

Need another word that means the same as “inflict”? Find 12 synonyms and 30 related words for “inflict” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Inflict” are: bring down, impose, visit, administer to, deal out to, serve out to, deliver to, apply to, force, press, thrust, foist**

## Inflict as a Verb

### Definitions of "Inflict" as a verb

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

- *Cause (something unpleasant or painful) to be suffered by someone or something.*
- *Impose something unpleasant.*
- *Impose something unwelcome on.*

### Synonyms of "Inflict" as a verb (12 Words)

<b>administer to</b>	Perform (a church sacrament) ritually.
<b>apply to</b>	Apply to a surface.
<b>bring down</b>	Take something or somebody with oneself somewhere.
<b>deal out to</b>	Distribute cards to the players in a game.
<b>deliver to</b>	Hand over to the authorities of another country.
<b>foist</b>	Impose an unwelcome or unnecessary person or thing on. <i>He <b>foisted</b> his work on me.</i>
<b>force</b>	Force into or from an action or state either physically or metaphorically. <i>They <b>forced</b> a way through the crowd.</i>

<b>impose</b>	Impose and collect. <i>Social relations <b>impose</b> courtesy.</i>
<b>press</b>	Manufacture something especially a record by moulding under pressure. <i>He <b>pressed</b> his face to the glass.</i>
<b>serve out to</b>	Be used by; as of a utility.
<b>visit</b>	Pay a brief visit. <i>The governor <b>visited</b> the prison.</i>

## Usage Examples of "Inflict" as a verb

- *They inflicted serious injuries on three other men.*
- *She is wrong to inflict her beliefs on everyone else.*

## Associations of "Inflict" (30 Words)

<b>abrasion</b>	An abraded area where the skin is torn or worn off. <i>The metal is resistant to <b>abrasion</b>.</i>
<b>ache</b>	Feel intense sadness or compassion. <i>The <b>ache</b> in her head worsened.</i>
<b>aching</b>	A dull persistent (usually moderately intense) pain. <i>The cool air was a relief to my <b>aching</b> head.</i>
<b>amnesia</b>	Partial or total loss of memory. <i>They were suffering from <b>amnesia</b>.</i>
<b>bleeding</b>	The flow of blood from a ruptured blood vessel. <i>The watch was a <b>bleeding</b> copy.</i>
<b>bruise</b>	Inflict a bruise or bruises on a part of the body. <i>The fall <b>bruised</b> several of the ripest bananas.</i>
<b>concussion</b>	A violent shock as from a heavy blow. <i>Nothing more serious than a mild <b>concussion</b>.</i>
<b>contusion</b>	The action of bruising. <i>A dark <b>contusion</b> on his cheek was beginning to swell.</i>
<b>damage</b>	Inflict damage upon. <i>The <b>damage</b> to his reputation was considerable.</i>
<b>dementia</b>	Mental deterioration of organic or functional origin.
<b>hurt</b>	Hurt the feelings of. <i>Does acupuncture <b>hurt</b>.</i>
<b>hypochondria</b>	Chronic and abnormal anxiety about imaginary symptoms and ailments.

<b><u>impair</u></b>	Make worse or less effective. <i>His vision was <b>impaired</b>.</i>
<b><u>impairment</u></b>	The occurrence of a change for the worse. <i>A speech <b>impairment</b>.</i>
<b>impose</b>	Impose something unpleasant. <i>Social relations <b>impose</b> courtesy.</i>
<b>injure</b>	Do physical harm or damage to (someone). <i>He <b>injured</b> his back helping the girl.</i>
<b>injured</b>	Offended. <i><b>Injured</b> soldiers.</i>
<b>injurious</b>	(of language) maliciously insulting; libellous. <i>Food which is <b>injurious</b> to health.</i>
<b>injury</b>	Damage to a person's feelings. <i>An ankle <b>injury</b>.</i>
<b>lacerate</b>	Having edges that are jagged from injury. <i><b>Lacerate</b> leaves.</i>
<b>marred</b>	Blemished by injury or rough wear. <i>Walls <b>marred</b> by graffiti.</i>
<b><u>misery</u></b>	A person who is constantly miserable or discontented. <i>The <b>misery</b> and wretchedness of those slums is intolerable.</i>
<b>pain</b>	Cause mental or physical pain to. <i>It <b>pains</b> me to say this.</i>
<b><u>scarred</u></b>	Deeply affected or marked by mental or physical pain or injury. <i>Could her <b>scarred</b> mind ever be free of fear.</i>
<b>splitting</b>	Resembling a sound of violent tearing as of something ripped apart or lightning splitting a tree. <i>I woke up with a <b>splitting</b> headache.</i>
<b>suffer</b>	Undergo or suffer. <i>He <b>suffered</b> the penalty.</i>
<b>suffering</b>	Psychological suffering. <i>Weapons that cause unnecessary <b>suffering</b>.</i>
<b><u>trauma</u></b>	Emotional shock following a stressful event or a physical injury, which may lead to long-term neurosis. <i>The event is relived with all the accompanying <b>trauma</b>.</i>
<b>twinge</b>	A sharp stab of pain. <i>He felt a <b>twinge</b> in his knee.</i>

**vitiate**

Destroy or impair the legal validity of.

*The insurance is **vitiated** because of foolish acts on the part of the tenant.*