

Need another word that means the same as “insist”? Find 52 synonyms and 30 related words for “insist” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Insist” are: importune, take a firm stand, assert, stand firm, be firm, stand one's ground, make a stand, stand up for oneself, be resolute, be determined, show determination, hold on, hold out, be emphatic, not take no for an answer, brook no refusal, demand, command, require, dictate, call for, ask for, request, press for, push for, hold out for, bay for, insist on, stipulate, make a condition of, exact, impose, maintain, hold, contend, argue, protest, claim, aver, avow, vow, swear, state, declare, announce, pronounce, proclaim, propound, emphasize, stress, repeat, reiterate

Insist as a Verb

Definitions of "Insist" as a verb

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

- *Demand something forcefully, not accepting refusal.*
- *State positively and assertively.*
- *Beg persistently and urgently.*
- *Postulate positively and assertively.*
- *Be emphatic or resolute and refuse to budge.*
- *Assert to be true.*
- *Demand forcefully to have (something).*
- *Persist in (doing something).*



Synonyms of "Insist" as a verb (52 Words)

announce	Make known make an announcement. <i>He announced the winners of the spelling bee.</i>
argue	Give evidence of. <i>I tried to argue him out of it.</i>
ask for	Require or ask for as a price or condition.
<u>assert</u>	Assert to be true. <i>He asserted his innocence.</i>
<u>aver</u>	To declare or affirm solemnly and formally as true. <i>I don't have to do anything it's his problem he averred.</i>
avow	To declare or affirm solemnly and formally as true. <i>He avowed his change of faith.</i>
bay for	Utter in deep prolonged tones.
be determined	Be priced at.

be emphatic	Have the quality of being; (copula, used with an adjective or a predicate noun.
be firm	Have life, be alive.
be resolute	Happen, occur, take place.
brook no refusal	Put up with something or somebody unpleasant.
call for	Demand payment of (a loan.
claim	Lay claim to as of an idea. <i>Mr Smith claims special tax exemptions because he is a foreign resident.</i>
command	Be in command of. <i>They command a majority in Parliament.</i>
<u>contend</u>	Succeed in doing, achieving, or producing (something) with the limited or inadequate means available. <i>He contends that the judge was wrong.</i>
<u>declare</u>	Declare to be. <i>The president had declared for denuclearization of Europe.</i>
demand	Require; need. <i>Where is she he demanded.</i>
<u>dictate</u>	Control or decisively affect; determine. <i>He dictated a report to his secretary.</i>
emphasize	Give special importance or value to (something) in speaking or writing. <i>They emphasize the need for daily one to one contact between parent and child.</i>
<u>exact</u>	Inflict (revenge) on someone. <i>He exacted promises that another Watergate would never be allowed to happen.</i>
hold	Hold the attention of. <i>She holds a Master s degree from Harvard.</i>
hold on	Protect against a challenge or attack.
hold out	Have as a major characteristic.
hold out for	Resist or confront with resistance.
importune	Harass (someone) persistently for or to do something. <i>I importune you to help them.</i>
impose	Impose and collect. <i>Sanctions imposed on South Africa.</i>
insist on	Be emphatic or resolute and refuse to budge.

maintain	Maintain for use and service. <i>He had persistently maintained that he would not stand against his old friend.</i>
make a condition of	Undergo fabrication or creation.
make a stand	Undergo fabrication or creation.
not take no for an answer	Accept or undergo, often unwillingly.
press for	Exert oneself continuously, vigorously, or obtrusively to gain an end or engage in a crusade for a certain cause or person; be an advocate for.
<u>proclaim</u>	Say something emphatically; declare. <i>He had a rolling gait that proclaimed him a man of the sea.</i>
pronounce	Pronounce judgment on. <i>The Secretary of State will shortly pronounce on alternative measures.</i>
propound	Put forward, as of an idea. <i>He began to propound the idea of a social monarchy as an alternative to Franco.</i>
<u>protest</u>	Utter words of protest. <i>Doctors and patients protested against plans to cut services at the hospital.</i>
push for	Strive and make an effort to reach a goal.
reiterate	To say, state, or perform again. <i>He reiterated the points made in his earlier speech.</i>
<u>repeat</u>	Repeat an earlier theme of a composition. <i>Mark had to repeat first and second grades.</i>
request	Express the need or desire for. <i>The letter requested him to report to London.</i>
require	Require as useful just or proper. <i>Three patients required operations.</i>
show determination	Provide evidence for.
stand firm	Be in effect; be or remain in force.
stand one's ground	Be in some specified state or condition.
stand up for oneself	Remain inactive or immobile.
state	Express in words. <i>State your opinion.</i>

stipulate

Make an oral contract or agreement in the verbal form of question and answer that is necessary to give it legal force.
*They **stipulated** to release all the prisoners.*

stress

To stress single out as important.
*I want it done very very neatly she **stressed**.*

swear

To declare or affirm solemnly and formally as true.
*They were reluctant to **swear** allegiance.*

take a firm stand

Interpret something in a certain way; convey a particular meaning or impression.

vow

Make a vow promise.
*I **vowed** myself to this enterprise.*



Usage Examples of "Insist" as a verb

- *He insisted that she came.*
- *I must insist!*
- *He insisted on answers to his allegations.*

- *The chairman insisted that all was not doom and gloom.*
- *The heavy studded boots she insisted on wearing.*
- *'I really am all right now,' Isabel insisted.*
- *She insisted on carrying her own bag.*

Associations of "Insist" (30 Words)

advocate	Publicly recommend or support. <i>The doctor advocated a smoking ban in the entire house.</i>
<u>affirmation</u>	A solemn declaration that serves the same purpose as an oath (if an oath is objectionable to the person on religious or ethical grounds). <i>The lack of one or both parents affirmation leaves some children emotionally crippled.</i>
arguable	Able to be argued or asserted. <i>It was arguable that the bank had no authority to honour the cheques.</i>
argue	Present reasons and arguments. <i>I tried to argue him out of it.</i>
<u>assert</u>	Assert to be true. <i>He asserted his innocence.</i>
asserting	Relating to the use of or having the nature of a declaration.
assertion	A declaration that is made emphatically (as if no supporting evidence were necessary). <i>His assertion that his father had deserted the family.</i>
claim	Lay claim to as of an idea. <i>The premiums are reduced by fifty per cent if you don't claim on the policy.</i>
<u>contend</u>	Maintain or assert. <i>Factions within the government were contending for the succession to the presidency.</i>
<u>declaration</u>	A statement that is emphatic and explicit (spoken or written). <i>A declaration of independence.</i>
declaratory	Having the function of declaring or explaining something. <i>A declaratory ruling in favour of the applicants.</i>
demand	The act of demanding. <i>A demand for specialists.</i>
demur	Enter a demurrer. <i>Normally she would have accepted the challenge but she demurred.</i>

deny	Deny oneself something restrain especially from indulging in some pleasure. <i>Both firms deny any responsibility for the tragedy.</i>
disprove	Prove that (something) is false. <i>The physicist disproved his colleagues theories.</i>
dispute	Have a disagreement over something. <i>The estate disputes that it is responsible for the embankment.</i>
exaction	A sum of money exacted from someone. <i>Exaction of tribute.</i>
gainsay	Deny or contradict (a fact or statement). <i>None could gainsay her.</i>
importunate	Expressing earnest entreaty. <i>An importunate job applicant.</i>
importune	Harass (someone) persistently for or to do something. <i>The president would importune them to try harder.</i>
inadmissible	Not to be allowed or tolerated. <i>An inadmissible interference in the affairs of the Church.</i>
ingratitude	A discreditable lack of gratitude. <i>He returned his daughter s care with ingratitude and unkindness.</i>
insistent	Demanding attention. <i>The bluejay s insistent cry.</i>
objection	The act of expressing earnest opposition or protest. <i>They have raised no objections to the latest plans.</i>
persistently	In a persistent manner; continuously. <i>Prices have remained persistently high.</i>
purport	The purpose or intention of something. <i>The letter purports to express people s opinion.</i>
refutable	Able to be refuted.
refute	Prove to be false or incorrect. <i>The speaker refuted his opponent s arguments.</i>
stubborn	Not responding to treatment. <i>Two stubborn young people intent on doing their own thing.</i>
stubbornly	In a way that is difficult to move, remove, or improve. <i>She remained stubbornly in the same position.</i>