

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

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**The synonyms of “Complementary” are: complementary, completing, harmonious, supportive, supporting, reciprocal, interdependent, interrelated, compatible, corresponding, matching, twin, complementary color**

## Complementary as a Noun

### Definitions of "Complementary" as a noun

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

- *Either one of two chromatic colors that when mixed together give white (in the case of lights) or grey (in the case of pigments).*



## Synonyms of "Complementary" as a noun (1 Word)

**complementary color** Either one of two chromatic colors that when mixed together give white (in the case of lights) or grey (in the case of pigments).



## Complementary as an Adjective

### Definitions of "Complementary" as an adjective

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

- *Acting as or providing a complement (something that completes the whole).*
- *Relating to complementary medicine.*
- *Of words or propositions so related that each is the negation of the other.*
- *(of gene sequences, nucleotides, etc.) related by the rules of base pairing.*
- *Combining in such a way as to enhance or emphasize the qualities of each other or another.*



## Synonyms of "Complementary" as an adjective (12 Words)

<b>compatible</b>	(of a computer, piece of software, etc.) able to be used with a specified piece of equipment or software without special adaptation or modification. <i>The careers structure here is not <b>compatible</b> with having a family.</i>
<b>complemental</b>	Acting as or providing a complement (something that completes the whole).
<b>completing</b>	Having every necessary or normal part or component or step.
<b>corresponding</b>	Accompanying. <i>A number of <b>corresponding</b> diagonal points.</i>
<b>harmonious</b>	Musically pleasing. <i>The decor is a <b>harmonious</b> blend of traditional and modern.</i>
<b><u>interdependent</u></b>	Mutually dependent. <i>We in Europe are all increasingly <b>interdependent</b>.</i>
<b><u>interrelated</u></b>	Reciprocally connected.

<b>matching</b>	Being two identical. <i>The college will provide <b>matching</b> funds to complete the project.</i>
<b><u>reciprocal</u></b>	(of a pronoun or verb) expressing mutual action or relationship. <i>The treaty is a bilateral commitment with <b>reciprocal</b> rights and duties.</i>
<b>supporting</b>	Bearing all or part of the weight of something. <i><b>Supporting</b> structures for the elevated roads will be brought to site by huge trailers.</i>
<b>supportive</b>	Furnishing support or assistance. <i>The staff are extremely <b>supportive</b> of each other.</i>
<b><u>twin</u></b>	Of a crystal twinned. <i>She gave birth to <b>twin</b> boys.</i>



## Usage Examples of "Complementary" as an adjective

- *The second TV network was complementary to the BBC.*
- *A pair of complementary oligonucleotides were synthesized.*
- *'male' and 'female' are complementary terms.*
- *Complementary therapies such as aromatherapy.*
- *They had different but complementary skills.*



## Associations of "Complementary" (30 Words)

<b>additive</b>	Relating to the reproduction of colours by the superimposition of primary colours. <i>The video monitor uses the <b>additive</b> colours red green and blue.</i>
<b>adjunct</b>	A construction that can be used to extend the meaning of a word or phrase but is not one of the main constituents of a sentence. <i>A talented <b>adjunct</b> desperately grabbing at officer status.</i>
<b>adjutant</b>	Large Indian stork with a military gait. <i>He eventually became <b>adjutant</b> to the commander of the tactical air force.</i>
<u><a href="#">agree</a></u>	Consent or assent to a condition or agree to do something. <i>I can't <b>agree</b> with you.</i>
<u><a href="#">agreeable</a></u>	Quite enjoyable and pleasurable; pleasant. <i>They were <b>agreeable</b> to its publication.</i>

<b>agreed</b>	(of two or more parties) holding the same view or opinion on something. <i>Agreed in their distrust of authority.</i>
<b>aide</b>	An officer who acts as military assistant to a more senior officer. <i>A presidential <b>aide</b>.</i>
<b>ancillary</b>	Providing necessary support to the primary activities or operation of an organization, system, etc. <i>Ancillary staff.</i>
<b>assist</b>	Act as an assistant in a subordinate or supportive function. <i>A senior academic would <b>assist</b> him in his work.</i>
<b>assistant</b>	A person who ranks below a senior person. <i>A care <b>assistant</b>.</i>
<b>auxiliary</b>	An auxiliary verb. <i>An <b>auxiliary</b> schooner.</i>
<b>bilateral</b>	Having identical parts on each side of an axis. <i>A <b>bilateral</b> agreement between the United States and Japan.</i>
<b>common</b>	Common to or shared by two or more parties. <i>Produced the <b>common</b> cloths used by the poorer population.</i>
<b>constitutive</b>	Constitutional in the structure of something (especially your physical makeup). <i>Language is <b>constitutive</b> of thought.</i>
<b>counseling</b>	Something that provides direction or advice as to a decision or course of action.
<b>counselor</b>	Someone who has supervisory duties at a summer camp.
<b>diagnose</b>	Determine or distinguish the nature of a problem or an illness through a diagnostic analysis. <i>Two doctors failed to <b>diagnose</b> a punctured lung.</i>
<b>endorsement</b>	A clause in an insurance policy detailing an exemption from or change in cover. <i>The cashier would not cash the check without an <b>endorsement</b>.</i>
<b>help</b>	The action of helping someone to do something. <i>Offered his <b>help</b> in unloading.</i>
<b>interdependent</b>	(of two or more people or things) dependent on each other. <i>We in Europe are all increasingly <b>interdependent</b>.</i>
<b>interplay</b>	The way in which two or more things have an effect on each other. <i>The <b>interplay</b> between inheritance and learning.</i>
<b>mutual</b>	A mutual building society or insurance company. <i>A partnership based on <b>mutual</b> respect and understanding.</i>

<b>mutually</b>	With mutual action; in a mutual relationship. <i>Adoption and fostering are not necessarily <b>mutually</b> exclusive alternatives.</i>
<b>patient</b>	Able to accept or tolerate delays, problems, or suffering without becoming annoyed or anxious. <i>A <b>patient</b> and painstaking approach.</i>
<b>psychotherapy</b>	The treatment of mental or emotional problems by psychological means.
<b>relieve</b>	Relieve oneself of troubling information. <i>He was <b>relieved</b> by her change of tone.</i>
<b>supportive</b>	Furnishing support or assistance. <i>The staff are extremely <b>supportive</b> of each other.</i>
<b><u>therapist</u></b>	A person who treats psychological problems a psychotherapist. <i>A certified massage <b>therapist</b>.</i>
<b><u>therapy</u></b>	(medicine) the act of caring for someone (as by medication or remedial training etc). <i>The <b>therapy</b> helps the patient to deal with difficult relationships.</i>
<b>together</b>	Assembled in one place. <i>The experience has brought us <b>together</b>.</i>



