

Need another word that means the same as “debunk”? Find 19 synonyms and 30 related words for “debunk” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Debunk” are: expose, explode, deflate, puncture, quash, knock the bottom out of, drive a coach and horses through, show in its true light, discredit, disprove, contradict, controvert, confute, invalidate, negate, give the lie to, prove to be false, challenge, call into question

Debunk as a Verb

Definitions of "Debunk" as a verb

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

- *Expose while ridiculing; especially of pretentious or false claims and ideas.*
- *Expose the falseness or hollowness of (an idea or belief).*
- *Reduce the inflated reputation of (someone).*

Synonyms of "Debunk" as a verb (19 Words)

call into question	Pay a brief visit.
challenge	Issue a challenge to. <i>Incumbent Democrats are being challenged in the 29th district.</i>
confute	Prove (a person or an assertion or accusation) to be wrong. <i>Restorers who sought to confute this view were accused of ignorance.</i>

<u>contradict</u>	Be in contradiction with. <i>The existing layout of the city contradicted the logic of the new centre.</i>
controvert	Be resistant to. <i>The views in the article have been controverted.</i>
deflate	Become deflated or flaccid as by losing air. Deflate a balloon.
<u>discredit</u>	Cause to be distrusted or disbelieved. <i>The paper discredited the politician with its nasty commentary.</i>
<u>disprove</u>	Prove that (something) is false. <i>The physicist disproved his colleagues theories.</i>
drive a coach and horses through	Push, propel, or press with force.
<u>explode</u>	Burst and release energy as through a violent chemical or physical reaction. <i>Lead ensures that petrol burns rather than explodes.</i>
<u>expose</u>	Expose while ridiculing especially of pretentious or false claims and ideas. Expose the blanket to sunshine.
give the lie to	Give or convey physically.
<u>invalidate</u>	Make or prove (an argument, statement, or theory) unsound or erroneous. Invalidate a contract.
knock the bottom out of	Find fault with; express criticism of; point out real or perceived flaws.
negate	Make ineffective by counterbalancing the effect of. <i>This action will negate the effect of my efforts.</i>
prove to be false	Put to the test, as for its quality, or give experimental use to.
puncture	Sustain a puncture. <i>One of the knife blows had punctured a lung.</i>
quash	Put down by force or intimidation. <i>His conviction was quashed on appeal.</i>
show in its true light	Give an exhibition of to an interested audience.

Usage Examples of "Debunk" as a verb

- *Comedy takes delight in debunking heroes.*
- *She debunks all the usual rubbish about acting.*

- *The physicist debunked the psychic's claims.*

Associations of "Debunk" (30 Words)

affirm	To declare or affirm solemnly and formally as true. <i>There are five common ways parents fail to affirm their children.</i>
announce	Make known make an announcement. <i>The President s office announced that the siege would be lifted.</i>
assert	Assert to be true. <i>He asserted his innocence.</i>
aver	Report or maintain. <i>He averred that he was innocent of the allegations.</i>
confirm	Administer the religious rite of confirmation to. <i>The Senate confirmed the President s candidate for Secretary of Defense.</i>
corroborate	Support with evidence or authority or make more certain or confirm. <i>The witness had corroborated the boy s account of the attack.</i>
declare	Declare to be. <i>I was under too much pressure he declared.</i>
denudation	The removal of covering.
disclose	Disclose to view as by removing a cover. <i>They disclosed her name to the press.</i>
disclosed	Made known (especially something secret or concealed). <i>The disclosed purpose of their wicked plan.</i>
disclosure	The speech act of making something evident. <i>A judge ordered the disclosure of the government documents.</i>
display	Attract attention by displaying some body part or posing of animals. <i>National leaders will have to display the highest skills of statesmanship.</i>
exhibit	Give an exhibition of to an interested audience. <i>The Metropolitan Museum is exhibiting Goya s works this month.</i>
expatiate	Speak or write in detail about. <i>She expatiated on working class novelists.</i>
expose	Expose or make accessible to some action or influence. <i>The situation exposed a conflict within the government.</i>
express	Serve as a means for expressing something. <i>An express train.</i>

expressionism	An art movement early in the 20th century; the artist's subjective expression of inner experiences was emphasized; an inner feeling was expressed through a distorted rendition of reality.
fallacy	A mistaken belief, especially one based on unsound arguments. <i>The notion that the camera never lies is a fallacy.</i>
indicate	Indicate a place direction person or thing either spatially or figuratively. <i>An external tube is used to indicate fluid level.</i>
invalidate	Make invalid for use. <i>Invalidate a contract.</i>
justify	Show to be right by providing justification or proof. <i>Justify the margins.</i>
publicly	By the public or the people generally. <i>Some weep publicly.</i>
reveal	Make (something) known to humans by divine or supernatural means. <i>The big reveal at the end of the movie answers all questions.</i>
shallowness	The quality of lacking physical depth. <i>The shallowness of the characters left the movie flat.</i>
substantiate	Provide evidence to support or prove the truth of. <i>The painting substantiates the feelings of the artist.</i>
theodicy	The vindication of divine providence in view of the existence of evil. <i>The question of theodicy.</i>
uncover	Discover (something) previously secret or unknown. <i>He stopped short reverentially uncovered and stood bare headed till the line of mourners had passed.</i>
unveil	Remove the cover from. <i>The Home Secretary has unveiled plans to crack down on crime.</i>
verify	Make sure or demonstrate that (something) is true, accurate, or justified. <i>Can you verify that the guns are licensed.</i>
vindicate	Show or prove to be right, reasonable, or justified. <i>More sober views were vindicated by events.</i>