

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)

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

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

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

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| <b>stipulate</b>         | Make an oral contract or agreement in the verbal form of question and answer that is necessary to give it legal force.<br><i>They <b>stipulated</b> to release all the prisoners.</i> |
| <b>stress</b>            | To stress single out as important.<br><i>I want it done very very neatly she <b>stressed</b>.</i>   |
| <b>swear</b>             | To declare or affirm solemnly and formally as true.<br><i>They were reluctant to <b>swear</b> allegiance.</i>   |
| <b>take a firm stand</b> | Interpret something in a certain way; convey a particular meaning or impression.  |
| <b><u>VOW</u></b>        | Make a vow promise.<br><i>I <b>vowed</b> myself to this enterprise.</i>   |



## 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)

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

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