

Need another word that means the same as “discredit”? Find 39 synonyms and 30 related words for “discredit” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Discredit” are: disbelieve, disgrace, dishonour, bring into disrepute, damage someone's reputation, blacken someone's name, destroy someone's credibility, drag through the mire, drag through the mud, put in a bad light, show in a bad light, reflect badly on, compromise, give someone a bad name, bring into disfavour, disprove, prove false, prove wrong, invalidate, explode, drive a coach and horses through, give the lie to, refute, reject, deny, disrepute, ill repute, loss of reputation, loss of respect, shame, humiliation, ignominy, infamy, notoriety, source of disgrace, source of shame, reproach

Discredit as a Noun

Definitions of "Discredit" as a noun

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

- *The state of being held in low esteem.*
- *A person or thing that is a source of disgrace.*
- *Loss or lack of reputation or respect.*

Synonyms of "Discredit" as a noun (14 Words)

disgrace	Loss of reputation or respect as the result of a dishonourable action. <i>If he'd gone back it would have brought disgrace on the family.</i>
dishonour	Lacking honor or integrity. <i>They have brought dishonour upon our family.</i>
<u>disrepute</u>	The state of being held in low esteem by the public. <i>Because of the scandal the school has fallen into disrepute.</i>
<u>humiliation</u>	An instance in which you are caused to lose your prestige or self-respect. <i>He had to undergo one humiliation after another.</i>
ignominy	Public shame or disgrace. <i>Suffered the ignominy of being sent to prison.</i>
ill repute	An often persistent bodily disorder or disease; a cause for complaining.
infamy	A state of extreme dishonor- F.D.Roosevelt. <i>He thrived on the infamy and vilification.</i>
loss of reputation	Something that is lost.
loss of respect	Military personnel lost by death or capture.
<u>notoriety</u>	The state of being famous or well known for some bad quality or deed. <i>She has a certain notoriety.</i>
reproach	In the Roman Catholic Church a set of antiphons and responses for Good Friday representing the reproaches of Christ to his people. <i>He gave her a look of reproach.</i>
<u>shame</u>	A person, action, or situation that brings a loss of respect or honour. <i>It is a shame that they are not better known.</i>
source of disgrace	Someone who originates or causes or initiates something.
source of shame	A process by which energy or a substance enters a system.

Usage Examples of "Discredit" as a noun

- *The ships were a discredit to the country.*
- *They committed crimes which brought discredit upon the administration.*
- *Your actions will bring discredit to your name.*

Discredit as a Verb

Definitions of "Discredit" as a verb

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

- *Harm the good reputation of.*
- *Cause (an idea or account) to seem false or unreliable.*
- *Reject as false; refuse to accept.*
- *Cause to be distrusted or disbelieved.*
- *Damage the reputation of.*

Synonyms of "Discredit" as a verb (25 Words)

blacken someone's name	Burn slightly and superficially so as to affect color.
bring into disfavour	Bring into a different state.
bring into disrepute	Bring into a different state.
compromise	Make a compromise arrive at a compromise. <i>In the end we compromised and deferred the issue.</i>
damage someone's reputation	Suffer or be susceptible to damage.
deny	Deny oneself something restrain especially from indulging in some pleasure. <i>Both firms deny any responsibility for the tragedy.</i>
destroy someone's credibility	Destroy completely; damage irreparably.
disbelieve	Be unable to believe. <i>He seemed to disbelieve her.</i>
disgrace	Cause (someone) to fall from favour or a position of power or honour. <i>John stiffened his jaw so he wouldn't disgrace himself by crying.</i>
dishonour	Refuse to accept. <i>She was now unworthy of his notice having been dishonoured by Casim.</i>

disprove

Prove that (something) is false.

*He has given the Department of Transport two months to **disprove** the allegation.*

drag through the mire

Draw slowly or heavily.

drag through the mud

Proceed for an extended period of time.

drive a coach and horses through

Operate or control a vehicle.

explode

Burst outward, usually with noise.

*His anger **exploded**.*

give someone a bad name

Move in order to make room for someone for something.

give the lie to

Manifest or show.

invalidate

Show to be invalid.

*A technical flaw in her papers **invalidated** her nomination.*

prove false

Provide evidence for.

prove wrong

Cause to puff up with a leaven.

put in a bad light

Formulate in a particular style or language.

reflect badly on

To throw or bend back (from a surface).

refute

Overthrow by argument, evidence, or proof.

*A spokesman totally **refuted** the allegation of bias.*

reject

Reject with contempt.

*Union negotiators **rejected** a 1 5 per cent pay award.*

show in a bad light

Give evidence of, as of records.

Usage Examples of "Discredit" as a verb

- *This newspaper story discredits the politicians.*
- *His explanation for the phenomenon was soon discredited.*
- *His remarks were taken out of context in an effort to discredit him.*
- *The paper discredited the politician with its nasty commentary.*

Associations of "Discredit" (30 Words)

barrack Lodge in barracks.
*The granary in which the platoons were **barracked**.*

boo Say boo to show disapproval of a speaker or performer.
*They **booed** and hissed when he stepped on stage.*

contemn	Treat or regard with contempt. <i>It lay in Deronda's nature usually to contemn the feeble.</i>
contempt	A manner that is generally disrespectful and contemptuous. <i>He was held in contempt.</i>
deride	Treat or speak of with contempt. <i>The decision was derided by environmentalists.</i>
derision	Contemptuous laughter. <i>My stories were greeted with derision and disbelief.</i>
despise	Feel contempt or a deep repugnance for. <i>He despised himself for being selfish.</i>
despite	Contemptuous treatment or behaviour; outrage. <i>The theatre only earns my despite.</i>
discourtesy	An impolite act or remark. <i>He was able to discourage visitors without obvious discourtesy.</i>
disdain	Look down on with disdain. <i>Her upper lip curled in disdain.</i>
disgrace	Damage the reputation of. <i>You have disgraced the family name.</i>
disprove	Prove that (something) is false. <i>He has given the Department of Transport two months to disprove the allegation.</i>
disrepute	The state of being held in low esteem. <i>One of the top clubs in the country is bringing the game into disrepute.</i>
disrespect	A disrespectful mental attitude. <i>Growing disrespect for the rule of law.</i>
flout	Treat with contemptuous disregard. <i>Flout the rules.</i>
gibe	Be compatible, similar or consistent; coincide in their characteristics. <i>She proved impervious to his sarcastic gibes.</i>
hoot	Of an owl utter a hoot. <i>A car horn hooted frightening her.</i>
humiliation	State of disgrace or loss of self-respect. <i>They suffered the humiliation of losing in the opening round.</i>
indignity	Treatment or circumstances that cause one to feel shame or to lose one's dignity. <i>The indignity of needing financial help.</i>

<u>insult</u>	An event which causes damage to a tissue or organ. <i>The movement of the bone causes a severe tissue insult.</i>
<u>jeer</u>	Laugh at with contempt and derision. <i>Some of the younger men jeered at him.</i>
<u>jibe</u>	Be compatible, similar or consistent; coincide in their characteristics. <i>Some cynics in the media might jibe.</i>
<u>mock</u>	Mock examinations. <i>The new constitution mocks all democratic principles.</i>
<u>mockery</u>	Teasing and contemptuous language or behaviour directed at a particular person or thing. <i>In her bitterness she felt that all rejoicing was mockery.</i>
<u>ridicule</u>	Subject to laughter or ridicule. <i>His theory was ridiculed and dismissed.</i>
<u>rudeness</u>	A wild or unrefined state. <i>Alice becomes disgusted by the rudeness of her three companions.</i>
<u>sarcasm</u>	The use of irony to mock or convey contempt. <i>She didn't like the note of sarcasm in his voice.</i>
<u>scoff</u>	Laugh at with contempt and derision. <i>His army was the scoff of all Europe.</i>
<u>scorn</u>	Look down on with disdain. <i>I do not wish to become the object of scorn.</i>
<u>sneer</u>	A contemptuous or mocking smile, remark, or tone. <i>She sneered at her little sister's efforts to play the song on the piano.</i>