

Need another word that means the same as “compensate”? Find 37 synonyms and 30 related words for “compensate” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Compensate” are: recompense, remunerate, correct, counterbalance, even off, even out, even up, make up, cover, overcompensate, pay, pay off, indemnify, repair, redress, right, repay, pay back, reimburse, recoup, requite, make amends, make restitution, make reparation, make recompense, atone, balance, balance out, counteract, counterpoise, countervail, make up for, offset, cancel out, neutralize, nullify, square up

Compensate as a Verb

Definitions of "Compensate" as a verb

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

- *Make up for shortcomings or a feeling of inferiority by exaggerating good qualities.*
- *Reduce or counteract (something unwelcome or unpleasant) by exerting an opposite force or effect.*
- *Act so as to neutralize or correct (a deficiency or abnormality in a physical property or effect).*
- *Do or give something to somebody in return.*
- *Make payment to; compensate.*
- *Make reparations or amends for.*
- *Pay (someone) for work performed.*
- *Adjust for.*
- *Give (someone) something, typically money, in recognition of loss, suffering, or injury incurred; recompense.*

- *Make amends for; pay compensation for.*
- *Attempt to conceal or offset (a disability or frustration) by development in another direction.*



Synonyms of "Compensate" as a verb (37 Words)

atone	Make amends or reparation. <i>A human sacrifice to atone for the sin.</i>
balance	Bring into balance or equilibrium. <i>Richard balanced on the ball of one foot.</i>
balance out	Be in equilibrium.
cancel out	Make up for.
correct	Make right or correct. <i>Motorists can have their headlights tested and corrected at a reduced price on Saturday.</i>

counteract	Oppose or check by a counteraction. <i>Should we deliberately intervene in the climate system to counteract global warming.</i>
counterbalance	Contrast with equal weight or force. <i>The sitter s weight counterbalances the tilting pressure on the backrest.</i>
counterpoise	Bring into contrast. <i>The stories counterpoise a young recruit with an old timer.</i>
countervail	Oppose and mitigate the effects of by contrary actions. <i>Stereotypes are countervailed by more realistic assessments.</i>
cover	Provide with a covering or cause to be covered. <i>Development officers whose work would cover a large area.</i>
even off	Make level or straight.
even out	Become even or more even.
even up	Make level or straight.
indemnify	Compensate (someone) for harm or loss. <i>The company has taken out insurance to indemnify its directors against liability when acting for the group.</i>
make amends	Form by assembling individuals or constituents.
make recompense	Compel or make somebody or something to act in a certain way.
make reparation	Favor the development of.
make restitution	Behave in a certain way.
make up	Appear to begin an activity.
make up for	Represent fictitiously, as in a play, or pretend to be or act like.
neutralize	Make chemically neutral. <i>The double agent was neutralized.</i>
nullify	Declare invalid. <i>Insulin can block the release of the hormone and thereby nullify the effects of training.</i>
offset	Create an offset in. <i>There was some offsetting on to text.</i>
overcompensate	Make excessive corrections for fear of making an error. <i>He was overcompensating for fears about the future.</i>
pay	Cancel or discharge a debt. <i>Jobs that pay 5 an hour.</i>
pay back	Do or give something to somebody in return.

pay off	Give money, usually in exchange for goods or services.
recompense	Make amends to (someone) for loss or harm suffered; compensate. <i>He was recompensed for the wasted time.</i>
recoup	Deduct or keep back (part of a sum due). <i>Oil companies are keen to recoup their investment.</i>
redress	Remedy or set right (an undesirable or unfair situation). <i>The power to redress the grievances of our citizens.</i>
reimburse	Reimburse or compensate someone as for a loss. <i>The investors should be reimbursed for their losses.</i>
remunerate	Make payment to; compensate. <i>My efforts were not remunerated.</i>
repair	Set straight or right. <i>Repair an oversight.</i>
repay	Make repayment for or return something. <i>Most of his fortune had been spent repaying creditors.</i>
requite	Return a favour to (someone). <i>To win enough to requite my friends.</i>
right	Make right or correct. <i>She was determined to right the wrongs done to her father.</i>
square up	Cause to match, as of ideas or acts.

Usage Examples of "Compensate" as a verb

- *Payments were made to farmers to compensate them for cuts in subsidies.*
- *The manager is hoping for victory to compensate for the team's dismal league campaign.*
- *They put on grandiose airs to compensate for their feelings of worthlessness.*
- *The output voltage rises, compensating for the original fall.*
- *She was compensated for the loss of her arm in the accident.*
- *He will be richly compensated for his efforts.*

Associations of "Compensate" (30 Words)

actuary	Someone versed in the collection and interpretation of numerical data (especially someone who uses statistics to calculate insurance premiums).
atone	Make amends or reparation. <i>A human sacrifice to atone for the sin.</i>

bonus	Anything that tends to arouse. <i>Good weather is an added bonus but the real appeal is the landscape.</i>
compensation	The action or process of awarding compensation. <i>The grey streets of London were small compensation for the loss of her beloved Africa.</i>
counterbalance	Contrast with equal weight or force. <i>The extra cost of mail order may be counterbalanced by its convenience.</i>
earnings	Something that remunerates. <i>They saved a quarter of all their earnings.</i>
equipoise	Equality of distribution. <i>As a piece of language it is as delicately equipoised as any.</i>
indemnify	Make amends for; pay compensation for. <i>Each of the parties shall indemnify me for all reasonable costs of defending such actions and proceedings.</i>
indemnity	A sum of money paid in compensation for loss or injury. <i>A deed of indemnity.</i>
insurance	Promise of reimbursement in the case of loss paid to people or companies so concerned about hazards that they have made prepayments to an insurance company. <i>When will I be able to collect the insurance.</i>
intension	The internal content of a concept.
meed	A person's deserved share of praise, honour, etc. <i>He must extract from her some meed of approbation.</i>
offset	Create an offset in. <i>There was some offsetting on to text.</i>
pay	Give (a sum of money) in exchange for goods or work done or to settle a debt. <i>He wasted his pay on drink.</i>
payment	An amount paid or payable. <i>Three interest free monthly payments.</i>
policyholder	A person who holds an insurance policy; usually, the client in whose name an insurance policy is written.
recompense	Payment or reward (as for service rendered). <i>Offenders should recompense their victims.</i>
redeem	Gain or regain possession of (something) in exchange for payment. <i>He was a sinner redeemed by the grace of God.</i>

reimburse	Reimburse or compensate someone as for a loss. <i>Can the company reimburse me for my professional travel.</i>
remunerate	Make payment to; compensate. <i>My efforts were not remunerated.</i>
remuneration	The act of paying for goods or services or to recompense for losses. <i>Adequate remuneration for his work.</i>
repair	The action of repairing something. <i>This treatment repaired my health.</i>
reparable	Capable of being repaired or rectified. <i>Reparable damage to the car.</i>
<u>reparation</u>	The action of repairing something. <i>The courts required a convicted offender to make financial reparation to his victim.</i>
<u>repay</u>	Make repayment for or return something. <i>Most of his fortune had been spent repaying creditors.</i>
requite	Make appropriate return for (a favour, service, or wrongdoing). <i>They are quick to requite a kindness.</i>
<u>restitution</u>	The resumption of an object's original shape or position through elastic recoil. <i>Restitution of the damaged mucosa.</i>
reward	Bestow honor or rewards upon. <i>A slap on the face was his reward for his cheek.</i>
<u>salary</u>	Pay a salary to. <i>The Chinese system salary the doctor and stop his pay when you get ill.</i>
wage	Something that remunerates. <i>We were struggling to get better wages.</i>