

Need another word that means the same as “collude”? Find 8 synonyms and 30 related words for “collude” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Collude” are: conspire, connive, intrigue, be hand in glove, plot, participate in a conspiracy, collaborate, scheme

Collude as a Verb

Definitions of "Collude" as a verb

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

- *Act in unison or agreement and in secret towards a deceitful or illegal purpose.*
- *Cooperate in a secret or unlawful way in order to deceive or gain an advantage over others.*



Synonyms of "Collude" as a verb (8 Words)

be hand in glove	To remain unmolested, undisturbed, or uninterrupted — used only in infinitive form.
collaborate	Cooperate traitorously with an enemy. <i>He collaborated with the Nazis when they occupied Paris.</i>
connive	Encourage or assent to illegally or criminally. <i>She connived with a senior official to rig the results of last year's election.</i>
<u>conspire</u>	Make secret plans jointly to commit an unlawful or harmful act. <i>Everything conspires to exacerbate the situation.</i>
intrigue	Form intrigues for in an underhand manner. <i>Henry and Louis intrigued with the local nobles.</i>
participate in a conspiracy	Share in something.

plot

Mark (a route or position) on a chart.
*A cooling curve is **plotted** and the freezing point determined.*

scheme

Devise a system or form a scheme for.
*I **scheme** it could work.*



Usage Examples of "Collude" as a verb

- *Certain officials were colluding in the avoidance of drugs tests.*
- *The president accused his opponents of colluding with foreigners.*

Associations of "Collude" (30 Words)

abet

Encourage or assist (someone) to do something wrong, in particular to commit a crime.
*He was not guilty of murder but was guilty of aiding and **abetting** others.*

accomplice

A person who joins with another in carrying out some plan (especially an unethical or illegal plan).
*An **accomplice** in the murder.*

allegedly	Used to convey that something is claimed to be the case or have taken place, although there is no proof. <i>Allegedly obscene material.</i>
bribery	The giving or offering of a bribe. <i>His opponent had been guilty of bribery and corruption.</i>
cabal	A clique (often secret) that seeks power usually through intrigue. <i>A cabal of dissidents.</i>
cheat	An act of cheating a fraud or deception. <i>She cheated death in a spectacular crash.</i>
collusion	Collusion between ostensible opponents in a lawsuit. <i>The armed forces were working in collusion with drug traffickers.</i>
complicity	Guilt as an accomplice in a crime or offense. <i>They were accused of complicity in the attempt to overthrow the government.</i>
connivance	(law) tacit approval of someone's wrongdoing. <i>This infringement of the law had taken place with the connivance of officials.</i>
connive	Conspire to do something immoral, illegal, or harmful. <i>She connived with a senior official to rig the results of last year's election.</i>
conspiracy	The action of plotting or conspiring. <i>They were cleared of conspiracy to pervert the course of justice.</i>
conspire	(of events or circumstances) seem to be working together to bring about a particular negative result. <i>They conspired against him.</i>
covered	Overlaid or spread or topped with or enclosed within something; sometimes used as a combining form. <i>Women with covered faces.</i>
embezzlement	Theft or misappropriation of funds placed in one's trust or belonging to one's employer. <i>Charges of fraud and embezzlement.</i>
fraud	Intentional deception resulting in injury to another person. <i>Mediums exposed as tricksters and frauds.</i>
gossip	A conversation about other people an instance of gossiping. <i>He became the subject of much local gossip.</i>
intrigue	Form intrigues for in an underhand manner. <i>Within the region's borders is a wealth of interest and intrigue.</i>
involved	Emotionally involved. <i>I don't want to get involved.</i>

<u>involvement</u>	The act of sharing in the activities of a group. <i>She knew that involvement with Adam would only complicate her life.</i>
junto	A political grouping or faction, especially in 17th- and 18th-century Britain.
maliciously	In a manner characterized by malice or ill will; with intent to do harm. <i>A maliciously constructed website.</i>
patsy	A person who is easily taken advantage of, especially by being cheated or blamed for something. <i>There is a mischievous sparkle in his eyes that suggests he is no patsy.</i>
peculation	The fraudulent appropriation of funds or property entrusted to your care but actually owned by someone else.
<u>perpetrate</u>	Perform an act, usually with a negative connotation. <i>A crime has been perpetrated against a sovereign state.</i>
purposely	On purpose; intentionally. <i>She had purposely made it difficult.</i>
scandal	The outrage or anger caused by a scandalous action or event. <i>I know that you would want no scandal attached to her name.</i>
secretly	In a secret way; without others knowing. <i>The two were secretly married in 1751.</i>
story	A plot or storyline. <i>What s the story on this man Is he from around here.</i>
<u>suspicion</u>	A feeling or thought that something is possible, likely, or true. <i>A suspicion of a smile.</i>
willfully	In a willful manner. <i>She had willfully deceived me.</i>