

Need another word that means the same as “forward”? Find 82 synonyms and 30 related words for “forward” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Forward” are: forth, onward, fore, forrad, forrard, forwards, frontward, frontwards, ahead, forrader, onwards, on, further, out, advancing, forward-moving, moving forwards, moving ahead, progressive, front, advance, foremost, head, leading, frontal, future, forward-looking, for the future, prospective, advanced, well advanced, early, premature, bold, brazen, brazen-faced, barefaced, brash, shameless, immodest, audacious, daring, presumptuous, presuming, assuming, familiar, overfamiliar, send on, redirect, readdress, pass on, send, dispatch, transmit, carry, convey, deliver, remit, mail, ship, freight, hasten, hurry along, expedite, accelerate, speed up, step up, aid, assist, help, foster, encourage, contribute to, promote, favour, support, back, give backing to, facilitate**

## Forward as a Verb

### Definitions of "Forward" as a verb

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

- *Send or ship onward from an intermediate post or station in transit.*
- *Send (a letter or email) on to a further destination.*
- *Dispatch or send (a document or goods).*
- *Help to advance (something); promote.*



## Synonyms of "Forward" as a verb (34 Words)

<b><u>accelerate</u></b>	Cause to move faster. <i>The key question is whether stress <b>accelerates</b> ageing.</i>
<b>advance</b>	Pay in advance. <i>We have to <b>advance</b> clocks and watches when we travel eastward.</i>
<b>aid</b>	Help or support (someone or something) in the achievement of something. <i>Women were <b>aided</b> in childbirth by midwives.</i>
<b>assist</b>	Act as an assistant in a subordinate or supportive function. <i>They were <b>assisting</b> police with their inquiries.</i>
<b><u>back</u></b>	Walk or drive backwards. <i>The government troops were <b>backed</b> by paramilitary forces.</i>

<b>carry</b>	Behave in a certain manner. <i>The product does not <b>carry</b> the swallow symbol.</i>
<b>contribute to</b>	Contribute to some cause.
<b>convey</b>	Communicate (a message or information). <i>She <b>conveyed</b> the message to me.</i>
<b>deliver</b>	Deliver a speech oration or idea. <i><b>Deliver</b> us from the nightmare of junk mail.</i>
<b>dispatch</b>	Kill. <i>The government <b>dispatched</b> 150 police to restore order.</i>
<b>encourage</b>	Contribute to the progress or growth of. <i>His financial success <b>encouraged</b> him to look for a wife.</i>
<b>expedite</b>	Make (an action or process) happen sooner or be accomplished more quickly. <i>This should <b>expedite</b> the process.</i>
<b>facilitate</b>	Make easier. <i>You could <b>facilitate</b> the process by sharing your knowledge.</i>
<b>favour</b>	Treat (an injured limb) gently, not putting one's full weight on it. <i>Slashing public spending is a policy that few politicians <b>favour</b>.</i>
<b>foster</b>	Bring up under fosterage of children. <i>Appropriate praise helps a child <b>foster</b> a sense of self worth.</i>
<b>freight</b>	Be laden or burdened with. <i>Each word was <b>freighted</b> with anger.</i>
<b>further</b>	Help the progress or development of (something); promote. <i>He had depended on using them to <b>further</b> his own career.</i>
<b>give backing to</b>	Give (as medicine).
<b>hasten</b>	Speed up the progress of; facilitate. <i>This tragedy probably <b>hastened</b> his own death from heart disease.</i>
<b>help</b>	Help to some food help with food or drink. <i>He was <b>helped</b> down the steps.</i>
<b>hurry along</b>	Act or move at high speed.
<b>mail</b>	Send someone email. <i>I'll <b>mail</b> you the check tomorrow.</i>
<b>pass on</b>	Go unchallenged; be approved.
<b>promote</b>	Of an additive act as a promoter of a catalyst. <i>They were <b>promoted</b> from the Third Division last season.</i>
<b>readdress</b>	Look at or attend to (an issue or problem) once again. <i>The mail is then <b>readdressed</b> and forwarded.</i>

<b><u>redirect</u></b>	Direct (something) to a new or different place or purpose. <i>Resources were <b>redirected</b> to a major project.</i>
<b><u>remit</u></b>	Diminish or abate. <i>The taxes were <b>remitted</b>.</i>
<b>send</b>	Send a message or letter. <i><b>Send</b> me your latest results.</i>
<b>send on</b>	Cause to go somewhere. Travel by ship.
<b><u>ship</u></b>	<i>The cellular phone is expected to <b>ship</b> at about 500 sometime this summer.</i>
<b>speed up</b>	Travel at an excessive or illegal velocity.
<b>step up</b>	Cause (a computer) to execute a single command.
<b>support</b>	Be the physical support of carry the weight of. <i>The scholarship <b>supported</b> me when I was in college.</i>
<b><u>transmit</u></b>	Transmit or serve as the medium for transmission. <i>The three bones <b>transmit</b> sound waves to the inner ear.</i>



## Usage Examples of "Forward" as a verb

- *The scientists are forwarding the development of biotechnology.*
- *Forward my mail.*
- *My emails were forwarded to a friend.*
- *We will forward the parcels to you anywhere in the world.*
- *I recently received an email forwarded from a friend.*



## Forward as an Adjective

### Definitions of "Forward" as an adjective

According to the [Oxford Dictionary of English](#), "forward" as an adjective can have the following definitions:

- *Situated in or towards the bow or nose of a ship or aircraft.*

- *Progressing towards a successful conclusion.*
- *(of a voltage applied to a semiconductor junction) in the direction which allows significant current to flow.*
- *Moving forward.*
- *Used of temperament or behavior; lacking restraint or modesty.*
- *Directed or facing towards the front or the direction that one is facing or travelling.*
- *(of a person) bold or overfamiliar in manner.*
- *Further advanced than expected or required.*
- *Of the transmission gear causing forward movement in a motor vehicle.*
- *At or near or directed toward the front.*
- *Relating to the future.*
- *Positioned near the enemy lines.*



## Synonyms of "Forward" as an adjective (34 Words)

- advance**      Situated ahead or going before.  
***Advance** notice.*
- advanced**      At a higher level in training or knowledge or skill.  
*The content of at least some programmes should be at an **advanced** level.*

<b>advancing</b>	Moving forward.
<b>assuming</b>	Excessively forward. <i>On a subject like this it would be too <b>assuming</b> for me to decide.</i>
<b>audacious</b>	Unrestrained by convention or propriety. <i>An <b>audacious</b> interpretation of two Jacobean dramas.</i>
<b>barefaced</b>	With no effort to conceal. <i>A <b>barefaced</b> hypocrite.</i>
<b>bold</b>	Clear and distinct. <i>A <b>bold</b> adventure.</i>
<b>brash</b>	Offensively bold. <i>A <b>brash</b> newcomer disputed the age old rules for admission to the club.</i>
<b>brazen</b>	Bold and without shame. <i>A <b>brazen</b> hussy.</i>
<b>brazen-faced</b>	Unrestrained by convention or propriety- Los Angeles Times.
<b>daring</b>	Disposed to venture or take risks. <i>He rapidly discovered an audience hungry for his <b>daring</b> new works.</i>
<b>early</b>	Of an early stage in the development of a language or literature. <i>An <b>early</b> death.</i>
<b>familiar</b>	Often encountered or experienced; common. <i>A <b>familiar</b> excuse.</i>
<b>for the future</b>	Effective in or looking toward the future.
<b>foremost</b>	Most prominent in rank, importance, or position. <i>One of the <b>foremost</b> art collectors of his day.</i>
<b>forward-looking</b>	Ahead of the times.
<b>forward-moving</b>	Moving forward.
<b>front</b>	Relating to or located in the front. <i>She was in the <b>front</b> garden.</i>
<b>frontal</b>	Of or adjacent to the forehead or frontal bone. <i>The <b>frontal</b> lobes.</i>
<b>future</b>	Effective in or looking toward the future. <i>The needs of <b>future</b> generations.</i>
<b>head</b>	Chief; principal. <i>The <b>head</b> waiter.</i>
<b>immodest</b>	Offending against sexual mores in conduct or appearance. <i>Brash <b>immodest</b> boasting.</i>

<b>leading</b>	Having the leading position or higher score in a contest. <i>The <b>leading</b> edge of technology.</i>
<b>moving ahead</b>	In motion.
<b>moving forwards</b>	Used of a series of photographs presented so as to create the illusion of motion.
<b>onward</b>	(of a journey) continuing or moving forward. <i>The <b>onward</b> march of history.</i>
<b>overfamiliar</b>	Taking undue liberties. <i>The <b>overfamiliar</b> teacher's voice.</i>
<b><u>premature</u></b>	Born after a gestation period of less than the normal time. <i>A <b>premature</b> infant.</i>
<b>presuming</b>	Presumptuous.
<b><u>presumptuous</u></b>	Excessively forward. <i>The duchess would not put up with <b>presumptuous</b> servants.</i>
<b><u>progressive</u></b>	Denoting an aspect or tense of a verb that expresses an action in progress, e.g. am writing, was writing. <i>Classic <b>progressive</b> albums.</i>
<b>prospective</b>	Expected or expecting to be the specified thing in the future. <i>A <b>prospective</b> mother.</i>
<b>shameless</b>	(of a person or their conduct) characterized by or showing a lack of shame; barefaced or brazen. <i>His <b>shameless</b> hypocrisy.</i>
<b>well advanced</b>	In good health especially after having suffered illness or injury.





## Usage Examples of "Forward" as an adjective

- *A forward plunge down the stairs.*
- *A forward child badly in need of discipline.*
- *The forward cargo doors.*
- *Troops moved to the forward areas.*
- *A twelve-month forward forecast.*
- *The decision is a forward step.*
- *I am not usually a forward sort of person.*
- *Forward flight.*
- *The forward section of the aircraft.*
- *The pilot's forward view.*
- *Forward motion.*
- *An alarmingly forward yet painfully vulnerable child.*
- *The crew's cabin is forward.*



## Forward as an Adverb

### Definitions of "Forward" as an adverb

According to the [Oxford Dictionary of English](#), "forward" as an adverb can have the following definitions:

- *Toward the future; forward in time.*
- *To an earlier time.*
- *At or to or toward the front; ('fornad' and 'fornard' are dialectal variations).*
- *Near or toward the bow of a ship or cockpit of a plane.*
- *Forward in time or order or degree.*
- *Into a position of prominence or notice.*
- *In a forward direction.*
- *In or towards the bow or nose of a ship or aircraft.*
- *In the normal order or sequence.*

- *Onward so as to make progress.*
- *At or to or toward the front.*
- *Towards the future; ahead in time.*
- *In the direction that one is facing or travelling; towards the front.*



## Synonyms of "Forward" as an adverb (14 Words)

- ahead** Ahead of time in anticipation.  
*Go **ahead**.*
- fore** Near or toward the bow of a ship or cockpit of a plane.  
*The captain went **fore** or forward to check the instruments.*
- fornad** At or to or toward the front fornad and fornard are dialectal variations.
- fornader** In a forward direction.  
*I couldn't conceive that the information could get the police any **fornader**.*
- fornard** At or to or toward the front fornad and fornard are dialectal variations.  
*I went **fornard** to where the skipper was standing on the poop.*
- forth** From a particular thing or place or position forth is obsolete.  
*Go **forth** and preach.*
- forwards** At or to or toward the front.
- frontward** At or to or toward the front.  
*I abseiled **frontward** down a rock face.*
- frontwards** At or to or toward the front.

<b>further</b>	In addition or furthermore. <i>They are <b>further</b> along in their research than we expected.</i>
<b>on</b>	Of an employee working on duty. <i>Move <b>along</b>.</i>
<b>onward</b>	Forward in time or order or degree. <i>The business moved <b>onward</b> and upward.</i>
<b>onwards</b>	In a forward direction.
<b>out</b>	Situated or operating in the open air, away from buildings. <i>Try to get the stain <b>out</b>.</i>



## Usage Examples of "Forward" as an adverb

- *He faced forward.*
- *I look forward to seeing you.*
- *The signing of the treaty is a big step forward.*
- *They went slowly forward in the mud.*
- *He is pushing forward a political ally.*
- *The number was the same backwards as forwards.*
- *Step forward.*
- *Rory leaned forward over the table.*

- *The captain went fore (or forward) to check the instruments.*
- *The special issue has been moved forward to November.*
- *He started up the engine and the car moved forward.*
- *Looking forward, earnings are expected to hit £7.2 billion.*



## Associations of "Forward" (30 Words)

<b>above</b>	In or to a place that is higher. <i>See <b>above</b>.</i>
<b>advance</b>	Pay in advance. <i><b>Advance</b> payment.</i>
<b>ahead</b>	Leading or ahead in a competition. <i>The horse was three lengths <b>ahead</b> going into the home stretch.</i>
<b>antecedent</b>	Denoting or counting as an antecedent. <i><b>Antecedent</b> events.</i>

<b>antedate</b>	Precede in time; come before (something) in date. <i>A civilization that <b>antedated</b> the Roman Empire.</i>
<b>anterior</b>	A tooth situated at the front of the mouth. <i>His malocclusion was caused by malposed <b>anterior</b>s.</i>
<b>before</b>	During the period of time preceding a particular event or time. <i>He called me the day <b>before</b> but your call had come even earlier.</i>
<b>beforehand</b>	Ahead of time; in anticipation. <i>Should have made reservations <b>beforehand</b>.</i>
<b>first</b>	The fielding position of the player on a baseball team who is stationed at first of the bases in the infield counting counterclockwise from home plate. <i>Her <b>first</b> baby.</i>
<b>forefront</b>	The leading or most important position or place. <i>He was in the <b>forefront</b>.</i>
<b>forego</b>	Lose (s.th.) or lose the right to (s.th.) by some error, offense, or crime.
<b>former</b>	(used especially of persons) of the immediate past. <i>The powers of the <b>former</b> are more comprehensive than those of the latter.</i>
<b>front</b>	Of a building or piece of land have the front facing or directed towards. <i>He led the national liberation <b>front</b>.</i>
<b>henceforth</b>	From this or that time on. <i><b>Henceforth</b> she will be known as Mrs Smith.</i>
<b>hurtle</b>	Move or cause to move at high speed, typically in an uncontrolled manner. <i>A runaway car <b>hurtled</b> towards them.</i>
<b>lunge</b>	An exercise or gymnastic movement resembling the lunge of a fencer. <i>Billy <b>lunged</b> his spear at the fish.</i>
<b>outdistance</b>	Leave (a competitor or pursuer) far behind. <i>He <b>outdistanced</b> the other runners.</i>
<b>outpace</b>	Go, rise, or improve faster than. <i>Import growth <b>outpaced</b> export growth in the second quarter.</i>
<b>precede</b>	Be earlier in time; go back further. <i>Stone tools <b>precede</b> bronze tools.</i>
<b>precedent</b>	A system of jurisprudence based on judicial precedents rather than statutory laws. <i>We hope to set a legal <b>precedent</b> to protect hundreds of miles of green lanes.</i>
<b>preceding</b>	Coming before something in order, position, or time. <i>A growth in sales above those of the <b>preceding</b> year.</i>

<b>predate</b>	Prey on or hunt for. <i>These mammals <b>predate</b> certain eggs.</i>
<b>predecessor</b>	A person who held a job or office before the current holder. <i>The chapel was built in 1864 on the site of its <b>predecessor</b>.</i>
<b>prefatory</b>	Serving as an introduction or preface. <i>In his <b>prefatory</b> remarks the author claims that.</i>
<b>prematurely</b>	Too soon; in a premature manner. <i><b>Prematurely</b> grey hair.</i>
<b>previous</b>	Previous convictions a criminal record. <i>The <b>previous</b> occupant of the White House.</i>
<b>previously</b>	At a previous or earlier time; before. <i>She had <b>previously</b> lived in Chicago.</i>
<b>prior</b>	The head of a religious order in an abbey the prior is next below the abbot. <i>He has a <b>prior</b> engagement this evening.</i>
<b>priority</b>	The right to proceed before other traffic. <i>The safety of the country takes <b>priority</b> over any other matter.</i>
<b>untimely</b>	(of a death or end) happening too soon or sooner than normal. <i>Dave s <b>untimely</b> return.</i>

