

Need another word that means the same as “indispensable”? Find 26 synonyms and 30 related words for “indispensable” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Indispensable” are: essential, crucial, necessary, key, vital, needed, required, requisite, important, all-important, vitally important, of the utmost importance, of great consequence, critical, imperative, mandatory, compulsory, obligatory, compelling, urgent, pressing, burning, acute, paramount, significant, consequential

Indispensable as an Adjective

Definitions of "Indispensable" as an adjective

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

- *Absolutely necessary.*
- *Not to be dispensed with; essential.*
- *Unavoidable.*
- *Absolutely necessary; vitally necessary.*

Synonyms of "Indispensable" as an adjective (26 Words)

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| acute | Denoting or designed for patients with an acute form of a disease. <i>Acute patients.</i> |
| all-important | Of the greatest importance. |
| burning | Very keenly or deeply felt; intense. <i>Pension reform is still a burning issue.</i> |

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| <u>compelling</u> | Not able to be resisted; overwhelming. <i>The temptation to give up was compelling.</i> |
| <u>compulsory</u> | Required by rule. <i>It was compulsory to attend mass.</i> |
| <u>consequential</u> | Important; significant. <i>Consequential damages.</i> |
| critical | Of or involving or characteristic of critics or criticism. <i>The floodwaters had not receded and the situation was still critical.</i> |
| crucial | Having crucial relevance. <i>A crucial issue for women.</i> |
| essential | Absolutely necessary; extremely important. <i>It is essential to keep up to date records.</i> |
| <u>imperative</u> | Relating to verbs in the imperative mood. <i>Requests that grew more and more imperative.</i> |
| important | Important in effect or meaning. <i>Recited the decree with an important air.</i> |
| key | Of crucial importance. <i>She became a key figure in the suffragette movement.</i> |
| mandatory | Required by law or mandate; compulsory. <i>Wearing helmets was made mandatory for pedal cyclists.</i> |
| necessary | Absolutely essential. <i>They granted the necessary planning permission.</i> |
| <u>needed</u> | Necessary for relief or supply. |
| obligatory | So customary or fashionable as to be expected of everyone or on every occasion. <i>A sovereign whose laws are obligatory.</i> |
| of great consequence | Remarkable or out of the ordinary in degree or magnitude or effect. |
| of the utmost importance | Most remote in space or time or order. |
| <u>paramount</u> | More important than anything else; supreme. <i>A paramount chief.</i> |
| pressing | Expressing something strongly or persistently. <i>A pressing invitation.</i> |
| required | Required by rule. <i>Required reading.</i> |

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| requisite | Necessary for relief or supply. <i>The application will not be processed until the requisite fee is paid.</i> |
| significant | Sufficiently great or important to be worthy of attention; noteworthy. <i>No significant difference was found.</i> |
| urgent | Of an action or event done or arranged in response to an urgent situation. <i>The urgent words Hurry Hurry.</i> |
| vital | Absolutely necessary; essential. <i>Of vital interest.</i> |
| vitaly important | Full of spirit. |

Usage Examples of "Indispensable" as an adjective

- *An indispensable worker.*
- *Foods indispensable to good nutrition.*
- *He made himself indispensable to the parish priest.*
- *The routine but indispensable ceremonies of state.*

Associations of "Indispensable" (30 Words)

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| basic | The essential facts or principles of a subject or skill. <i>A basic course in Russian.</i> |
| central | At the point or in the area that is in the middle of something. <i>The station has a central courtyard.</i> |
| constitutive | Forming an essential element of something. <i>The state began to exercise a new and constitutive function.</i> |
| crucial | Having crucial relevance. <i>Crucial to the case.</i> |
| elements | Violent or severe weather viewed as caused by the action of the four elements. <i>They felt the full fury of the elements.</i> |
| essential | Of the greatest importance. <i>Essential hypertension.</i> |

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| importantly | Used to emphasize a significant point. <i>More importantly Weber held that the manifold meaning attached to the event by the social scientist could alter his definition of the concrete event itself.</i> |
| indispensability | The quality possessed by something that you cannot possibly do without. |
| inevitable | Invariably occurring or appearing. <i>War was inevitable.</i> |
| integral | The result of a mathematical integration $F(x)$ is the integral of $f(x)$ if $dF = f(x) dx$. <i>A local motion keepeth bodies integral.</i> |
| key | Vandalize a car by scratching the sides with a key. <i>Ewing keyed a 73 35 advantage on the boards with twenty rebounds.</i> |
| main | Most important element. <i>By main strength.</i> |
| meaningful | Communicating something that is not directly expressed. <i>A meaningful explanation.</i> |
| must | A necessary or essential thing. <i>There must be something wrong.</i> |
| necessarily | In such a manner as could not be otherwise. <i>It is necessarily so.</i> |
| necessary | The basic requirements of life, such as food and warmth. <i>The necessary consequences of one's actions.</i> |
| necessity | A condition that cannot be otherwise, or a statement asserting this. <i>The necessity of growing old.</i> |
| need | Have need of. <i>A general state of need exists among the homeless.</i> |
| needs | Of necessity. <i>We must needs by objective.</i> |
| perforce | Used to express necessity or inevitability. <i>Amateurs perforce have to settle for less expensive solutions.</i> |
| prerequisite | Something that is required in advance. <i>Sponsorship is not a prerequisite for any of our courses.</i> |
| primary | Of primary importance. <i>Primary sources.</i> |
| required | Required by rule. <i>The corset the garment that ensured the required female shape.</i> |

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| requisite | Made necessary by particular circumstances or regulations. <i>The application will not be processed until the requisite fee is paid.</i> |
| <u>staple</u> | Secure or fasten with a staple or staples. <i>Wheat is a staple crop.</i> |
| <u>substantial</u> | Strongly built or made. <i>Won by a substantial margin.</i> |
| <u>substantive</u> | Having a firm basis in reality and so important, meaningful, or considerable. <i>There is no substantive evidence for the efficacy of these drugs.</i> |
| <u>unavoidable</u> | Impossible to avoid or evade. <i>The natural and unavoidable consequences of growing old.</i> |
| <u>underlying</u> | Being or involving basic facts or principles. <i>An underlying meaning.</i> |
| <u>vital</u> | Full of spirit. <i>A vital and charismatic leader.</i> |