

Need another word that means the same as “equivocate”? Find 14 synonyms and 30 related words for “equivocate” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Equivocate” are: beat around the bush, palter, prevaricate, tergiversate, be evasive, be non-committal, be vague, be ambiguous, dodge the issue, evade the issue, beat about the bush, hedge, hedge one's bets, fudge the issue**

## Equivocate as a Verb

### Definitions of "Equivocate" as a verb

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

- *Use ambiguous language so as to conceal the truth or avoid committing oneself.*
- *Be deliberately ambiguous or unclear in order to mislead or withhold information.*

### Synonyms of "Equivocate" as a verb (14 Words)

<b>be ambiguous</b>	Be identical or equivalent to.
<b>be evasive</b>	Happen, occur, take place.
<b>be non-committal</b>	Be identical to; be someone or something.
<b>be vague</b>	Occupy a certain position or area.
<b>beat about the bush</b>	Move rhythmically.
<b>beat around the bush</b>	Glare or strike with great intensity.
<b>dodge the issue</b>	Avoid or try to avoid fulfilling, answering, or performing (duties, questions, or issues).

<b>evade the issue</b>	Practice evasion.
<b>fudge the issue</b>	Make out and issue.
<b>hedge</b>	Surround with a hedge. <i>The animals were <b>hedged</b> in.</i>
<b>hedge one's bets</b>	Hinder or restrict with or as if with a hedge.
<b>palter</b>	Be deliberately ambiguous or unclear in order to mislead or withhold information. <i>This great work should not be <b>paltered</b> with.</i>
<b>prevaricate</b>	Speak or act in an evasive way. <i>He seemed to <b>prevaricate</b> when journalists asked pointed questions.</i>
<b>tergiversate</b>	Abandon one's beliefs or allegiances. <i>The more she <b>tergiversated</b> the greater grew the ardency of the reporters for an interview.</i>

## Usage Examples of "Equivocate" as a verb

- *The government have equivocated too often in the past.*

## Associations of "Equivocate" (30 Words)

<b><u>ambiguity</u></b>	An expression whose meaning cannot be determined from its context. <i>We can detect no <b>ambiguity</b> in this section of the Act.</i>
<b>ambiguous</b>	Open to more than one interpretation; not having one obvious meaning. <i><b>Ambiguous</b> phrases.</i>
<b>ambiguously</b>	So as to be open to doubt or uncertainty. <i>This letter is worded <b>ambiguously</b>.</i>
<b><u>ambivalent</u></b>	Having mixed feelings or contradictory ideas about something or someone. <i>An <b>ambivalent</b> attitude to Europe.</i>
<b>babble</b>	Talk rapidly and continuously in a foolish, excited, or incomprehensible way. <i>Her soft voice stopped his <b>babble</b>.</i>
<b>doubtful</b>	Unsettled in mind or opinion. <i>The fire was of <b>doubtful</b> origin.</i>
<b>equivocal</b>	Uncertain as a sign or indication. <i>The results of the investigation were <b>equivocal</b>.</i>

<b>equivocation</b>	Falsification by means of vague or ambiguous language. <i>I say this without <b>equivocation</b>.</i>
<b>evasion</b>	An indirect answer; a prevaricating excuse. <i>His <b>evasion</b> of all his creditors.</i>
<b><u>evasive</u></b>	Tending to avoid commitment or self-revelation, especially by responding only indirectly. <i>She was <b>evasive</b> about her phone number.</i>
<b>gibber</b>	Unintelligible talking. <i>They shrieked and <b>gibbered</b> as flames surrounded them.</i>
<b>imprecision</b>	Lack of exactness or accuracy. <i>All scientific measurements come with some degree of <b>imprecision</b>.</i>
<b><u>incoherent</u></b>	Of waves having no stable definite or stable phase relation. <i>He was <b>incoherent</b> with sentiment.</i>
<b>inconclusive</b>	Not leading to a firm conclusion or result; not ending doubt or dispute. <i>An <b>inconclusive</b> reply.</i>
<b>indeterminate</b>	Having a capacity for continuing to grow at the apex. <i>The carpet is an <b>indeterminate</b> dull shade.</i>
<b><u>mumble</u></b>	A soft indistinct utterance. <i>He <b>mumbled</b> something she didn't catch.</i>
<b><u>murmur</u></b>	Make a low continuous sound. <i>Now they do not simply <b>murmur</b> against him they quarrel noisily with him.</i>
<b><u>mutter</u></b>	A complaint uttered in a low and indistinct tone. <i>A little <b>mutter</b> of disgust.</i>
<b>nebulous</b>	Lacking definite form or limits. <i><b>Nebulous</b> distinction between pride and conceit.</i>
<b>noncommittal</b>	Refusing to bind oneself to a particular course of action or view or the like. <i>Her boyfriend was <b>noncommittal</b> about their future together.</i>
<b>palter</b>	Trifle with. <i>If you <b>palter</b> or double in your answers I will have thee hung alive in an iron chain.</i>
<b>prevaricate</b>	Be deliberately ambiguous or unclear in order to mislead or withhold information. <i>He seemed to <b>prevaricate</b> when journalists asked pointed questions.</i>
<b>prevarication</b>	Intentionally vague or ambiguous.

<b><u>slur</u></b>	Mark notes with a slur. <i>I can play it if I don't <b>slur</b> the notes.</i>
<b>smudge</b>	Make a smudge on soil by smudging. <i>The low <b>smudge</b> of hills on the horizon.</i>
<b><u>uncertain</u></b>	Not certain to occur; not inevitable. <i>I was <b>uncertain</b> how to proceed.</i>
<b><u>unclear</u></b>	Not obvious or definite; ambiguous. <i>The motive for this killing is <b>unclear</b>.</i>
<b>undifferentiated</b>	Not different or differentiated. <i>By six weeks the sexual glands are as yet <b>undifferentiated</b> between male and female.</i>
<b><u>vague</u></b>	Thinking or communicating in an unfocused or imprecise way. <i>Their descriptions of human behavior become <b>vague</b> dull and unclear.</i>
<b>vaguely</b>	In a vague way. <i>He nodded <b>vaguely</b>.</i>