

Need another word that means the same as “culprit”? Find 4 synonyms and 30 related words for “culprit” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Culprit” are: perpetrator, offender, wrongdoer, person responsible**

## **Culprit as a Noun**

### **Definitions of "Culprit" as a noun**

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

- *A person who is responsible for a crime or other misdeed.*
- *Someone who perpetrates wrongdoing.*
- *The cause of a problem or defect.*



## Synonyms of "Culprit" as a noun (4 Words)

<b>offender</b>	A person who transgresses moral or civil law. <i>An institution for young <b>offenders</b>.</i>
<b><u>perpetrator</u></b>	Someone who perpetrates wrongdoing. <i>The <b>perpetrators</b> of this horrific crime must be brought to justice.</i>
<b>person responsible</b>	A human body (usually including the clothing).
<b>wrongdoer</b>	A person who behaves illegally or dishonestly; an offender. <i>They need to punish <b>wrongdoers</b>.</i>

## Usage Examples of "Culprit" as a noun

- *Low-level ozone pollution is the real culprit.*
- *The car's front nearside door had been smashed in but the culprits had fled.*

## Associations of "Culprit" (30 Words)

<b>apprehend</b>	Get the meaning of something. <i>We enter a field of vision we could not otherwise <b>apprehend</b>.</i>
<b>capture</b>	A person or thing that has been captured. <i>She did a series of sketches trying to <b>capture</b> all his moods.</i>
<b>catch</b>	Catch up with and possibly overtake. <i>Did you <b>catch</b> a cold.</i>
<b>committal</b>	The action of sending a person to prison or a psychiatric hospital. <i>The high level of <b>committals</b>.</i>
<b><u>confession</u></b>	The religious body or Church sharing a confession of faith. <i>Leading figures from every Christian <b>confession</b>.</i>
<b><u>convict</u></b>	A person who has been convicted of a criminal offense. <i>The man was <b>convicted</b> of fraud and sentenced.</i>
<b><u>conviction</u></b>	A firmly held belief or opinion. <i>The <b>conviction</b> came as no surprise.</i>
<b>criminal</b>	Involving or being or having the nature of a crime. <i>They are charged with conspiracy to commit <b>criminal</b> damage.</i>
<b>guilty</b>	Conscious of, affected by, or revealing a feeling of guilt. <i>A <b>guilty</b> conscience.</i>
<b>impenitent</b>	Not penitent or remorseful. <i><b>Impenitent</b> elitists.</i>

<b>incarcerate</b>	Imprison or confine. <i>The murderer was <b>incarcerated</b> for the rest of his life.</i>
<b>indictment</b>	A thing that serves to illustrate that a system or situation is bad and deserves to be condemned. <i>These rapidly escalating crime figures are an <b>indictment</b> of our society.</i>
<b>inmate</b>	A patient who is residing in the hospital where he is being treated. <i><b>Inmates</b> of the Louisiana State Penitentiary.</i>
<b>intern</b>	Serve as an intern. <i>During WW II Japanese were <b>interned</b> in camps in the West.</i>
<b>jail</b>	Lock up or confine in or as in a jail. <i>He spent 15 years in <b>jail</b>.</i>
<b><u>murderer</u></b>	A criminal who commits homicide (who performs the unlawful premeditated killing of another human being). <i>Convicted <b>murderers</b>.</i>
<b>offender</b>	A person who transgresses moral or civil law. <i>You can't get away from sex these days and the TV is the worst <b>offender</b>.</i>
<b>penance</b>	Impose a penance on. <i>He had done public <b>penance</b> for those hasty words.</i>
<b>penitence</b>	Remorse for your past conduct. <i>A public display of <b>penitence</b>.</i>
<b>penitent</b>	A person who repents for wrongdoing (a Roman Catholic may be admitted to penance under the direction of a confessor). <i>A <b>penitent</b> expression.</i>
<b>penitential</b>	Showing or constituting penance. <i>Wrote a <b>penitential</b> letter apologizing for her hasty words.</i>
<b>penitentiary</b>	A prison for people convicted of serious crimes. <i><b>Penitentiary</b> institutions.</i>
<b><u>perpetrator</u></b>	A person who carries out a harmful, illegal, or immoral act. <i>The <b>perpetrators</b> of this horrific crime must be brought to justice.</i>
<b><u>prison</u></b>	Imprison. <i>Both men were sent to <b>prison</b>.</i>
<b><u>prisoner</u></b>	A person who is confined especially a prisoner of war. <i>He's become a <b>prisoner</b> of the publicity he's generated.</i>
<b>regret</b>	Express with regret. <i>I <b>regret</b> to say that you did not gain admission to Harvard.</i>
<b>repent</b>	Turn away from sin or do penitence. <i>The Padre urged his listeners to <b>repent</b>.</i>

Remorse for your past conduct.

**repentance** *Each person who turns to God in genuine **repentance** and faith will be saved.*

**repentant** Expressing or feeling sincere regret and remorse; remorseful.  
*He is truly **repentant** for his incredible naivety and stupidity.*

**sinner** A person who sins (without repenting).  
*God forgives repentant **sinner**s.*