

Need another word that means the same as “duress”? Find 28 synonyms and 30 related words for “duress” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Duress” are: coercion, compulsion, force, pressure, intimidation, threats, constraint, enforcement, exaction, oppression, insistence, demand, entreaty, goading, provocation, harassment, nagging, badgering, arm-twisting, persuasion, influence, imprisonment, internment, confinement, detention, custody, captivity, restraint

Duress as a Noun

Definitions of "Duress" as a noun

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

- *Threats, violence, constraints, or other action used to coerce someone into doing something against their will or better judgement.*
- *Compulsory force or threat.*
- *Constraint illegally exercised to force someone to perform an act.*
- *Forcible restraint or imprisonment.*

Synonyms of "Duress" as a noun (28 Words)

arm-twisting	Persuasion by the use of direct personal pressure.
badgering	A native or resident of Wisconsin.
captivity	The condition of being imprisoned or confined. <i>He was held in captivity until he died.</i>

coercion	Using force to cause something to occur. <i>Our problem cannot be solved by any form of coercion but only by agreement.</i>
<u>compulsion</u>	Using force to cause something to occur. <i>He felt a compulsion to babble on about the accident.</i>
confinement	The act of keeping something within specified bounds (by force if necessary). <i>He was held in confinement.</i>
constraint	The state of being physically constrained. <i>Time constraints make it impossible to do everything.</i>
custody	(with `in') guardianship over; in divorce cases it is the right to house and care for and discipline a child. <i>He is in the custody of police.</i>
demand	The act of demanding. <i>The automobile reduced the demand for buggywhips.</i>
detention	The action of detaining someone or the state of being detained in official custody. <i>The detention of tardy pupils.</i>
enforcement	The act of enforcing; ensuring observance of or obedience to. <i>The strict enforcement of environmental regulations.</i>
entreaty	An earnest or humble request. <i>An entreaty to stop the fighting.</i>
exaction	A sum of money exacted from someone. <i>The billions flow in through 28 taxes and countless smaller exactions.</i>
force	The army navy and air force of a country. <i>A government has not the vitality and forcefulness of a living man.</i>
goad	A pointed instrument that is used to prod into a state of motion.
<u>harassment</u>	The act of tormenting by continued persistent attacks and criticism. <i>They face daily harassment and assault on the streets.</i>
<u>imprisonment</u>	The state of being imprisoned; captivity. <i>The imprisonment of captured soldiers.</i>
influence	A person or thing with the capacity to have an influence on someone or something. <i>Used her parents influence to get the job.</i>
insistence	Continual and persistent demands. <i>Alison s insistence on doing the washing up straight after the meal.</i>

internment	The state of being confined as a prisoner, especially for political or military reasons. <i>He was threatened with internment in a concentration camp.</i>
intimidation	The feeling of discouragement in the face of someone's superior fame or wealth or status etc. <i>The intimidation of witnesses and jurors.</i>
nagging	Someone (especially a woman) who annoys people by constantly finding fault.
oppression	The act of subjugating by cruelty. <i>A region shattered by oppression and killing.</i>
persuasion	A group or sect holding a particular religious belief. <i>I am not of your persuasion.</i>
pressure	The pressure exerted by the atmosphere. <i>The pressures of city life.</i>
provocation	Unfriendly behavior that causes anger or resentment. <i>Twenty patients had a high increase of serum gastrin after provocation with secretin.</i>
restraint	A rule or condition that limits freedom. <i>A policy of restraint in public spending.</i>
threats	A warning that something unpleasant is imminent. <i>Earthquakes are a constant threat in Japan.</i>

Usage Examples of "Duress" as a noun

- *Confessed under duress.*
- *Confessions extracted under duress.*

Associations of "Duress" (30 Words)

abduction	The action of forcibly taking someone away against their will. <i>Abductions by armed men in plain clothes.</i>
blackmail	Money demanded by a person or group engaged in blackmail. <i>They were acquitted of charges of blackmail.</i>
captive	Giving or marked by complete attention to. <i>A captive animal.</i>
captivity	The condition of being imprisoned or confined. <i>The third month of their captivity passed.</i>

<u>coerce</u>	To cause to do through pressure or necessity, by physical, moral or intellectual means. <i>Their confessions were allegedly coerced by torture.</i>
coercion	The act of compelling by force of authority. <i>They didn't have to use coercion.</i>
compel	Necessitate or exact. <i>The water shortage compels conservation.</i>
<u>compelling</u>	Not able to be refuted; inspiring conviction. <i>A compelling film.</i>
<u>compulsion</u>	An urge to do or say something that might be better left undone or unsaid. <i>He felt a compulsion to babble on about the accident.</i>
<u>compulsory</u>	Required by rule. <i>The abuse of compulsory powers.</i>
confinement	The state of being confined. <i>My grandmother's last six confinements.</i>
constrain	To close within bounds, or otherwise limit or deprive of free movement. <i>Duty constrains one to act often contrary to one's desires or inclinations.</i>
constraint	A device that retards something's motion. <i>They would be able to talk without constraint.</i>
custody	Imprisonment. <i>The mother was awarded custody of the children.</i>
disarmament	Act of reducing or depriving of arms. <i>Disarmament treaties between America and the former Soviet Union.</i>
dispossess	Deprive (someone) of land, property, or other possessions. <i>He dispossessed Hendrie and set off on a solo run.</i>
enforced	Forced or compelled or put in force. <i>A life of enforced inactivity.</i>
<u>fixation</u>	An abnormal state in which development has stopped prematurely. <i>Biopsy specimens were placed in cassettes before fixation in formalin.</i>
force	Take by force. <i>Mark forced her arms back above her head.</i>
forcible	Done by force. <i>Signs of forcible entry.</i>
hale	Prolific United States writer (1822-1909). <i>Hale and hearty.</i>
<u>imprisonment</u>	The state of being imprisoned. <i>The imprisonment of captured soldiers.</i>

make	Make by shaping or bringing together constituents. <i>What make of car is that.</i>
<u>obsession</u>	The state of being obsessed with someone or something. <i>He was in the grip of an obsession he was powerless to resist.</i>
pressure	The act of pressing the exertion of pressure. <i>She pressured her son to accept a job offer from the bank.</i>
restraint	A device which limits or prevents freedom of movement. <i>He urged the protestors to exercise restraint.</i>
restriction	An act of limiting or restricting (as by regulation). <i>The restriction of local government power.</i>
tighten	Become tight or tighter. <i>Tighten the rules.</i>
travail	Concluding state of pregnancy; from the onset of contractions to the birth of a child. <i>Creation may travail in pain but it cannot escape its destiny.</i>