

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

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**The synonyms of “Denial” are: abnegation, self-abnegation, self-denial, self-renunciation, disaffirmation, defence, defense, demurrer, contradiction, counterstatement, refutation, rebuttal, repudiation, disclaimer, retraction, abjuration, refusal, withholding, withdrawal**

## Denial as a Noun

### Definitions of "Denial" as a noun

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

- *Refusal to acknowledge an unacceptable truth or emotion or to admit it into consciousness, used as a defence mechanism.*
- *The action of denying something.*
- *A defendant's answer or plea denying the truth of the charges against him.*
- *(psychiatry) a defense mechanism that denies painful thoughts.*
- *The refusal of something requested or desired.*
- *A statement that something is not true.*
- *A defense mechanism that denies painful thoughts.*
- *Renunciation of your own interests in favor of the interests of others.*
- *Refusal to acknowledge someone as one's leader.*
- *The act of refusing to comply (as with a request.*
- *The act of asserting that something alleged is not true.*



## Synonyms of "Denial" as a noun (19 Words)

<b>abjuration</b>	A disavowal or taking back of a previous assertion.
<b>abnegation</b>	Renunciation of your own interests in favor of the interests of others. <i>Abnegation of the Holy Trinity.</i>
<b><u>contradiction</u></b>	A statement that is necessarily false. <i>The second sentence appears to be in flat <b>contradiction</b> of the first.</i>
<b>counterstatement</b>	A statement asserting that evidence or an accusation is false. <i>This proposal prompted a strong <b>counterstatement</b>.</i>
<b>defence</b>	(military) military action or resources protecting a country against potential enemies. <i>Wire netting is the best <b>defence</b> against rabbits.</i>
<b>defense</b>	An organization of defenders that provides resistance against attack. <i>A good boxer needs a good <b>defense</b>.</i>

<b>demurrer</b>	A formal objection to an opponent's pleadings. <i>The headmaster was about to enter a stinging <b>demurrer</b> when the phone rang.</i>
<b>disaffirmation</b>	The act of asserting that something alleged is not true.
<b>disclaimer</b>	A voluntary repudiation of a person's legal claim to something. <i>The novel carries a <b>disclaimer</b> about the characters bearing no relation to living persons.</i>
<a href="#"><u>rebuttal</u></a>	The speech act of refuting by offering a contrary contention or argument.
<a href="#"><u>refusal</u></a>	An expression of unwillingness to accept or grant an offer or request. <i>Dollar Girl hit several fences and had a <b>refusal</b>.</i>
<b>refutation</b>	The act of determining that something is false. <i>Scientific theory is always tentative open to <b>refutation</b>.</i>
<b>repudiation</b>	Refusal to fulfil or discharge an agreement, obligation, or debt. <i>Congressional <b>repudiation</b> of the treaty that the President had negotiated.</i>
<b>retraction</b>	The act of pulling or holding or drawing a part back. <i>The <b>retraction</b> of the landing gear.</i>
<b>self-abnegation</b>	Renunciation of your own interests in favor of the interests of others.
<b>self-denial</b>	The act of denying yourself; controlling your impulses.
<b>self-renunciation</b>	Renunciation of your own interests in favor of the interests of others.
<b>withdrawal</b>	The act of taking out money or other capital. <i>The <b>withdrawal</b> of French troops from Vietnam.</i>
<b>withholding</b>	Income tax withheld from employees' wages and paid directly to the government by the employer. <i>The <b>withholding</b> of consent to treatment.</i>



## Usage Examples of "Denial" as a noun

- *I was an addict in denial.*
- *It resulted in a complete denial of his privileges.*
- *She shook her head in denial.*

- *The denial of insurance to people with certain medical conditions.*
- *His pious denials of responsibility.*



## Associations of "Denial" (30 Words)

<b>abnegation</b>	Self-denial. <i>Abnegation of the Holy Trinity.</i>
<b>apophasis</b>	Mentioning something by saying it will not be mentioned.
<b><u>contradict</u></b>	Be in contradiction with. <i>The existing layout of the city <b>contradicted</b> the logic of the new centre.</i>
<b>controvert</b>	Be resistant to. <i>Subsequent work from the same laboratory <b>controverted</b> these results.</i>

<b>defense</b>	A structure used to defend against attack. <i><b>Defense</b> against hurricanes is an urgent problem.</i>
<b>deniable</b>	Capable of being denied or contradicted. <i>The government did agree to play a limited and <b>deniable</b> role in the rebellion.</i>
<b>deny</b>	Deny formally an allegation of fact by the opposing party in a legal suit. <i>There was no way that I was going to <b>deny</b> myself ice cream.</i>
<b>disallow</b>	Refuse to declare valid. <i>He was offside and the goal was <b>disallowed</b>.</i>
<b>disavow</b>	Refuse to acknowledge; disclaim knowledge of; responsibility for, or association with. <i>The union leaders resisted pressure to <b>disavow</b> picket line violence.</i>
<b>disavowal</b>	Denial of any connection with or knowledge of. <i>His <b>disavowal</b> of his previous writings.</i>
<b>gainsay</b>	Take exception to. <i>None could <b>gainsay</b> her.</i>
<b>impugn</b>	Attack as false or wrong. <i>The father does not <b>impugn</b> her capacity as a good mother.</i>
<b>imputation</b>	The assignment of a value to something by inference from the value of the products or processes to which it contributes. <i>The <b>imputation</b> that my success was due to nepotism meant that I was not taken seriously.</i>
<b>inadmissible</b>	Not deserving to be admitted. <i>An <b>inadmissible</b> interference in the affairs of the Church.</i>
<b>interdict</b>	Destroy by firepower, such as an enemy's line of communication. <i>Army efforts to <b>interdict</b> enemy supply shipments.</i>
<b>no</b>	Not at all to no extent. <i>Have you <b>no</b> decency.</i>
<b>nullify</b>	Make legally null and void; invalidate. <i>Insulin can block the release of the hormone and thereby <b>nullify</b> the effects of training.</i>
<b>objection</b>	(law) a procedure whereby a party to a suit says that a particular line of questioning or a particular witness or a piece of evidence or other matter is improper and should not be continued and asks the court to rule on its impropriety or illegality. <i>His view is open to <b>objection</b>.</i>

<b>perjure</b>	Wilfully tell an untruth or make a misrepresentation under oath; commit perjury. <i>She admitted that she had <b>perjured</b> herself.</i>
<b>rebut</b>	Prove to be false or incorrect. <i>But he their sharp assault right boldly did <b>rebut</b>.</i>
<b>rebuttal</b>	(law) a pleading by the defendant in reply to a plaintiff's surrejoinder.
<b>refusal</b>	The act of refusing. <i>An appeal against the <b>refusal</b> of a licence.</i>
<b>refuse</b>	Refuse to accept. <i>He was severely beaten when he <b>refused</b>.</i>
<b>refutable</b>	Able to be refuted.
<b>refutation</b>	The action of proving a statement or theory to be wrong or false. <i>His <b>refutation</b> of the charges was short and persuasive.</i>
<b>refute</b>	Prove that (someone) is wrong. <i>These claims have not been convincingly <b>refuted</b>.</i>
<b>reject</b>	Reject with contempt. <i>Union negotiators <b>rejected</b> a 1 5 per cent pay award.</i>
<b>rejection</b>	The state of being rejected. <i><b>Rejection</b> of the transplanted liver.</i>
<b>repudiate</b>	Refuse to fulfil or discharge (an agreement, obligation, or debt). <i>The parents <b>repudiated</b> their son.</i>
<b>repudiation</b>	The exposure of falseness or pretensions. <i>The <b>repudiation</b> of reformist policies.</i>

