

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

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The synonyms of “Insinuate” are: **adumbrate, intimate, imply, suggest, hint, whisper, indicate, convey the impression, give a clue, give an inkling, allude to the fact, make reference to the fact, let it be known, give someone to understand, give someone to believe, slide, slip, manoeuvre, insert, edge, work, move into position, worm one's way into, work one's way into, ingratiate oneself with, curry favour with**

## Insinuate as a Verb

### Definitions of "Insinuate" as a verb

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

- *Introduce or insert (oneself) in a subtle manner.*
- *Slide (oneself or a thing) slowly and smoothly into a particular place.*
- *Suggest or hint (something bad) in an indirect and unpleasant way.*
- *Give to understand.*
- *Manoeuvre oneself into (a favourable position) by subtle manipulation.*

### Synonyms of "Insinuate" as a verb (26 Words)

<b>adumbrate</b>	Indicate faintly. <i>The walls were only <b>adumbrated</b> by the meagre light.</i>
<b>allude to the fact</b>	Make a more or less disguised reference to.
<b>convey the impression</b>	Take something or somebody with oneself somewhere.
<b>curry favour with</b>	Season with a mixture of spices; typical of Indian cooking.

<b>edge</b>	Provide with an edge. <i><b>Edge</b> the tablecloth with embroidery.</i>
<b>give a clue</b>	Proffer (a body part).
<b>give an inkling</b>	Give food to.
<b>give someone to believe</b>	Give (as medicine).
<b>give someone to understand</b>	Perform for an audience.
<b>hint</b>	Drop a hint intimate by a hint. <i>He <b>hinted</b> that the sale might be delayed.</i>
<b><u>imply</u></b>	Have as a logical consequence. <i>Salesmen who use jargon to <b>imply</b> superior knowledge.</i>
<b>indicate</b>	Indicate a place direction person or thing either spatially or figuratively. <i>Sales <b>indicate</b> a growing market for such art.</i>
<b>ingratiate oneself with</b>	Gain favor with somebody by deliberate efforts.
<b><u>insert</u></b>	Insert casually. <i>The muscle that raises the wing is <b>inserted</b> on the dorsal surface of the humerus.</i>
<b>intimate</b>	Give to understand.
<b>let it be known</b>	Leave unchanged.
<b>make reference to the fact</b>	Give certain properties to something.
<b>manoeuvre</b>	Carefully guide or manipulate (someone or something) in order to achieve an end. <i>She tried to <b>manoeuvre</b> her trolley round people.</i>
<b>move into position</b>	Dispose of by selling.
<b><u>slide</u></b>	To pass or move unobtrusively or smoothly. <i>She slid down the bank into the water.</i>
<b>slip</b>	Fail to grip or make proper contact with a surface. <i>Many people feel standards have <b>slipped</b>.</i>
<b><u>suggest</u></b>	Suggest the necessity of an intervention in medicine. <i>Are you <b>suggesting</b> that I should ignore her.</i>
<b><u>whisper</u></b>	Be rumoured. <i>Alison was <b>whispering</b> in his ear.</i>
<b>work</b>	Exert oneself by doing mental or physical work for a purpose or out of necessity. <i>Jane is <b>working</b> you too hard.</i>

<b>work one's way into</b>	Proceed along a path.
<b>worm one's way into</b>	To move in a twisting or contorted motion, (especially when struggling).

## Usage Examples of "Insinuate" as a verb

- *He insinuated himself into the king's confidence.*
- *He insinuated himself into the conversation of the people at the nearby table.*
- *He was insinuating that I had no self-control.*
- *I insinuated my shoulder in the gap.*
- *I insinuated that I did not like his wife.*

## Associations of "Insinuate" (30 Words)

<b>advert</b>	An advertisement.
<b><u>allude</u></b>	Make a more or less disguised reference to. <i>He <b>alluded</b> to the problem but did not mention it.</i>
<b>bespeak</b>	Speak to. <i>The defendant's insurers took steps to <b>bespeak</b> his medical records.</i>
<b>comment</b>	Turn part of a program into a comment so that the computer ignores it when running the program. <i>You asked for <b>comments</b> on the new proposals.</i>
<b>connote</b>	(of a fact) imply as a consequence or condition. <i>The term modern science usually <b>connotes</b> a complete openness to empirical testing.</i>
<b>cue</b>	Sports implement consisting of a tapering rod used to strike a cue ball in pool or billiards. <i>Ros and Guil <b>cued</b> by Hamlet also bow deeply.</i>
<b><u>denote</u></b>	Be a sign or indication of. <i>This mark <b>denotes</b> purity and quality.</i>
<b>describe</b>	Make a mark or lines on a surface. <i>He <b>described</b> his experiences in a letter to his parents.</i>
<b><u>distort</u></b>	Pull or twist out of shape. <i>You're <b>distorting</b> the sound by overdriving the amp.</i>
<b>embroil</b>	Involve (someone) deeply in an argument, conflict, or difficult situation. <i>What merit do you claim for having <b>embroiled</b> everything in which you are concerned.</i>

<b><u>entail</u></b>	A property bequeathed under an entail. <i>The damage being done in England by <b>entails</b>.</i>
<b>entangle</b>	Entrap. <i>They were suspicious of becoming <b>entangled</b> in a civil war.</i>
<b>hint</b>	Drop a hint intimate by a hint. <i>Handy <b>hints</b> on saving energy in your home.</i>
<b><u>implicit</u></b>	Suggested though not directly expressed. <i>Comments seen as <b>implicit</b> criticism of the policies.</i>
<b><u>imply</u></b>	Suggest as a logically necessary consequence; in logic. <i>Salesmen who use jargon to <b>imply</b> superior knowledge.</i>
<b>indicate</b>	Indicate a place direction person or thing either spatially or figuratively. <i>He <b>indicated</b> Cindy with a brief nod of the head.</i>
<b>ironical</b>	Humorously sarcastic or mocking. <i>An <b>ironical</b> smile.</i>
<b>mean</b>	Mean or intend to express or convey. <i>Famous for a <b>mean</b> backhand.</i>
<b>overstate</b>	To enlarge beyond bounds or the truth. <i>I <b>overstated</b> my case to make my point.</i>
<b>overtone</b>	A subtle or subsidiary quality, implication, or connotation. <i>The decision may have political <b>overtones</b>.</i>
<b><u>refer</u></b>	Make reference to. <i>She was <b>referred</b> to a clinical psychologist for counselling.</i>
<b>remark</b>	A written or spoken comment. <i>He <b>remarked</b> the man s inflamed eyelids.</i>
<b>remind</b>	Cause (someone) to fulfil an obligation or to take note of something. <i>His impassive fierce stare <b>reminded</b> her of an owl.</i>
<b>saying</b>	A collection of short, pithy expressions identified with a particular person, especially a political or religious leader. <i>This is stated in the <b>sayings</b> of the Prophet.</i>
<b>signal</b>	Be a signal for or a symptom of. <i>The diner <b>signaled</b> the waiters to bring the menu.</i>
<b><u>signify</u></b>	(of a person) indicate or declare (a feeling or intention). <i>The locked door doesn t necessarily <b>signify</b>.</i>
<b><u>suggest</u></b>	Suggest the necessity of an intervention in medicine. <i>Finds of lead coffins <b>suggested</b> a cemetery north of the river.</i>
<b>suggestion</b>	An idea or belief accepted by a person as a result of suggestion. <i>There was a <b>suggestion</b> of a smile on his lips.</i>

**tangle**

Tangle or complicate.

*The broom somehow got **tangled** up in my long skirt.*

**unknowingly**

Without knowledge or intention.

*The Minister perhaps **unknowingly** misled Parliament.*