

Need another word that means the same as “indulgent”? Find 22 synonyms and 30 related words for “indulgent” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Indulgent” are: lenient, soft, permissive, broad-minded, liberal, tolerant, forgiving, forbearing, merciful, clement, mild, humane, kind, kindly, caring, compassionate, understanding, sympathetic, hedonistic, sybaritic, luxurious, epicurean

Indulgent as an Adjective

Definitions of "Indulgent" as an adjective

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

- *Being favorably inclined.*
- *Having or indicating a readiness or over-readiness to be generous to or lenient with someone.*
- *Characterized by or given to yielding to the wishes of someone.*
- *Tolerant or lenient.*
- *Self-indulgent.*



Synonyms of "Indulgent" as an adjective (22 Words)

broad-minded	Incapable of being shocked.
caring	Displaying kindness and concern for others. <i>A caring and invaluable friend.</i>
clement	Inclined to show mercy. <i>It is a very clement day.</i>
compassionate	Feeling or showing sympathy and concern for others. <i>She tried to sound compassionate.</i>
epicurean	Of Epicurus or epicureanism. <i>An epicurean banquet.</i>
forbearing	Patient and restrained. <i>He proved to be remarkably forbearing whenever I was impatient or angry.</i>
forgiving	(of a thing) easy or safe to deal with. <i>Snow is a forgiving surface on which to fall.</i>

hedonistic	Devoted to pleasure. <i>Lives of unending hedonistic delight.</i>
<u>humane</u>	Inflicting the minimum of pain. <i>Regulations ensuring the humane treatment of animals.</i>
kind	Tolerant and forgiving under provocation. <i>Thanked her for her kind letter.</i>
<u>kindly</u>	Pleasant and agreeable. <i>Kindly criticism.</i>
<u>lenient</u>	Tolerant or lenient. <i>Lenient rules.</i>
<u>liberal</u>	(in a political context) favouring policies that are socially progressive and promote social welfare. <i>They could have given the 1968 Act a more liberal interpretation.</i>
<u>luxurious</u>	Displaying luxury and furnishing gratification to the senses. <i>A luxurious wallow in a scented bath.</i>
merciful	(used conventionally of royalty and high nobility) gracious. <i>Her death was a merciful release.</i>
<u>mild</u>	Mild and pleasant. <i>A mild winter storm.</i>
permissive	Not preventive. <i>The Hague Convention was permissive not mandatory.</i>
soft	Used chiefly as a direction or description in music soft in a quiet subdued tone. <i>He was too soft for the army.</i>
sybaritic	Displaying luxury and furnishing gratification to the senses. <i>A chinchilla robe of sybaritic lavishness.</i>
<u>sympathetic</u>	Relating to or denoting the part of the autonomic nervous system consisting of nerves arising from ganglia near the middle part of the spinal cord supplying the internal organs blood vessels and glands and balancing the action of the parasympathetic nerves. <i>Sympathetic to the students cause.</i>
<u>tolerant</u>	Tolerant and forgiving under provocation. <i>The plant is tolerant of saltwater.</i>
understanding	Characterized by understanding based on comprehension and discernment and empathy. <i>People expect their doctor to be understanding.</i>



Usage Examples of "Indulgent" as an adjective

- *Indulgent parents risk spoiling their children.*
- *An indulgent attitude.*
- *Indulgent grandparents.*
- *Indulgent parents.*
- *Sheer indulgent nostalgia.*



Associations of "Indulgent" (30 Words)

decadent

A person who has fallen into a decadent state morally or artistically.
A **decadent** soak in a scented bath.

effete

Affected, overrefined, and effeminate.
Fundamentalism has flowered because it has concluded that liberalism is **effete** ineffectual and impoverished.

epicurean

Of Epicurus or epicureanism.
An **epicurean** banquet.

forbearing

Showing patient and unruffled self-control and restraint under adversity; slow to retaliate or express resentment.
Seemly and **forbearing** yet strong enough to resist aggression.

generous

More than adequate.
Unusually **generous** in his judgment of people.

gluttonous	Given to excess in consumption of especially food or drink. <i>A gluttonous appetite for food and praise and pleasure.</i>
hedonic	Relating to, characterized by, or considered in terms of pleasant (or unpleasant) sensations. <i>A hedonic thrill.</i>
hedonist	A person who believes that the pursuit of pleasure is the most important thing in life; a pleasure-seeker. <i>She was living the life of a committed hedonist.</i>
hedonistic	Engaged in the pursuit of pleasure; sensually self-indulgent. <i>Lives of unending hedonistic delight.</i>
immoral	Not conforming to accepted standards of morality. <i>Unseemly and immoral behaviour.</i>
<u>indulge</u>	Treat with excessive indulgence. <i>She was able to indulge a growing passion for literature.</i>
<u>leniency</u>	Mercifulness as a consequence of being lenient or tolerant. <i>The court could show leniency.</i>
<u>lenient</u>	Tolerant or lenient. <i>Lenient rules.</i>
<u>let</u>	Used to express one's strong desire for something to happen or be the case. <i>Let s have a drink.</i>
<u>loose</u>	Turn loose or free from restraint. <i>Pockets bulging with loose change.</i>
merciful	Gracious (used conventionally of royalty and high nobility). <i>Her death was a merciful release.</i>
narcissism	Selfishness, involving a sense of entitlement, a lack of empathy, and a need for admiration, as characterizing a personality type.
permissive	Allowing the infection and replication of viruses. <i>In vivo viral expression is restricted but in vitro cultured cells are permissive.</i>
permissiveness	Great or excessive freedom of behaviour. <i>A new age of sexual permissiveness.</i>
pleasure	Sexual gratification. <i>She smiled with pleasure at being praised.</i>
promiscuity	The fact or state of being promiscuous. <i>Some fear this will lead to greater sexual promiscuity amongst teens.</i>
redundance	The attribute of being superfluous and unneeded.

redundancy	The state of being not or no longer needed or useful. <i>The use of industrial robots created redundancy among workers.</i>
<u>remiss</u>	Failing in what duty requires. <i>Remiss of you not to pay your bills.</i>
superfluity	Extreme excess. <i>Servants who had nothing to do but to display their own superfluity.</i>
<u>tolerant</u>	Tolerant and forgiving under provocation. <i>Rye is reasonably tolerant of drought.</i>
uncivil	Lacking civility or good manners. <i>Want nothing from you but to get away from your uncivil tongue.</i>
venereal	Relating to venereal disease. <i>Venereal disease.</i>
voluptuary	Displaying luxury and furnishing gratification to the senses. <i>A voluptuary decade when high living was in style.</i>
<u>voluptuous</u>	Curvaceous and sexually attractive (typically used of a woman). <i>Lucullus spent the remainder of his days in voluptuous magnificence.</i>

