

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)

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

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

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