

Need another word that means the same as “dissident”? Find 9 synonyms and 30 related words for “dissident” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Dissident” are: contestant, dissenter, objector, protester, disputant, dissentient, dissenting, heretical, heterodox**

## Dissident as a Noun

### Definitions of "Dissident" as a noun

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

- *A person who opposes official policy, especially that of an authoritarian state.*
- *A person who dissents from some established policy.*

### Synonyms of "Dissident" as a noun (5 Words)

<b>contestant</b>	A person who dissents from some established policy. <i>An anxious <b>contestant</b> on a television quiz show.</i>
<b>disputant</b>	A person engaged in a dispute or disagreement. <i>His reputation as both a <b>disputant</b> and a negotiator was well established.</i>
<b>dissenter</b>	A person who dissents.
<b>objector</b>	A person who dissents from some established policy. <i><b>Objectors</b> to the housing plans.</i>

**protester** Someone who participates in a public display of group feeling.  
*The decision was hailed by **protesters** against the closure as a triumph.*

## Usage Examples of "Dissident" as a noun

- *A dissident who had been jailed by a military regime.*

## Dissident as an Adjective

### Definitions of "Dissident" as an adjective

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

- *Characterized by departure from accepted beliefs or standards.*
- *In opposition to official policy.*
- *Disagreeing, especially with a majority.*

### Synonyms of "Dissident" as an adjective (4 Words)

**dissentient** Refusing to attend services of the Church of England.  
***Dissentient** voices were castigated as hopeless bureaucrats.*

**dissenting** Holding or expressing opinions that are at variance with those commonly or officially held.  
*The minister of a **dissenting** congregation in Devon.*

**heretical** Holding an opinion at odds with what is generally accepted.  
*A **heretical** theologian.*

**heterodox** Characterized by departure from accepted beliefs or standards.  
***Heterodox** views.*

### Usage Examples of "Dissident" as an adjective

- *The measure was supported by dissident Tories.*

### Associations of "Dissident" (30 Words)

**adversary** Someone who offers opposition.  
*Davis beat his old **adversary** in the quarter finals.*

<b>challenger</b>	A person who engages in a contest. <i>A potential <b>challenger</b> for the party leadership.</i>
<b><u>chant</u></b>	Recite with musical intonation recite as a chant or a psalm. <i>Everyone was singing and <b>chanting</b>.</i>
<b>competitor</b>	The contestant you hope to defeat. <i>Two <b>competitors</b> were banned for taking drugs.</i>
<b>conflicting</b>	In disagreement- John Morley. <i>There are <b>conflicting</b> accounts of what occurred.</i>
<b><u>contender</u></b>	The contestant you hope to defeat. <i>The major <b>contenders</b> in the football championship.</i>
<b>contestant</b>	A person who dissents from some established policy. <i>An anxious <b>contestant</b> on a television quiz show.</i>
<b>controvert</b>	Deny the truth of (something). <i>Subsequent work from the same laboratory <b>controverted</b> these results.</i>
<b><u>counterpart</u></b>	A person or thing that corresponds to or has the same function as another person or thing in a different place or situation. <i>The minister held talks with his French <b>counterpart</b>.</i>
<b>demonstrator</b>	A person who shows how a piece of equipment works or how a skill or craft is performed. <i>She was appointed <b>demonstrator</b> in botany at Newnham College.</i>
<b><u>disagree</u></b>	Disapprove of. <i>No one was willing to <b>disagree</b> with him.</i>
<b><u>disobedient</u></b>	Unwilling to submit to authority. <i><b>Disobedient</b> children.</i>
<b><u>dissent</u></b>	The act of protesting a public often organized manifestation of dissent. <i>He expressed his <b>dissent</b> in a contrary opinion.</i>
<b>dissenter</b>	A person who dissents.
<b>dissentient</b>	Refusing to attend services of the Church of England. <i><b>Dissentient</b> voices were castigated as hopeless bureaucrats.</i>
<b><u>enemy</u></b>	A personal enemy. <i><b>Enemy</b> aircraft.</i>
<b>foe</b>	An enemy or opponent. <i>His work was praised by friends and <b>foes</b> alike.</i>
<b>negation</b>	(logic) a proposition that is true if and only if another proposition is false. <i>There should be confirmation or <b>negation</b> of the findings.</i>

<b>negative</b>	Having a negative charge. <i>Should criminal law allow consent to <b>negative</b> what would otherwise be a crime.</i>
<b>nonconformist</b>	A member of a Protestant Church which dissents from the established Church of England. <i>She was a <b>nonconformist</b> an individualist.</i>
<b><u>objection</u></b>	The action of challenging or disagreeing with something. <i>They have raised no <b>objections</b> to the latest plans.</i>
<b>objector</b>	A person who dissents from some established policy. <i><b>Objectors</b> to the housing plans.</i>
<b>opponent</b>	Someone who offers opposition. <i>An <b>opponent</b> of the economic reforms.</i>
<b>oppose</b>	Be resistant to. <i>The board <b>opposed</b> his motion.</i>
<b>opposed</b>	In conflict with or hostile to. <i>The agency is being asked to do two diametrically <b>opposed</b> things.</i>
<b>protester</b>	Someone who participates in a public display of group feeling. <i>The decision was hailed by <b>protesters</b> against the closure as a triumph.</i>
<b>recusant</b>	Of or denoting a recusant. <i>Support for the exiled King was greatest among Catholic <b>recusants</b>.</i>
<b>remonstrance</b>	A forcefully reproachful protest. <i>He shut his ears to any <b>remonstrance</b>.</i>
<b>rival</b>	Be the rival of be in competition with. <i>Nothing can <b>rival</b> cotton for durability.</i>
<b>vie</b>	Compete eagerly with someone in order to do or achieve something. <i>The athletes were vying for a place in the British team.</i>