

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

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The synonyms of “Heretic” are: misbeliever, religious outcast, dissident, dissenter, nonconformist, apostate, freethinker, iconoclast, schismatic, renegade, disruptor, critic, sceptic, questioner

Heretic as a Noun

Definitions of "Heretic" as a noun

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

- *A person believing in or practising religious heresy.*
- *A person who holds religious beliefs in conflict with the dogma of the Roman Catholic Church.*
- *A person holding an opinion at odds with what is generally accepted.*
- *A person who holds unorthodox opinions in any field (not merely religion).*

Synonyms of "Heretic" as a noun (14 Words)

[apostate](#)

A disloyal person who betrays or deserts his cause or religion or political party or friend etc.

*After fifty years as an **apostate** he returned to the faith.*

[critic](#)

A person who is professionally engaged in the analysis and interpretation of works of art.

***Critics** of the new legislation say it is too broad.*

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| disruptor | A person or thing that interrupts an event, activity, or process by causing a disturbance or problem. <i>The film follows his evolution from Hollywood star to political disruptor.</i> |
| dissenter | A person who dissents. |
| <u>dissident</u> | A person who opposes official policy, especially that of an authoritarian state. <i>A dissident who had been jailed by a military regime.</i> |
| freethinker | A person who believes that God created the universe and then abandoned it. |
| iconoclast | A destroyer of images used in religious worship. |
| misbeliever | A person who holds religious beliefs in conflict with the dogma of the Roman Catholic Church. |
| nonconformist | Someone who refuses to conform to established standards of conduct. <i>Jenkins was a nonconformist who disdained the rugby union coaching certificate.</i> |
| <u>questioner</u> | A person who asks questions, especially in an official context. <i>Questioners of the decisions of the church.</i> |
| religious outcast | A member of a religious order who is bound by vows of poverty and chastity and obedience. |
| <u>renegade</u> | A person who behaves in a rebelliously unconventional manner. <i>Renegades and Deserters of Heaven who renounce their God for the Favour of Man.</i> |
| sceptic | A person inclined to question or doubt accepted opinions. |
| schismatic | Especially in the Christian Church a person who promotes schism an adherent of a schismatic group. |

Associations of "Heretic" (30 Words)

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| agnostic | Of or pertaining to an agnostic or agnosticism. <i>Many common file formats JPEG MP3 etc are platform agnostic.</i> |
| atheism | The doctrine or belief that there is no God. |
| <u>atheist</u> | Someone who does not believe in the existence of a god. <i>Atheist leanings.</i> |
| atheistic | Related to or characterized by or given to atheism. <i>Some were preoccupied with God others were atheistic to the core.</i> |

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| believing | The cognitive process that leads to convictions. <i>Seeing is believing.</i> |
| bible | A book regarded as authoritative in its field. |
| deist | A person who believes that God created the universe and then abandoned it. |
| freethinker | A person who believes that God created the universe and then abandoned it. |
| gentile | Relating to or indicating a nation or clan, especially a gens. <i>Christians refer to themselves as gentiles.</i> |
| heathen | Relating to heathens. <i>Heathen practices.</i> |
| heretical | Believing in or practising religious heresy. <i>Heretical beliefs.</i> |
| heterodox | Not conforming with accepted or orthodox standards or beliefs. <i>Heterodox views.</i> |
| idol | A person or thing that is greatly admired, loved, or revered. <i>A soccer idol.</i> |
| idolater | A person who worships idols. |
| idolatry | Extreme admiration, love, or reverence for something or someone. <i>We must not allow our idolatry of art to obscure issues of political significance.</i> |
| infidel | A person who does not acknowledge your god. <i>A crusade against infidels and heretics.</i> |
| inquisition | A period of prolonged and intensive questioning. <i>She relented in her determined inquisition and offered help.</i> |
| irreligious | Indifferent or hostile to religion, or having no religious beliefs. <i>An irreligious man.</i> |
| monotheism | The doctrine or belief that there is only one God. |
| pagan | Relating to pagans or their beliefs. <i>A Muslim majority had to live in close proximity to large communities of Christians and pagans.</i> |
| pantheism | The worship or tolerance of many gods. |
| perversity | Deliberately deviating from what is good. <i>They responded with typical perversity.</i> |
| polytheism | The belief in or worship of more than one god. <i>The polytheism of the ancient Near East.</i> |
| pray | Address a deity a prophet a saint or an object of worship say a prayer. <i>Pray to the Lord.</i> |

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| proselytize | Advocate or promote (a belief or course of action). <i>Davis wanted to share his concept and proselytize his ideas.</i> |
| religion | A particular system of faith and worship. <i>He was raised in the Baptist religion.</i> |
| theism | The doctrine or belief in the existence of a God or gods. <i>There are many different forms of theism.</i> |
| tribunal | A court of justice. <i>An industrial tribunal ruled that he was unfairly dismissed.</i> |
| <u>worship</u> | The activity of worshipping. <i>She adores her sons and they worship her.</i> |