

Need another word that means the same as “doubt”? Find 78 synonyms and 30 related words for “doubt” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Doubt” are: doubtfulness, dubiousness, question, dubiety, incertitude, uncertainty, lack of certainty, indecision, hesitation, hesitancy, suspicion, confusion, diffidence, insecurity, inhibition, unease, uneasiness, apprehension, scepticism, distrust, mistrust, lack of trust, cynicism, disbelief, incredulity, unbelief, misbelief, lack of confidence, lack of conviction, wariness, chariness, questioning, have doubts about, harbour suspicions about, have misgivings about, be sceptical about, have qualms about, be suspicious of, be wary of, feel chary about, feel uneasy about, harbour reservations about, have reservations about, have a funny feeling about, think something unlikely, have one's doubts about, query, be dubious, lack conviction, disbelieve, suspect, lack confidence in, have suspicions about, feel apprehensive about, call into question, cast doubt on, challenge, dispute, be undecided, have doubts, be irresolute, be hesitant, be tentative, be ambivalent, be divided, be doubtful, be unsure, be uncertain, be in two minds, hesitate, waver, falter, vacillate, dither, demur**

## Doubt as a Noun

### Definitions of "Doubt" as a noun

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

- *The state of being unsure of something.*
- *A feeling of uncertainty or lack of conviction.*
- *Uncertainty about the truth or factuality or existence of something.*



## Synonyms of "Doubt" as a noun (32 Words)

<b>apprehension</b>	Anxiety or fear that something bad or unpleasant will happen. <i>She had some <b>apprehensions</b> about the filming.</i>
<b>chariness</b>	The trait of being cautious and watchful.
<b>confusion</b>	Disorder resulting from a failure to behave predictably. <i>He changed his name in order to avoid <b>confusion</b> with the notorious outlaw.</i>
<b>cynicism</b>	An inclination to question whether something will happen or whether it is worthwhile; pessimism. <i>Public <b>cynicism</b> about politics.</i>
<b>diffidence</b>	Lack of self-confidence. <i>I say this with some <b>diffidence</b>.</i>
<b><u>disbelief</u></b>	Lack of faith. <i>Laura shook her head in <b>disbelief</b>.</i>

<b>distrust</b>	The feeling that someone or something cannot be relied upon. <i>The public s <b>distrust</b> of politicians.</i>
<b>doubtfulness</b>	The state of being unsure of something.
<b>dubiety</b>	The state or quality of being doubtful; uncertainty. <i>His enemies made much of the <b>dubiety</b> of his paternity.</i>
<b>dubiousness</b>	Uncertainty about the truth or factuality or existence of something. <i>The <b>dubiousness</b> of his claim.</i>
<b>hesitancy</b>	A certain degree of unwillingness. <i>His <b>hesitancy</b> revealed his basic indisposition.</i>
<b>hesitation</b>	Indecision in speech or action. <i>After some <b>hesitation</b> he agreed.</i>
<b>incertitude</b>	A state of uncertainty or hesitation. <i>Some schools broke down under the stresses of policy <b>incertitude</b>.</i>
<b>incredulity</b>	The state of being unwilling or unable to believe something. <i>He stared down the street in <b>incredulity</b>.</i>
<b>indecision</b>	The inability to make a decision quickly. <i>A gesture of <b>indecision</b>.</i>
<b>inhibition</b>	The quality of being inhibited. <i>The <b>inhibition</b> of the heart by the vagus nerve.</i>
<b>insecurity</b>	Uncertainty or anxiety about oneself; lack of confidence. <i>The <b>insecurity</b> of wireless networks.</i>
<b>lack of certainty</b>	The state of needing something that is absent or unavailable.
<b>lack of confidence</b>	The state of needing something that is absent or unavailable.
<b>lack of conviction</b>	The state of needing something that is absent or unavailable.
<b>lack of trust</b>	The state of needing something that is absent or unavailable.
<b>misbelief</b>	A wrong or false belief or opinion. <i>The <b>misbelief</b> that alcohol problems require a specialist response.</i>
<b>mistrust</b>	Lack of trust; suspicion. <i>The public <b>mistrust</b> of government.</i>
<b>question</b>	An instance of questioning. <i>Her loyalty is really beyond <b>question</b>.</i>
<b>questioning</b>	A request for information. <i>The young lieutenant escorted us to the barracks for <b>questioning</b>.</i>
<b>scepticism</b>	The disbelief in any claims of ultimate knowledge. <i>These claims were treated with <b>scepticism</b>.</i>

**suspicion**

Doubt about someone's honesty.

A **suspicion** of a smile.

**unbelief**

A rejection of belief.

The distinction between doubt and **unbelief** is valid and useful.

**uncertainty**

Being unsettled or in doubt or dependent on chance.

Times of **uncertainty** and danger.

**unease**

Physical discomfort (as mild sickness or depression).

Public **unease** about defence policy.

**uneasiness**

A feeling of anxiety or discomfort.

I sensed the **uneasiness** of people around me.

**wariness**

The trait of being cautious and watchful.

They had all regarded her with **wariness**.



## Usage Examples of "Doubt" as a noun

- They had doubts that they would ever win.
- Some doubt has been cast upon the authenticity of this account.

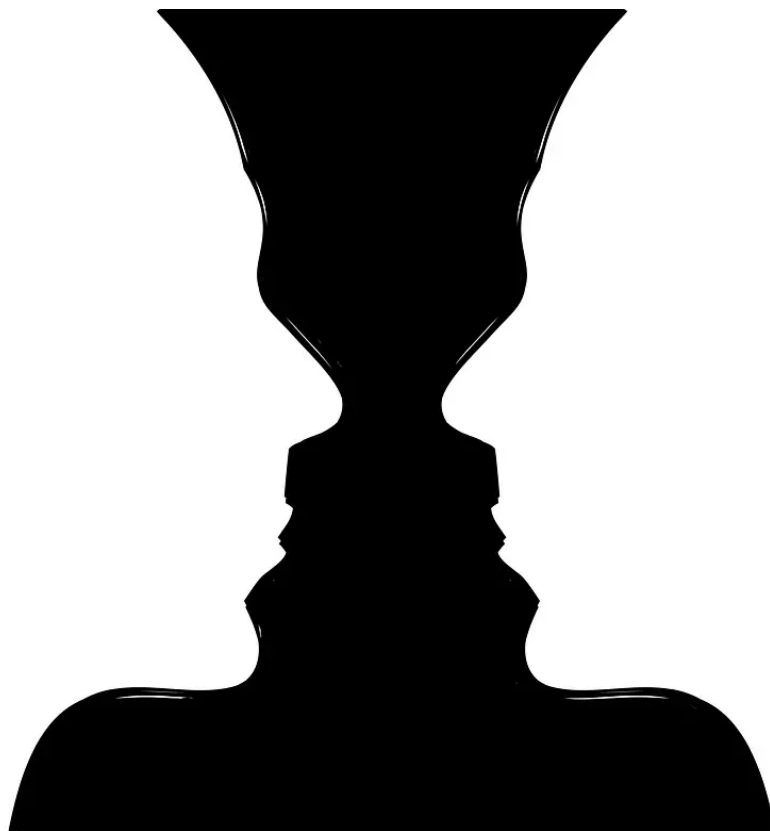


## Doubt as a Verb

### Definitions of "Doubt" as a verb

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

- *Fear; be afraid.*
- *Lack confidence in or have doubts about.*
- *Question the truth or fact of (something).*
- *Disbelieve or lack faith in (someone).*
- *Feel uncertain about.*
- *Feel uncertain, especially about one's religious beliefs.*
- *Consider unlikely or have doubts about.*



## Synonyms of "Doubt" as a verb (46 Words)

<b>be ambivalent</b>	Happen, occur, take place.
<b>be divided</b>	Be priced at.
<b>be doubtful</b>	Have the quality of being; (copula, used with an adjective or a predicate noun.
<b>be dubious</b>	Represent, as of a character on stage.
<b>be hesitant</b>	Be priced at.
<b>be in two minds</b>	Be identical or equivalent to.
<b>be irresolute</b>	Represent, as of a character on stage.
<b>be sceptical about</b>	Work in a specific place, with a specific subject, or in a specific function.
<b>be suspicious of</b>	Occupy a certain position or area.
<b>be tentative</b>	Spend or use time.
<b>be uncertain</b>	Occupy a certain position or area.
<b>be undecided</b>	Be identical to; be someone or something.

<b>be unsure</b>	Happen, occur, take place.
<b>be wary of</b>	Represent, as of a character on stage.
<b>call into question</b>	Stop or postpone because of adverse conditions, such as bad weather.
<b>cast doubt on</b>	Throw forcefully.
<b>challenge</b>	Issue a challenge to. <i>The mice were <b>challenged</b> with the influenza virus.</i>
<b>demur</b>	Enter a demurrer. <i>Normally she would have accepted the challenge but she <b>demurred</b>.</i>
<b>disbelieve</b>	Be unable to believe. <i>To <b>disbelieve</b> is as much an act of faith as belief.</i>
<b>dispute</b>	Take exception to. <i>He taught and <b>disputed</b> with local poets.</i>
<b><u>distrust</u></b>	Regard as untrustworthy; regard with suspicion; have no faith or confidence in. <i>Speculation remained that the Army <b>distrusted</b> the peace process.</i>
<b>dither</b>	Make a fuss; be agitated. <i>The easiest way to remove hot pixels is to <b>dither</b> the images.</i>
<b>falter</b>	Lose strength or momentum. <i>The music <b>faltered</b> stopped and started up again.</i>
<b>feel apprehensive about</b>	Examine (a body part) by palpation.
<b>feel chary about</b>	Undergo passive experience of.
<b>feel uneasy about</b>	Pass one's hands over the sexual organs of.
<b>harbour reservations about</b>	Secretly shelter (as of fugitives or criminals).
<b>harbour suspicions about</b>	Keep in one's possession; of animals.
<b>have a funny feeling about</b>	Have as a feature.
<b>have doubts</b>	Organize or be responsible for.
<b>have doubts about</b>	Cause to do; cause to act in a specified manner.
<b>have misgivings about</b>	Have left.
<b>have one's doubts about</b>	Have or possess, either in a concrete or an abstract sense.
<b>have qualms about</b>	Undergo.
<b>have reservations about</b>	Have a personal or business relationship with someone.
<b>have suspicions about</b>	Receive willingly something given or offered.

**hesitate**

Interrupt temporarily an activity before continuing.  
*She **hesitated** unsure of what to say.*

**lack confidence in**

Be without.

**lack conviction**

Be without.

**mistrust**

Regard as untrustworthy; regard with suspicion; have no faith or confidence in.

*She had no cause to **mistrust** him.*

[query](#)

Ask a question about something, especially in order to express one's doubts about it or to check its validity or accuracy.

*I rang the water company to **query** my bill.*

**question**

Pose a series of questions to.

*Members had **questioned** the cost of the scheme.*

[suspect](#)

Imagine to be the case or true or probable.

*If you **suspect** a gas leak do not turn on an electric light.*

**think something unlikely**

Have or formulate in the mind.

**vacillate**

Waver between different opinions or actions; be indecisive.

*The line on the monitor **vacillated**.*

**waver**

Move back and forth very rapidly.

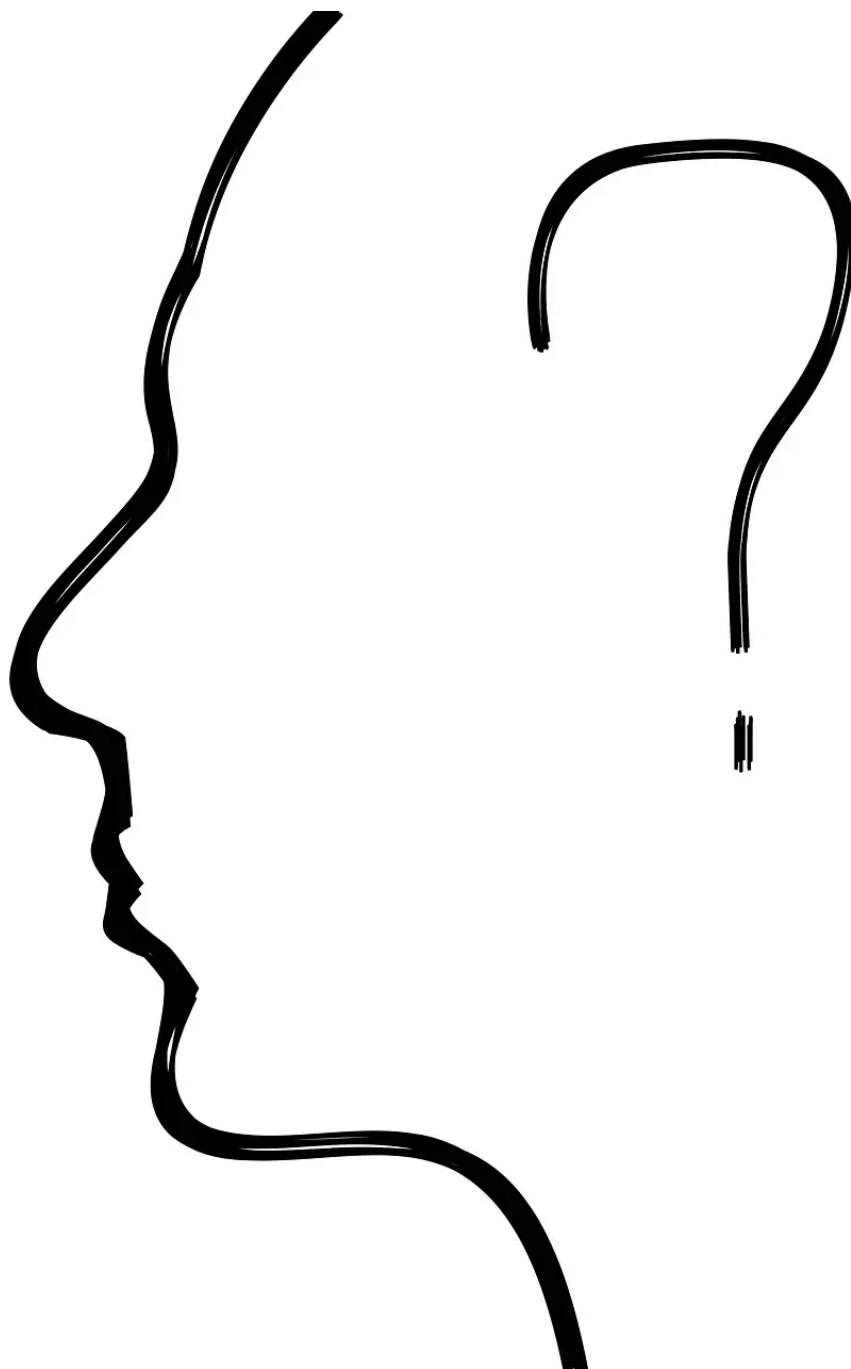
*The flame **wavered** in the draught.*





## Usage Examples of "Doubt" as a verb

- *I doubt these reports.*
- *I have no reason to doubt him.*
- *I doubt that she will accept his proposal of marriage.*
- *I doubt if anyone slept that night.*
- *I doubt not any ones contradicting this Journal.*
- *I doubt my ability to do the job.*
- *Who can doubt the value and necessity of these services?*



## Associations of "Doubt" (30 Words)

[disbelief](#)

Doubt about the truth of something.  
*I ll burn in hell for **disbelief**.*

<b>distrust</b>	Doubt the honesty or reliability of; regard with suspicion. <i>The public s <b>distrust</b> of politicians.</i>
<b>doubtful</b>	Not established as genuine or acceptable. <i>It is <b>doubtful</b> whether these schemes have any lasting effect.</i>
<b>dubiety</b>	The state of being unsure of something. <i>His enemies made much of the <b>dubiety</b> of his paternity.</i>
<b>dubious</b>	Not to be relied upon; suspect. <i>Extremely <b>dubious</b> assumptions.</i>
<b>equivocal</b>	Uncertain or questionable in nature. <i>The <b>equivocal</b> nature of her remarks.</i>
<b>falter</b>	Move hesitatingly, as if about to give way. <i>Her smile <b>faltered</b> and then faded.</i>
<b>hesitate</b>	Be reluctant to do something. <i>She <b>hesitated</b> unsure of what to say.</i>
<b>illegality</b>	The state of being contrary to or forbidden by law, especially criminal law. <i>Proceedings will be required to establish the <b>illegality</b> of the act.</i>
<b>inconclusive</b>	Not conclusive; not putting an end to doubt or question. <i>An <b>inconclusive</b> reply.</i>
<b>incredulity</b>	The state of being unwilling or unable to believe something. <i>He stared down the street in <b>incredulity</b>.</i>
<b>incredulous</b>	(of a person or their manner) unwilling or unable to believe something. <i>An <b>incredulous</b> gasp.</i>
<b>indecision</b>	The inability to make a decision quickly. <i>Government <b>indecision</b> over the future of local taxation.</i>
<b>indeterminate</b>	Not exactly known, established, or defined. <i>A zillion is a large <b>indeterminate</b> number.</i>
<b>leery</b>	Openly distrustful and unwilling to confide. <i>A city <b>leery</b> of gang violence.</i>
<b>misgiving</b>	Doubt about someone's honesty. <i>I felt a sense of <b>misgiving</b> at the prospect of retirement.</i>
<b>mistrust</b>	Doubt about someone's honesty. <i>She had no cause to <b>mistrust</b> him.</i>
<b>qualm</b>	An uneasy feeling of doubt, worry, or fear, especially about one's own conduct; a misgiving. <i>Military regimes generally have no <b>qualms</b> about controlling the press.</i>
<b>questionable</b>	Able to be refuted. <i><b>Questionable</b> motives.</i>

<b>sceptical</b>	Marked by or given to doubt. <i>The public were deeply <b>sceptical</b> about some of the proposals.</i>
<b>skeptic</b>	Someone who habitually doubts accepted beliefs.
<u><b>skeptical</b></u>	Denying or questioning the tenets of especially a religion. <i>A <b>skeptical</b> approach to the nature of miracles.</i>
<u><b>suspect</b></u>	Regard as untrustworthy; regard with suspicion; have no faith or confidence in. <i>Parents <b>suspected</b> of child abuse.</i>
<u><b>suspicion</b></u>	Cautious distrust. <i>He was arrested on <b>suspicion</b> of murder.</i>
<u><b>suspicious</b></u>	Openly distrustful and unwilling to confide. <i><b>Suspicious</b> behavior.</i>
<b>suspiciously</b>	With a cautious distrust or suspicion of someone or something. <i>What s going on I asked <b>suspiciously</b>.</i>
<u><b>uncertain</b></u>	Not established beyond doubt; still undecided or unknown. <i>An <b>uncertain</b> smile.</i>
<u><b>uncertainty</b></u>	The state of being uncertain. <i>Times of <b>uncertainty</b> and danger.</i>
<b>unwillingness</b>	The trait of being unwilling. <i>His <b>unwillingness</b> to cooperate vetoed every proposal I made.</i>
<u><b>waffle</b></u>	Pancake batter baked in a waffle iron. <i>His <b>waffle</b> on abortion.</i>

