

Need another word that means the same as “deserving”? Find 14 synonyms and 30 related words for “deserving” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Deserving” are: worth, worthy, meritorious, commendable, praiseworthy, laudable, excellent, fine, admirable, estimable, exemplary, creditable, qualified for, suitable for**

## **Deserving as an Adjective**

### **Definitions of "Deserving" as an adjective**

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

- *Worthy of being treated in a particular way (often used ironically).*
- *(often used ironically) worthy of being treated in a particular way.*
- *Worthy of being treated in a particular way, typically of being given assistance.*



## Synonyms of "Deserving" as an adjective (14 Words)

- admirable** Inspiring admiration or approval.  
*Trains ran with **admirable** precision.*
- commendable** Deserving praise.  
*He showed **commendable** restraint.*
- creditable** (of a performance, effort, or action) deserving public acknowledgement and praise but not necessarily outstanding or successful.  
*The student's effort on the essay though not outstanding was **creditable**.*
- estimable** Deserving of respect or high regard.  
*She was shown into that **estimable** woman's presence.*
- excellent** Very good; of the highest quality.  
*Made an **excellent** speech.*
- exemplary** Characteristic of its kind or illustrating a general rule.  
*An **exemplary** jail sentence.*
- fine** Characterized by elegance or refinement or accomplishment.  
*Donleavy was a **fine** figure of a man.*
- laudable** (of an action, idea, or aim) deserving praise and commendation.  
***Laudable** efforts to save the environment.*
- meritorious** Deserving reward or praise.  
*A medal for **meritorious** conduct.*
- praiseworthy** Deserving approval and admiration.  
*A significant and **praiseworthy** increase in computer intelligence.*

<b>qualified for</b>	Meeting the proper standards and requirements and training for an office or position or task.
<b>suitable for</b>	Meant or adapted for an occasion or use.
<b>worth</b>	Worthy of being treated in a particular way often used ironically. <b>Worth</b> her weight in gold.
<b>worthy</b>	Worthy of being chosen especially as a spouse. A <b>worthy</b> fellow.

## Usage Examples of "Deserving" as an adjective

- A *deserving* cause.
- The *deserving* poor.

## Associations of "Deserving" (30 Words)

<b>aptitude</b>	Suitability or fitness. <i>Children with an <b>aptitude</b> for painting and drawing.</i>
<b>aptness</b>	The quality of being appropriate or suitable. <i>The <b>aptness</b> of the punishment.</i>
<b>blame</b>	Put or pin the blame on. <i>His players had to take the <b>blame</b> for the defeat.</i>
<b>capability</b>	The susceptibility of something to a particular treatment. <i>He worked to the limits of his <b>capability</b>.</i>
<b>commendable</b>	Worthy of high praise. <i>A <b>commendable</b> sense of purpose.</i>
<b>contribution</b>	A piece of writing submitted for publication in a journal, book, etc. <i>The agency is mainly financed from voluntary <b>contributions</b>.</i>
<b>deserve</b>	Be worthy or deserving. <i>We didn't <b>deserve</b> to win.</i>
<b>deservedly</b>	In the way that is deserved; rightfully. <i>They are top of the league and <b>deservedly</b> so.</i>
<b>desirable</b>	A desirable person or thing. <i>Computer with many <b>desirable</b> features.</i>
<b>enough</b>	An adequate quantity a quantity that is large enough to achieve a purpose. <i>He seems nice <b>enough</b>.</i>
<b>exemplary</b>	Being or serving as an illustration of a type. <i><b>Exemplary</b> behaviour.</i>

<b>flair</b>	Distinctive and stylish elegance. <i>He has a <b>flair</b> for mathematics.</i>
<b>invaluable</b>	Having incalculable monetary, intellectual, or spiritual worth. <i>An <b>invaluable</b> source of information.</i>
<b>laudable</b>	Worthy of high praise. <i><b>Laudable</b> though the aim might be the results have been criticized.</i>
<b>merit</b>	Good deeds entitling someone to a future reward from God. <i>Work of great <b>merit</b>.</i>
<b>merited</b>	Properly deserved. <i>A <b>merited</b> success.</i>
<b>meritorious</b>	(of an action or claim) likely to succeed on the merits of the case. <i><b>Meritorious</b> conduct.</i>
<b>praiseworthy</b>	Worthy of high praise. <i>The government's <b>praiseworthy</b> efforts.</i>
<b>precious</b>	Obviously contrived to charm. <i>Children are <b>precious</b>.</i>
<b>priceless</b>	Having incalculable monetary, intellectual, or spiritual worth. <i>Darling you're <b>priceless</b>.</i>
<b>respectable</b>	Large in amount or extent or degree. <i>All <b>respectable</b> companies give guarantees.</i>
<b>reward</b>	Strengthen and support with rewards. <i>The holiday was a <b>reward</b> for 40 years service with the company.</i>
<b>suitability</b>	The quality of being right or appropriate for a particular person, purpose, or situation. <i>An important requirement is <b>suitability</b> for long trips.</i>
<b>talent</b>	A former weight and unit of currency, used especially by the ancient Romans and Greeks. <i>Simon is a <b>talent</b> to watch.</i>
<b>valuable</b>	Having great material or monetary value especially for use or exchange. <i>A <b>valuable</b> diamond.</i>
<b>value</b>	Estimate the value of. <i>The mean <b>value</b> of x.</i>
<b>valued</b>	Considered to be important or beneficial; cherished. <i>Triple <b>valued</b>.</i>
<b>worthiness</b>	The quality of being good enough; suitability. <i>Doubts about the <b>worthiness</b> of writing novels.</i>

**worthwhile**

Sufficiently valuable to justify the investment of time or interest.  
*This attitude could doom a very **worthwhile** project to extinction.*

**worthy**

Worthy of being chosen especially as a spouse.  
*A **worthy** fellow.*