

Need another word that means the same as “defendant”? Find 3 synonyms and 30 related words for “defendant” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Defendant” are: suspect, accused, prisoner at the bar**

## **Defendant as a Noun**

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

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

- *An individual, company, or institution sued or accused in a court of law.*
- *A person or institution against whom an action is brought in a court of law; the person being sued or accused.*



### Synonyms of "Defendant" as a noun (3 Words)

**accused**

A person or group of people who are charged with or on trial for a crime.

*The **accused** was ordered to stand trial on a number of charges.*

**prisoner at the bar**

A person who is confined; especially a prisoner of war.

**suspect**

Someone who is under suspicion.

*The police have arrested a **suspect**.*



## Usage Examples of "Defendant" as a noun

- *The defendant tried to claim that it was self-defence.*



## Associations of "Defendant" (30 Words)

<b>accuser</b>	Someone who imputes guilt or blame. <i>I dislike any law that puts the burden of proof on the accused rather than the <b>accuser</b>.</i>
<b>actionable</b>	Giving sufficient reason to take legal action. <i>Insightful and <b>actionable</b> information on the effect advertising is having on your brand.</i>
<b>adduce</b>	Advance evidence for. <i>A number of factors are <b>adduced</b> to explain the situation.</i>
<b>allege</b>	Report or maintain. <i>He <b>alleged</b> that he had been assaulted.</i>
<b>appellant</b>	The party who appeals a decision of a lower court.
<b>claimant</b>	A person making a claim, especially in a lawsuit or for a state benefit. <i><b>Claimants</b> of unemployment compensation.</i>
<b>court</b>	A room in which a lawcourt sits. <i>A <b>court</b> case.</i>

<b>demand</b>	The act of demanding. <i>The <b>demand</b> exceeded the supply.</i>
<b>docket</b>	Place on the docket for legal action. <i>The case may be <b>docketed</b> for the fall term.</i>
<b><u>infraction</u></b>	A crime less serious than a felony.
<b>infringement</b>	The action of limiting or undermining something. <i>This bill is an <b>infringement</b> of our civil liberties.</i>
<b>jurisdiction</b>	(law) the right and power to interpret and apply the law. <i>In some <b>jurisdictions</b> there is a mandatory death sentence for murder.</i>
<b><u>law</u></b>	Statute law and the common law. <i>Civilization presupposes respect for the <b>law</b>.</i>
<b><u>lawful</u></b>	Of a child born within a lawful marriage. <i>It is an offence to carry a weapon in public without <b>lawful</b> authority.</i>
<b>lawsuit</b>	A comprehensive term for any proceeding in a court of law whereby an individual seeks a legal remedy. <i>His lawyer filed a <b>lawsuit</b> against Los Angeles city.</i>
<b>legal</b>	Having legal efficacy or force. <i>He claimed that it had all been <b>legal</b>.</i>
<b>legitimate</b>	Make an illegitimate child legitimate declare the legitimacy of someone. <i>A <b>legitimate</b> government.</i>
<b>legitimize</b>	Make legitimate. <i>Voters <b>legitimize</b> the government through the election of public officials.</i>
<b><u>liable</u></b>	Held legally responsible. <i>Non resident trustees are <b>liable</b> to the basic rate of tax.</i>
<b>litigant</b>	A party to a lawsuit; someone involved in litigation. <i>Plaintiffs and defendants are both <b>litigants</b>.</i>
<b>litigate</b>	Take (a claim or a dispute) to a law court. <i>Even a claim which is <b>litigated</b> and defended successfully involves high legal costs.</i>
<b>misdemeanor</b>	A crime less serious than a felony.
<b>plaintiff</b>	A person who brings a case against another in a court of law. <i>The <b>plaintiff</b> commenced an action for damages.</i>
<b>prosecution</b>	The continuance of something begun with a view to its completion. <i>The organizers are facing <b>prosecution</b> for noise nuisance.</i>
<b>respondent</b>	The codefendant especially in a divorce proceeding who is accused of adultery with the corespondent. <i>The <b>respondent</b> firms in the survey.</i>

<b>rightful</b>	Having a legally established claim. <i>A <b>rightful</b> inheritance.</i>
<b>sue</b>	Institute legal proceedings against (a person or institution), typically for redress. <i>She is to <b>sue</b> the baby's father.</i>
<u><b>suspect</b></u>	Imagine to be the case or true or probable. <i>The U S <b>suspected</b> Bin Laden as the mastermind behind the terrorist attacks.</i>
<b>tribunal</b>	A court of justice. <i>An international war crimes <b>tribunal</b>.</i>
<b>wanted</b>	Desired or wished for or sought. <i>A <b>wanted</b> criminal.</i>

