | Clearly revealed to the mind or the senses or judgment.<br><i>Her <b>manifest</b> charm and proven ability.</i>   |
| <b>not in doubt</b>           | Holding office.   |
| <b>not in question</b>        | Holding office.   |
| <b>obvious</b>                | Easily perceived or understood; clear, self-evident, or apparent.<br><i>It was <b>obvious</b> a storm was coming in.</i>                                      |
| <b><u>palpable</u></b>        | So intense as to be almost touched or felt.<br><i>To talk of dawn raids in the circumstances is <b>palpable</b> nonsense.</i>                                 |
| <b>particular</b>             | Surpassing what is common or usual or expected.<br><i>A matter of <b>particular</b> and unusual importance.</i>   |
| <b><u>patent</u></b>          | Made and marketed under a patent proprietary.<br><i>The patient is usually left with a <b>patent</b> vessel.</i>  |
| <b>plain</b>                  | (of written or spoken usage) clearly expressed, without the use of technical or abstruse terms.<br><i><b>Plain</b> water.</i>                                 |
| <b>positive</b>               | Having a positive charge.<br><i>A plus or <b>positive</b> factor.</i>   |
| <b><u>precise</u></b>         | Marked by exactness and accuracy of expression or detail.<br><i>Specified a <b>precise</b> amount.</i>  |
| <b>predestined</b>            | Established or prearranged unalterably.<br><i>It seemed <b>predestined</b> since the beginning of the world.</i>  |
| <b>recognized</b>             | Generally approved or compelling recognition.<br><i>A <b>recognized</b> authority.</i>  |
| <b>reliable</b>               | Worthy of being depended on.<br><i><b>Reliable</b> information.</i>   |
| <b><u>satisfied</u></b>       | Allayed.<br><i>She was very <b>satisfied</b> with the results.</i>  |
| <b><u>sealed</u></b>          | Undisclosed for the time being.<br><i>My lips are <b>sealed</b>.</i>  |
| <b>secure in one's belief</b> | Immune to attack; incapable of being tampered with.   |
| <b>sound</b>                  | Free from moral defect.<br><i>A <b>sound</b> foundation.</i>  |
| <b>special</b>                | Used to denote education for children with particular needs especially those with learning difficulties.<br><i>The <b>special</b> features of a computer.</i> |

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| <b><u>specific</u></b>       | Belonging or relating uniquely to a particular subject.<br><i>Needed a <b>specific</b> amount.</i>                                   |
| <b><u>sure</u></b>           | Having or feeling no doubt or uncertainty confident and assured.<br><i>A <b>sure</b> hand on the throttle.</i>                       |
| <b><u>tested</u></b>         | Tested and proved useful or correct.<br><i>A <b>tested</b> method.</i>   |
| <b><u>transparent</u></b>    | (of a process or interface) functioning without the user being aware of its presence.<br><i><b>Transparent</b> chiffon.</i>          |
| <b><u>trusted</u></b>        | Worthy of trust or confidence.<br><i>A <b>sure</b> or <b>trusted</b> friend.</i>   |
| <b><u>trustworthy</u></b>    | Taking responsibility for one's conduct and obligations.<br><i>An <b>experienced</b> and <b>trustworthy</b> traveling companion.</i> |
| <b><u>unchallenged</u></b>   | Generally agreed upon; not subject to dispute.<br><i>The report's findings did not go <b>unchallenged</b>.</i>                       |
| <b><u>uncontested</u></b>    | Not contested.<br><i>These claims have not gone <b>uncontested</b>.</i>  |
| <b><u>undeniable</u></b>     | Not possible to deny.<br><i>It is an <b>undeniable</b> fact that some dogs are easier to train than others.</i>                      |
| <b><u>undisputed</u></b>     | Not disputed or called in question; accepted.<br><i>The <b>undisputed</b> fact.</i>  |
| <b><u>undoubted</u></b>      | Not questioned or doubted by anyone.<br><i>Her <b>undoubted</b> ability.</i>   |
| <b><u>unequivocal</u></b>    | Clearly defined or formulated.<br><i>Took an <b>unequivocal</b> position.</i>  |
| <b><u>unerring</u></b>       | Not liable to error-G.G.Coulton.<br><i>An <b>unerring</b> sense of direction.</i>  |
| <b><u>unfailing</u></b>      | Unceasing.<br><i>An <b>unfailing</b> source of good stories.</i>   |
| <b><u>unmistakable</u></b>   | Clearly revealed to the mind or the senses or judgment.<br><i>The <b>unmistakable</b> sound of his laughter.</i>                     |
| <b><u>unquestionable</u></b> | Not counterfeit or copied.<br><i>An <b>unquestionable</b> antique.</i>   |
| <b><u>unquestioned</u></b>   | Generally agreed upon; not subject to dispute.<br><i>An <b>unquestioned</b> assumption.</i>  |

**unshaken in one's belief** Unshaken in purpose.

**very likely** Being the exact same one; not any other.



## Usage Examples of "Certain" as an adjective

- *A certain General Percy captured the town.*
- *He raised certain personal problems with me.*
- *Felt certain of success.*
- *It is certain that they were on the bus.*
- *Are you absolutely certain about this?*
- *His fate is certain.*
- *Be certain to disconnect the iron when you are through.*
- *A certain popular teacher.*
- *Was sure (or certain) she had seen it.*
- *To a certain degree.*
- *He was certain to fail.*
- *A quick and certain remedy.*

- *A certain Mrs. Jones.*
- *In this life nothing is certain but death and taxes.*
- *It's certain that more changes are in the offing.*
- *Certain members have not paid their dues.*
- *The date for the invasion is certain.*
- *What is certain is that every effect must have a cause.*
- *Certain breeds do not make good pets.*
- *Set aside a certain sum each week.*
- *The exercise was causing him a certain amount of pain.*
- *He faced certain death.*
- *She looks certain to win an Oscar.*



## Associations of "Certain" (30 Words)

### absolute

Not qualified or diminished in any way; total.  
*The decree of nullity was made **absolute**.*



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| <b>assurance</b>          | A statement intended to inspire confidence.<br><i>The President s <b>assurances</b> were not respected.</i>   |
| <b>assured</b>            | Marked by assurance; exhibiting confidence.<br><i>We can never have completely <b>assured</b> lives.</i>  |
| <b>certitude</b>          | Something that someone firmly believes is true.<br><i>The question may never be answered with <b>certitude</b>.</i>   |
| <b>confident</b>          | Persuaded of; very sure.<br><i>Was <b>confident</b> he would win.</i>   |
| <b><u>convince</u></b>    | Make (someone) agree, understand, or realize the truth or validity of something.<br><i>Robert s expression had obviously <b>convinced</b> her of his innocence.</i> |
| <b>convinced</b>          | Completely certain about something.<br><i>She was not entirely <b>convinced</b> of the soundness of his motives.</i>  |
| <b>corroborative</b>      | Serving to support or corroborate.  |
| <b>decided</b>            | Recognizable; marked.<br><i>You could never talk him round he was very <b>decided</b>.</i>  |
| <b><u>definite</u></b>    | (of a person) certain or sure about something.<br><i>We had no <b>definite</b> plans.</i>   |
| <b>dependable</b>         | Financially safe.<br><i>A <b>dependable</b> worker.</i>   |
| <b><u>destined</u></b>    | Governed by fate.<br><i>The shipment of illegal drugs <b>destined</b> for American and European markets.</i>  |
| <b>determinate</b>        | Supplying or being a final or conclusive settlement.<br><i><b>Determinate</b> growth.</i>   |
| <b>foolproof</b>          | Proof against human misuse or error.<br><i>A <b>foolproof</b> security system.</i>  |
| <b><u>inalienable</u></b> | Incapable of being repudiated or transferred to another.<br><i>The shareholders have the <b>inalienable</b> right to dismiss directors.</i>                         |
| <b>incontestable</b>      | Not open to question; obviously true.   |
| <b>indisputable</b>       | Unable to be challenged or denied.<br><i><b>Indisputable</b> or sure proof.</i>   |
| <b>indubitably</b>        | In a manner or to a degree that could not be doubted.<br><i><b>Indubitably</b> liberalism parades under many guises.</i>  |
| <b><u>inevitable</u></b>  | An unavoidable event.<br><i>The <b>inevitable</b> changes of the seasons.</i>   |

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| <b>panache</b>             | Distinctive and stylish elegance.<br><i>He entertained London society with great <b>panache</b>.</i>                                |
| <b><u>proven</u></b>       | Established beyond doubt.<br><i>A <b>proven</b> ability to work hard.</i>   |
| <b>reliable</b>            | A reliable person or thing.<br><i>The supporting cast includes old <b>reliables</b> like Mitchell.</i>                              |
| <b><u>sure</u></b>         | Having or feeling no doubt or uncertainty confident and assured.<br><i>Was <b>sure</b> or certain she had seen it.</i>              |
| <b>swagger</b>             | A proud stiff pompous gait.<br><i>He <b>swaggered</b> along the corridor.</i>   |
| <b><u>tested</u></b>       | Tested and proved useful or correct.<br><i>A <b>tested</b> method.</i>  |
| <b>unalienable</b>         | Incapable of being repudiated or transferred to another.<br><i>Endowed by their Creator with certain <b>unalienable</b> rights.</i> |
| <b><u>unequivocal</u></b>  | Clearly defined or formulated.<br><i>An <b>unequivocal</b> success.</i>   |
| <b><u>unmistakable</u></b> | Clearly revealed to the mind or the senses or judgment.<br><i>His opposition to slavery was <b>unmistakable</b>.</i>                |
| <b>unquestionably</b>      | Without question and beyond doubt.<br><i>The awards were <b>unquestionably</b> deserved.</i>  |
| <b>verified</b>            | Proved to be true.<br><i>A <b>verified</b> claim.</i>   |

