

Need another word that means the same as “disobey”? Find 13 synonyms and 30 related words for “disobey” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Disobey” are: defy, go against, flout, contravene, infringe, overstep, transgress, violate, fail to comply with, resist, oppose, rebel against, fly in the face of

Disobey as a Verb

Definitions of "Disobey" as a verb

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

- *Refuse to go along with; refuse to follow; be disobedient.*
- *Fail to obey (rules, a command, or someone in authority).*

Synonyms of "Disobey" as a verb (13 Words)

contravene	Offend against the prohibition or order of (a law, treaty, or code of conduct. <i>The Privy Council held that the prosecution contravened the rights of the individual.</i>
defy	Elude, especially in a baffling way. <i>His actions defy belief.</i>
fail to comply with	Disappoint, prove undependable to; abandon, forsake.
flout	Treat with contemptuous disregard. <i>The advertising code is being flouted.</i>
fly in the face of	Be dispersed or disseminated.

go against	Stretch out over a distance, space, time, or scope; run or extend between two points or beyond a certain point.
<u>infringe</u>	Go against, as of rules and laws. <i>Such widespread surveillance could infringe personal liberties.</i>
oppose	Disagree with and attempt to prevent, especially by argument. <i>The board opposed his motion.</i>
overstep	Be superior or better than some standard. <i>You must not overstep your borrowing limit.</i>
rebel against	Take part in a rebellion; renounce a former allegiance.
<u>resist</u>	Resist immunologically the introduction of some foreign tissue or organ. <i>He didn't resist despite the weapons he had.</i>
<u>transgress</u>	(of the sea) spread over (an area of land). <i>The sea transgresses along the West coast of the island.</i>
violate	Violate the sacred character of a place or language. <i>This sentence violates the rules of syntax.</i>

Usage Examples of "Disobey" as a verb

- *Around 1,000 soldiers had disobeyed orders and surrendered.*
- *He disobeyed his supervisor and was fired.*

Associations of "Disobey" (30 Words)

brash	Having an ostentatious or tasteless appearance. <i>He was brash cocky and arrogant.</i>
<u>contrary</u>	A contrary proposition. <i>Public opinion to the contrary he is not guilty.</i>
contumacious	Wilfully obstinate; stubbornly disobedient. <i>His refusal to make child support payments was contumacious.</i>
contumacy	Stubborn refusal to obey or comply with authority, especially disobedience to a court order or summons.
defiant	Showing defiance. <i>Brought up to be aggressive and defiant.</i>
dissenter	A person who dissents.
dissentient	Refusing to attend services of the Church of England. <i>Dissentient voices were castigated as hopeless bureaucrats.</i>

dissident	In opposition to official policy. <i>A dissident who had been jailed by a military regime.</i>
froward	Habitually disposed to disobedience and opposition.
headstrong	Energetically wilful and determined. <i>The headstrong impulsiveness of youth.</i>
ingratitude	A discreditable lack of gratitude. <i>He returned his daughter s care with ingratitude and unkindness.</i>
insubordinate	Disposed to or engaged in defiance of established authority. <i>Insubordinate boys.</i>
maverick	Unorthodox. <i>He s the maverick of the senate.</i>
mutinous	Consisting of or characterized by or inciting to mutiny. <i>Mutinous acts.</i>
nonconformist	A member of a Protestant Church which dissents from the established Church of England. <i>Jenkins was a nonconformist who disdained the rugby union coaching certificate.</i>
nonconformity	Lack of harmony or correspondence. <i>Youngsters are rejecting rebellion and nonconformity in favour of becoming model citizens.</i>
objection	The speech act of objecting. <i>His view is open to objection.</i>
obstinate	(of an unwelcome situation) very difficult to change or overcome. <i>An obstinate child with a violent temper.</i>
rebellious	Discontented as toward authority. <i>Temperamentally rebellious.</i>
recalcitrance	The trait of being unmanageable.
recalcitrant	Marked by stubborn resistance to authority. <i>The University suspended the most recalcitrant demonstrators.</i>
recusant	Of or denoting a recusant. <i>Support for the exiled King was greatest among Catholic recusants.</i>
refractory	(of a person, illness, or diseased tissue) not yielding to treatment. <i>It will treat ores considered refractory to normal flotation methods.</i>
resist	Resist immunologically the introduction of some foreign tissue or organ. <i>He didn t resist despite the weapons he had.</i>

resistance	The degree to which a substance or device opposes the passage of an electric current causing energy dissipation By Ohm s law resistance measured in ohms is equal to the voltage divided by the current. <i>He encountered a general feeling of resistance from many citizens.</i>
resistive	Able to withstand the action or effect of something.
restive	(of a person) unable to remain still, silent, or submissive, especially because of boredom or dissatisfaction. <i>Both their horses became restive at once.</i>
stubborn	Not responding to treatment. <i>A stubborn refusal to learn from experience.</i>
unruly	Disorderly and disruptive and not amenable to discipline or control. <i>Kate tried to control her unruly emotions.</i>
wayward	Difficult to control or predict because of wilful or perverse behaviour. <i>A wayward adolescent.</i>