

Need another word that means the same as “insubordination”? Find 8 synonyms and 30 related words for “insubordination” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Insubordination” are: rebelliousness, disobedience, unruliness, indiscipline, bad behaviour, misbehaviour, misconduct, delinquency

Insubordination as a Noun

Definitions of "Insubordination" as a noun

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

- *Defiance of authority; refusal to obey orders.*
- *Defiance of authority.*
- *An insubordinate act.*

Synonyms of "Insubordination" as a noun (8 Words)

bad behaviour That which is below standard or expectations as of ethics or decency.

delinquency Nonpayment of a debt when due.
*Social causes of crime and **delinquency**.*

disobedience Failure or refusal to obey rules or someone in authority.
***Disobedience** to law is sometimes justified.*

indiscipline Lack of discipline.
*Public concern about **indiscipline** in schools.*

misbehaviour The action of misbehaving; bad behaviour.
*He had denied all sexual **misbehaviour**.*

- misconduct** Unacceptable or improper behaviour, especially by an employee or professional person.
*Smith got a game **misconduct** for spearing Nick Kypreos.*
- rebelliousness** An insubordinate act.
- unruliness** The trait of being prone to disobedience and lack of discipline.

Usage Examples of "Insubordination" as a noun

- *He was dismissed for insubordination.*

Associations of "Insubordination" (30 Words)

- ascent** A movement upward.
*The **ascent** grew steeper.*
- betrayal** An act of deliberate betrayal.
*These developments represented a **betrayal** of democracy.*
- betrayor** A person who says one thing and does another.
- complain** Express complaints discontent displeasure or unhappiness.
*Local authorities **complained** that they lacked sufficient resources.*
- defector** A person who abandons their duty (as on a military post).
*Staff interviewed escapees and **defectors** to the West.*
- demonstration** A show of military force or preparedness.
*The lecturer shot off a pistol as a **demonstration** of the startle response.*
- disloyal** (of a remark or thought) demonstrating a lack of loyalty.
*She was accused of being **disloyal** to the government.*
- disloyalty** The quality of being disloyal.
*An accusation of **disloyalty** and betrayal.*
- disobedience** Failure or refusal to obey rules or someone in authority.
***Disobedience** to law is sometimes justified.*
- firebrand** A piece of wood that has been burned or is burning.
*A political **firebrand**.*
- ingratitude** A discreditable lack of gratitude.
*He returned his daughter's care with **ingratitude** and unkindness.*
- instigator** Someone who deliberately foment trouble.
*He was not the **instigator** of the incident.*

insurgent	A person who takes part in an armed rebellion against the constituted authority (especially in the hope of improving conditions. <i>Alleged links with insurgent groups.</i>
insurrection	A violent uprising against an authority or government. <i>Opposition to the new regime led to armed insurrection.</i>
mutiny	Engage in a mutiny against an authority. <i>A mutiny by those manning the weapons could trigger a global war.</i>
overthrow	A score made because the ball has been overthrown. <i>He grips the ball too tight and overthrows it.</i>
perfidy	An act of deliberate betrayal. <i>It was an example of his perfidy.</i>
protest	Utter words of protest. <i>Two senior scientists resigned in protest.</i>
quisling	Someone who collaborates with an enemy occupying force. <i>He had the Quisling owner of the factory arrested.</i>
rebel	Take part in a rebellion renounce a former allegiance. <i>The Earl of Pembroke subsequently rebelled against Henry III.</i>
rebellion	Organized opposition to authority; a conflict in which one faction tries to wrest control from another. <i>The Bretons rose in rebellion against the King.</i>
revolt	Take violent action against an established government or ruler; rebel. <i>He was revolted by the stench that greeted him.</i>
riot	Take part in a riot disturb the public peace by engaging in a riot. <i>He was convicted on charges of riot and assault.</i>
rising	An armed protest against authority; a revolt. <i>A rising market.</i>
traitor	A person who says one thing and does another. <i>He was a traitor to his own class.</i>
treachery	An act of deliberate betrayal. <i>Many died because of his treachery.</i>
treason	The crime of betraying one's country, especially by attempting to kill or overthrow the sovereign or government. <i>Doubt is the ultimate treason against faith.</i>
turncoat	A person who deserts one party or cause in order to join an opposing one. <i>They denounced him as a turncoat.</i>
uphill	Against difficulties. <i>He gave mountain biking clinics on handling steep uphills.</i>

uprising

An act of resistance or rebellion; a revolt.
*An armed **uprising**.*