

Need another word that means the same as “expect”? Find 43 synonyms and 30 related words for “expect” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Expect” are: anticipate, ask, require, await, look, wait, bear, carry, gestate, have a bun in the oven, look for, hope for, watch for, look forward to, look ahead to, have in prospect, suppose, presume, think it likely, think, believe, imagine, assume, conjecture, surmise, calculate, judge, ask for, call for, wish, want, i assume, i expect, i believe, i presume, i take it, i suppose, i imagine, i dare say, i would have thought, it is to be presumed, i guess, without doubt**

## Expect as a Verb

### Definitions of "Expect" as a verb

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

- *Regard something as probable or likely.*
- *Require (something) as rightfully due or appropriate in the circumstances.*
- *Consider reasonable or due.*
- *Require (someone) to fulfil an obligation.*
- *Look forward to the birth of a child.*
- *Believe that (someone or something) will arrive soon.*
- *Used to indicate that one supposes something to be so but has no firm evidence.*
- *Be pregnant with.*
- *Regard (someone) as likely to do or be something.*
- *Regard (something) as likely to happen.*
- *Look forward to the probable occurrence of.*
- *Consider obligatory; request and expect.*



## Synonyms of "Expect" as a verb (43 Words)

<b>anticipate</b>	Be a forerunner of or occur earlier than. <i>This composition <b>anticipates</b> Impressionism.</i>
<b>ask</b>	Require or ask for as a price or condition. <i>This job <b>asks</b> a lot of patience and skill.</i>
<b>ask for</b>	Require or ask for as a price or condition.
<b><u>assume</u></b>	Suppose to be the case, without proof. <i>I <b>assume</b> his train was late.</i>
<b>await</b>	Wait for (an event). <i>We <b>await</b> the proposals with impatience.</i>
<b><u>bear</u></b>	Have rightfully; of rights, titles, and offices. <i>She could hardly <b>bear</b> his sarcasm.</i>
<b>believe</b>	Follow a credo have a faith be a believer. <i>There are those on the fringes of the Church who do not really <b>believe</b>.</i>

<b>calculate</b>	Predict in advance. <i>The program can <b>calculate</b> the number of words that will fit in the space available.</i>
<b>call for</b>	Utter a characteristic note or cry.
<b>carry</b>	Have with oneself; have on one's person. <i>Do you <b>carry</b> kerosene heaters.</i>
<b>conjecture</b>	To believe especially on uncertain or tentative grounds. <i>Many <b>conjectured</b> that the jury could not agree.</i>
<b>gestate</b>	(of a fetus) undergo gestation. <i>Rabbits <b>gestate</b> for approximately twenty eight days.</i>
<b>have a bun in the oven</b>	Have left.
<b>have in prospect</b>	Get something; come into possession of.
<b>hope for</b>	Expect and wish.
<b>i assume</b>	Put clothing on one's body.
<b>i believe</b>	Judge or regard; look upon; judge.
<b>i dare say</b>	Take upon oneself; act presumptuously, without permission.
<b>i expect</b>	Consider obligatory; request and expect.
<b>i guess</b>	Put forward, of a guess, in spite of possible refutation.
<b>i imagine</b>	Form a mental image of something that is not present or that is not the case.
<b>i presume</b>	Constitute reasonable evidence for.
<b>i suppose</b>	Require as a necessary antecedent or precondition.
<b>i take it</b>	Interpret something in a certain way; convey a particular meaning or impression.
<b>i would have thought</b>	Serve oneself to, or consume regularly.
<b>imagine</b>	Form a mental image or concept of. <i>She <b>imagined</b> him at his desk his head in his hands.</i>
<b>it is to be presumed</b>	Happen, occur, take place.
<b>judge</b>	Put on trial or hear a case and sit as the judge at the trial of. <i>It is hard to <b>judge</b> whether such opposition is justified.</i>
<b>look</b>	Of a building or room have an outlook in a specified direction. <i>He just didn't <b>look</b> himself at all.</i>
<b>look ahead to</b>	Perceive with attention; direct one's gaze towards.
<b>look for</b>	Look forward to the probable occurrence of.

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<b><u>presume</u></b>	Be arrogant or impertinent enough to do something. <i>I <b>presumed</b> that the man had been escorted from the building.</i>
<b>require</b>	Require as useful just or proper. <i>Success usually <b>requires</b> hard work.</i>
<b><u>suppose</u></b>	Expect believe or suppose. <i>Scientists <b>supposed</b> that large dinosaurs lived in swamps.</i>
<b><u>surmise</u></b>	Imagine to be the case or true or probable. <i>I don't think they're locals she <b>surmised</b>.</i>
<b>think</b>	Decide by pondering, reasoning, or reflecting. <i>She didn't <b>think</b> to harm me.</i>
<b>think it likely</b>	Expect, believe, or suppose.
<b>wait</b>	Wait before acting. <i>We're <b>waiting</b> for Allan to get back.</i>
<b>want</b>	Feel or have a desire for want strongly. <i>I'll give you a lift into town if you <b>want</b>.</i>
<b>watch for</b>	Observe with attention.
<b><u>wish</u></b>	Order politely express a wish for. <i>They <b>wish</b> to become involved.</i>
<b>without doubt</b>	Consider unlikely or have doubts about.





## Usage Examples of "Expect" as a verb

- *We expect employers to pay a reasonable salary.*
- *The hearing is expected to last a week.*
- *We were expecting a visit from our relatives.*
- *Celia was expecting a visitor.*
- *I'm expecting a full explanation as to why these files were destroyed.*
- *She is expecting in March.*
- *The meteorologists are expecting rain for tomorrow.*
- *I expect my students to arrive in time for their lessons.*
- *They were not expecting him to continue.*
- *They're just friends of his, I expect.*
- *One might expect that Hollywood would adjust its approach.*
- *The are expecting another child in January.*
- *We expect great things of you.*
- *It's as well to expect the worst.*

- *I expect you know them?*



## Associations of "Expect" (30 Words)

<b>anticipate</b>	Be excited or anxious about. <i>She <b>anticipated</b> scorn on her return to the theatre.</i>
<b>anticipation</b>	The action of anticipating something; expectation or prediction. <i>They manned the telephones in <b>anticipation</b> of a flood of calls.</i>
<b>anticipatory</b>	In anticipation. <i>An <b>anticipatory</b> flash of excitement.</i>
<b>aspirant</b>	An ambitious and aspiring young person. <i>A lofty <b>aspirant</b>.</i>
<b>assume</b>	Seize and take control without authority and possibly with force; take as one's right or possession. <i>It is reasonable to <b>assume</b> that such changes have significant social effects.</i>

<b>assumption</b>	The act of taking possession of or power over something. <i>Your <b>assumption</b> that I would agree was unwarranted.</i>
<b>astrologer</b>	Someone who predicts the future by the positions of the planets and sun and Moon. <i>He was advised by <b>astrologers</b> to delay his departure.</i>
<b>conjecture</b>	(in textual criticism) the suggestion of a reading of a text not present in the original source. <i>A matter for <b>conjecture</b>.</i>
<b>envisage</b>	Form a mental picture of (something not yet existing or known). <i>The Rome Treaty <b>envisaged</b> free movement across frontiers.</i>
<b>expectancy</b>	An expectation. <i>An indicator of <b>expectancy</b> in development.</i>
<b>expectation</b>	The feeling that something is about to happen. <i>I sat down in <b>expectation</b> of a feast of nostalgia.</i>
<b>forebode</b>	(of a situation or occurrence) act as an advance warning of (something bad). <i>This lull <b>foreboded</b> some new assault upon him.</i>
<b>forecast</b>	A prediction about how something (as the weather) will develop. <i>Coal consumption in Europe is <b>forecast</b> to increase.</i>
<b>forecasting</b>	A statement made about the future.
<b>foresee</b>	Act in advance of; deal with ahead of time. <i>It is impossible to <b>foresee</b> how life will work out.</i>
<b>foretell</b>	Predict (the future or a future event). <i>A seer had foretold that the earl would assume the throne.</i>
<b>guess</b>	Guess correctly solve by guessing. <i>She s <b>guessed</b> where we re going.</i>
<b>guesswork</b>	The process or results of guessing. <i>Answering this question will involve you in a certain amount of <b>guesswork</b>.</i>
<b>hopeful</b>	Feeling or inspiring optimism about a future event. <i>He remained <b>hopeful</b> that something could be worked out.</i>
<b>preconception</b>	A preconceived idea or prejudice. <i>He did not even try to confirm his <b>preconceptions</b>.</i>
<b>predict</b>	Make a prediction about tell in advance. <i>He <b>predicts</b> that the trend will continue.</i>
<b>prediction</b>	A statement made about the future. <i>A <b>prediction</b> that economic growth would resume.</i>

<b><u>presume</u></b>	Constitute reasonable evidence for. <i>I <b>presumed</b> that the man had been escorted from the building.</i>
<b>presuppose</b>	Tacitly assume at the beginning of a line of argument or course of action that something is the case. <i>Their original prediction <b>presupposed</b> a universe only three billion years old.</i>
<b>prognosticate</b>	Make a prediction about; tell in advance. <i>The economists were prognosticating financial Armageddon.</i>
<b><u>prophecy</u></b>	A prediction uttered under divine inspiration. <i>The gift of <b>prophecy</b>.</i>
<b>prophecy</b>	Say that (a specified thing) will happen in the future. <i>Jacques was <b>propheying</b> a bumper harvest.</i>
<b>speculation</b>	An investment that is very risky but could yield great profits. <i>This is pure <b>speculation</b> on my part.</i>
<b><u>suppose</u></b>	Expect believe or suppose. <i>I <b>presuppose</b> that you have done your work.</i>
<b>supposition</b>	A hypothesis that is taken for granted. <i>Their outrage was based on <b>supposition</b> and hearsay.</i>



