

Need another word that means the same as “impending”? Find 18 synonyms and 30 related words for “impending” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Impending” are: close at hand, imminent, impendent, close, near, nearing, approaching, coming, forthcoming, upcoming, about to happen, in store, in the offing, in the pipeline, in the air, in the wind, threatening, menacing**

## Impending as an Adjective

### Definitions of "Impending" as an adjective

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

- *(of an event regarded as threatening or significant) about to happen; forthcoming.*
- *Close in time; about to occur.*



## Synonyms of "Impending" as an adjective (18 Words)

<b>about to happen</b>	On the move.
<b>approaching</b>	Of the relatively near future. <i>The <b>approaching</b> election.</i>
<b>close</b>	Fitting closely but comfortably. <i>She finished a <b>close</b> second.</i>
<b>close at hand</b>	Giving or spending with reluctance.
<b>coming</b>	Likely to be important or successful in the future. <i>The <b>upcoming</b> spring fashions.</i>
<b>forthcoming</b>	About to happen or appear. <i>She had never been <b>forthcoming</b> about her time in the States.</i>
<b>imminent</b>	Close in time; about to occur. <i>They were in <b>imminent</b> danger of being swept away.</i>
<b>impending</b>	Close in time; about to occur.

<b>in store</b>	Currently fashionable.
<b>in the air</b>	Currently fashionable.
<b>in the offing</b>	Directed or bound inward.
<b>in the pipeline</b>	Currently fashionable.
<b>in the wind</b>	Directed or bound inward.
<b><u>menacing</u></b>	Suggesting the presence of danger; threatening. <i>Our officers encountered <b>menacing</b> looks from teenagers.</i>
<b>near</b>	Located on the nearside of a vehicle. <i>The conflict is unlikely to be resolved in the <b>near</b> future.</i>
<b>nearing</b>	Being on the left side.
<b>threatening</b>	Threatening or foreshadowing evil or tragic developments. <i>She was a type he found <b>threatening</b>.</i>
<b>upcoming</b>	Of the relatively near future. <i>The <b>upcoming</b> spring fashions.</i>

## Usage Examples of "Impending" as an adjective

- *A fortune teller with dire warnings about impending doom.*
- *The author had returned to his country ahead of the impending war.*
- *His impending retirement.*
- *My impending departure.*

## Associations of "Impending" (30 Words)

<b>contiguous</b>	Very close or connected in space or time. <i>The <b>contiguous</b> 48 states.</i>
<b>corollary</b>	(logic) an inference that follows directly from the proof of another proposition. <i>The court did not answer a <b>corollary</b> question.</i>
<b>currently</b>	At the present time. <i><b>Currently</b> they live in Connecticut.</i>
<b>disaster</b>	An event or fact that has unfortunate consequences. <i><b>Disaster</b> struck within minutes of take off.</i>
<b><u>doom</u></b>	Cause to have an unfortunate and inescapable outcome. <i>Fuel was spilling out of the damaged wing and the aircraft was <b>doomed</b>.</i>

<b>exigency</b>	A sudden unforeseen crisis (usually involving danger) that requires immediate action. <i>The health care <b>exigency</b>.</i>
<b><u>exigent</u></b>	Pressing; demanding. <i>Regarded literary questions as <b>exigent</b> and momentous.</i>
<b>extemporaneous</b>	Spoken or done without preparation. <i>An <b>extemporaneous</b> piano recital.</i>
<b>extempore</b>	With little or no preparation or forethought. <i>He recited the poem <b>extempore</b>.</i>
<b>extemporize</b>	Manage in a makeshift way; do with whatever is at hand. <i>He <b>extemporized</b> at the piano.</i>
<b><u>forewarn</u></b>	Inform (someone) of a possible future danger or problem. <i>He had been <b>forewarned</b> of a coup plot.</i>
<b>immediate</b>	Immediately before or after as in a chain of cause and effect. <i>The <b>immediate</b> concern was how to avoid taxes.</i>
<b>immediately</b>	In direct or very close relation. <i>I rang <b>immediately</b> for an ambulance.</i>
<b>imminent</b>	Overhanging. <i>They were in <b>imminent</b> danger of being swept away.</i>
<b><u>impromptu</u></b>	Done without being planned, organized, or rehearsed. <i>An <b>impromptu</b> press conference.</i>
<b><u>improvise</u></b>	Perform without preparation. <i>I <b>improvised</b> a costume for myself out of an old blue dress.</i>
<b>improvised</b>	Done or made using whatever is available; makeshift. <i>An <b>improvised</b> short speech.</i>
<b><u>instant</u></b>	Instant coffee. <i>The offence justified <b>instant</b> dismissal.</i>
<b>instantaneous</b>	Occurring or done instantly. <i>Her reaction was almost <b>instantaneous</b>.</i>
<b><u>instantly</u></b>	At once; immediately. <i>She fell asleep almost <b>instantly</b>.</i>
<b>now</b>	In these times. <i>I didn't receive the letter but it hardly matters <b>now</b>.</i>
<b>presently</b>	After a short time; soon. <i>He is <b>presently</b> our ambassador to the United Nations.</i>
<b>pressing</b>	Expressing something strongly or persistently. <i>At the <b>pressing</b> of a button.</i>

<b>prompt</b>	The time limit for the payment of an account stated on a prompt note. <i>She is always <b>prompt</b> to help her friends.</i>
<b><u>promptly</u></b>	In a punctual manner. <i>He <b>promptly</b> forgot the address.</i>
<b>resumption</b>	Beginning again. <i>Property <b>resumptions</b> would be required to develop the bus routes.</i>
<b><u>soon</u></b>	Early. <i>I d <b>sooner</b> stay where I am.</i>
<b>speedily</b>	With speed. <i>Your claim will be dealt with as <b>speedily</b> as possible.</i>
<b><u>swiftly</u></b>	Without delay; after a very short time. <i>A <b>swiftly</b> flowing river.</i>
<b>urgent</b>	Of an action or event done or arranged in response to an urgent situation. <i>Bridges in <b>urgent</b> need of repair.</i>