

Need another word that means the same as “improvise”? Find 20 synonyms and 30 related words for “improvise” in this overview.

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Improvise as a Verb

Definitions of "Improvise" as a verb

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

- *Manage in a makeshift way; do with whatever is at hand.*
- *Produce or make (something) from whatever is available.*
- *Perform without preparation.*
- *Create and perform (music, drama, or verse) spontaneously or without preparation.*



Synonyms of "Improvise" as a verb (20 Words)

ad-lib

Perform without preparation.

concoct

Make a concoction of by mixing.

*His cronies **concocted** a simple plan.*

contrive

Put or send forth.

*You **contrived** to be alone with me despite the supervision.*

devise

Arrange by systematic planning and united effort.

*A training programme should be **devised**.*

devised

Arrange by systematic planning and united effort.

extemporise

Perform without preparation.

extemporize

Perform without preparation.

*He **extemporized** a speech at the wedding.*

extemporized

improvize

**make it up as one goes
along**

on the spot

put together

rig

rigged

rough and ready

speak impromptu

take it as it comes

think on one's feet

throw together

thrown together

Manage in a makeshift way; do with whatever is at hand.

Perform without preparation.

Create or manufacture a man-made product.

Mar or impair with a flaw.

Adapt.

Provide a sailing boat with sails and rigging.

*The power plant of the lifeboat had been **rigged** to explode.*

Arrange the outcome of by means of deceit.

Prepare in preliminary or sketchy form.

Use language.

Make use of or accept for some purpose.

Be capable of conscious thought.

Put or send forth.

Organize or be responsible for.



Usage Examples of "Improvise" as a verb

- *He was improvising to a backing of guitar chords.*
- *I improvised a costume for myself out of an old blue dress.*
- *He invited actors to improvise dialogue.*
- *After the hurricane destroyed our house, we had to improvise for weeks.*



Associations of "Improvise" (30 Words)

compose

Calm (someone, especially oneself); make quiet.
*The National Congress is **composed** of ten senators.*

contiguous

Sharing a common border; touching.
*Five hundred **contiguous** dictionary entries.*

corollary

(logic) an inference that follows directly from the proof of another proposition.
*The court did not answer a **corollary** question.*

exigent

Demanding attention.
*Became more **exigent** over his pronunciation.*

extemporaneous	With little or no preparation or forethought. <i>An extemporaneous piano recital.</i>
extempore	Without prior preparation. <i>He recited the poem extempore.</i>
extemporize	Manage in a makeshift way; do with whatever is at hand. <i>He extemporized a speech at the wedding.</i>
immediate	Immediately before or after as in a chain of cause and effect. <i>No changes are envisaged in the immediate future.</i>
immediately	Near or close by. <i>She was sitting immediately behind me.</i>
imminent	Overhanging. <i>They were in imminent danger of being swept away.</i>
<u>impending</u>	(of an event regarded as threatening or significant) about to happen; forthcoming. <i>The author had returned to his country ahead of the impending war.</i>
<u>impromptu</u>	An extemporaneous speech or remark. <i>A witty impromptu must not sound premeditated.</i>
improvised	Done or made using whatever is available; makeshift. <i>We slept on improvised beds.</i>
impulsively	In an impulsive or impetuous way; without taking cautions. <i>He often acts impulsively and later regrets it.</i>
<u>instant</u>	Instant coffee. <i>The offence justified instant dismissal.</i>
instantaneous	Existing or measured at a particular instant. <i>Modern methods of instantaneous communication.</i>
<u>instantly</u>	Urgently or persistently. <i>She fell asleep almost instantly.</i>
now	The momentary present. <i>Run along now.</i>
offhand	Ungraciously or offensively nonchalant or cool in manner. <i>Offhand excuses.</i>
oratory	Addressing an audience formally (usually a long and rhetorical address and often pompous). <i>He loved the sound of his own oratory.</i>
pressing	Expressing something strongly or persistently. <i>Pure grade olive oil is the product of the second or third pressings.</i>

prompt	The time limit for the payment of an account stated on a prompt note. <i>The audience could hear his prompting.</i>
<u>promptly</u>	At once (usually modifies an undesirable occurrence). <i>Jamie arrived promptly at 8 30.</i>
quick	At a fast rate quickly. <i>Children like to see quick results from their efforts.</i>
quickly	With speed. <i>Reg s illness progressed frighteningly quickly.</i>
song	A musical composition suggestive of a song. <i>The song of the wind.</i>
speedily	With speed. <i>Your claim will be dealt with as speedily as possible.</i>
<u>spontaneous</u>	(of a plant) growing naturally and without being tended or cultivated. <i>A spontaneous display of affection.</i>
spontaneously	Without apparent external cause or stimulus. <i>Mutations can occur spontaneously.</i>
<u>swiftly</u>	At high speed; quickly. <i>She got up and walked swiftly to the door.</i>

