

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)

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

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

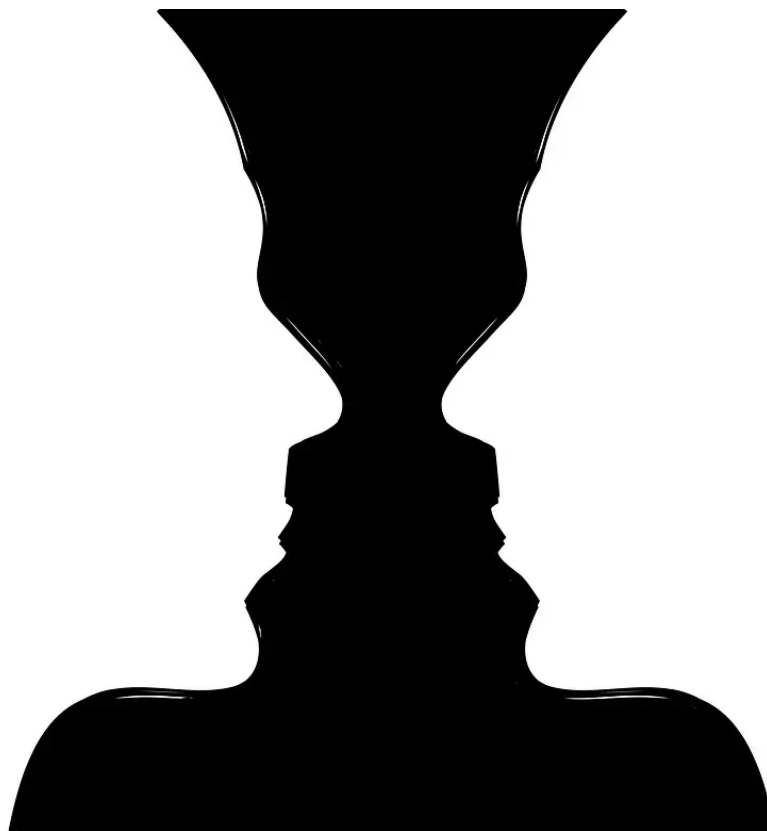


Doubt as a Verb

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)

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

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

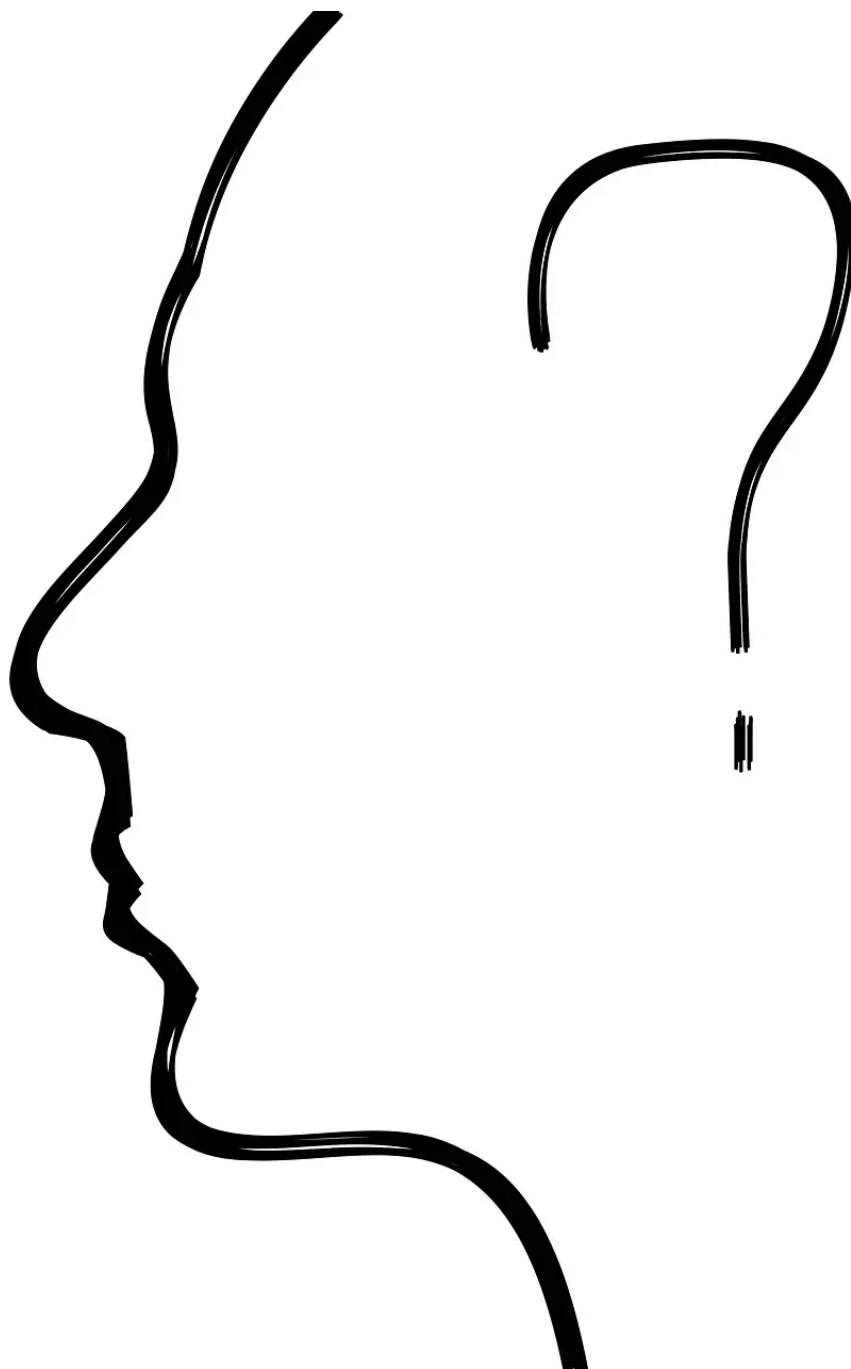
Move back and forth very rapidly.

*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**.*

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

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

