

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

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The synonyms of “Disavow” are: **deny, disclaim, disown, wash one's hands of**

## Disavow as a Verb

### Definitions of "Disavow" as a verb

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

- *Refuse to acknowledge; disclaim knowledge of; responsibility for, or association with.*
- *Deny any responsibility or support for.*

### Synonyms of "Disavow" as a verb (4 Words)

<b><a href="#">deny</a></b>	Deny formally an allegation of fact by the opposing party in a legal suit. <i>The servants are ordered to <b>deny</b> him.</i>
<b>disclaim</b>	Make a disclaimer about. <i>He <b>disclaimed</b> any responsibility.</i>
<b>disown</b>	Refuse to acknowledge or maintain any connection with. <i>Lovell s rich family had <b>disowned</b> him because of his marriage.</i>
<b>wash one's hands of</b>	Be capable of being washed.

### Usage Examples of "Disavow" as a verb

- *Her husband disavowed her after 30 years of marriage and six children.*
- *The union leaders resisted pressure to disavow picket-line violence.*

## Associations of "Disavow" (30 Words)

<b>abjure</b>	Formally reject or disavow a formerly held belief, usually under pressure. <i>MPs were urged to <b>abjure</b> their Jacobite allegiance.</i>
<b>abnegation</b>	Self-denial. <i>People are capable of <b>abnegation</b> and unselfishness.</i>
<b>belie</b>	Be in contradiction with. <i>His lively alert manner <b>belied</b> his years.</i>
<b>contradict</b>	Be in contradiction with. <i>He did not <b>contradict</b> what he said last week.</i>
<b>controvert</b>	Prove to be false or incorrect. <i>The views in the article have been <b>controverted</b>.</i>
<b>deny</b>	Deny formally an allegation of fact by the opposing party in a legal suit. <i>Both firms <b>deny</b> any responsibility for the tragedy.</i>
<b>disavowal</b>	Denial of any connection with or knowledge of. <i>They know this despite their <b>disavowals</b>.</i>
<b>disclaim</b>	Make a disclaimer about. <i>The school <b>disclaimed</b> any responsibility for his death.</i>
<b>disinherit</b>	Prevent deliberately (as by making a will) from inheriting. <i>The Duke is seeking to <b>disinherit</b> his eldest son.</i>
<b>disown</b>	Prevent deliberately (as by making a will) from inheriting. <i>Lovell's rich family had <b>disowned</b> him because of his marriage.</i>
<b>forswear</b>	Agree to give up or do without. <i>I swore that I would lead us safely home and I do not mean to be forsworn.</i>
<b>heresy</b>	A belief that rejects the orthodox tenets of a religion. <i>Huss was burned for <b>heresy</b>.</i>
<b>modestly</b>	To a relatively moderate or small degree. <i>He <b>modestly</b> shrugged off the tributes from his manager.</i>
<b>negate</b>	Be in contradiction with. <i>Alcohol <b>negates</b> the effects of the drug.</i>
<b>neutralize</b>	Make chemically neutral. <i>The treaty <b>neutralized</b> the small republic.</i>
<b>no</b>	Not in any degree or manner not at all. <i>They were <b>no</b> more able to perform the task than I was.</i>
<b>nullify</b>	Make of no use or value; cancel out. <i>Judges were unwilling to <b>nullify</b> government decisions.</i>

<b><u>objection</u></b>	The act of expressing earnest opposition or protest. <i>His view is open to <b>objection</b>.</i>
<b><u>rebuttal</u></b>	(law) a pleading by the defendant in reply to a plaintiff's surrejoinder. Say that one no longer holds an opinion or belief, especially one considered heretical.
<b>recant</b>	<i>Heretics were burned if they would not <b>recant</b>.</i>
<b><u>refusal</u></b>	A message refusing to accept something that is offered. <i>An appeal against the <b>refusal</b> of a licence.</i>
<b><u>refute</u></b>	Prove that (someone) is wrong. <i>The speaker <b>refuted</b> his opponent's arguments.</i>
<b>reject</b>	Reject with contempt. <i>An application to hold a pop concert at the club was <b>rejected</b>.</i>
<b>rejection</b>	The act of rejecting something. <i>The Union decided last night to recommend <b>rejection</b> of the offer.</i>
<b><u>renounce</u></b>	Formally declare one's abandonment of (a claim, right, or possession). <i>They <b>renounced</b> the armed struggle.</i>
<b>repudiate</b>	Refuse to acknowledge, ratify, or recognize as valid. <i>Philip was excommunicated in 1095 because he had <b>repudiated</b> his wife.</i>
<b>repudiation</b>	Rejecting or disowning or disclaiming as invalid. <i>The <b>repudiation</b> of the debt by the city.</i>
<b>rescind</b>	Revoke, cancel, or repeal (a law, order, or agreement). <i>The government eventually <b>rescinded</b> the directive.</i>
<b>retract</b>	Draw back. <i>She <b>retracted</b> her hand as if she'd been burnt.</i>
<b><u>veto</u></b>	Exercise a veto against a decision or proposal. <i>Neither state was given a <b>veto</b> over amendments to the Act.</i>