

Need another word that means the same as “intellect”? Find 28 synonyms and 30 related words for “intellect” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Intellect” are: mind, intellectual, reason, understanding, brain, brains, head, intelligence, comprehension, thought, brainpower, sense, judgement, wisdom, wits, intellectual capabilities, wit, powers of reasoning, powers of comprehension, powers of thought, reasoning, mentality, perception, thinker, bluestocking, academic, scholar, sage

Intellect as a Noun

Definitions of "Intellect" as a noun

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

- *A clever person.*
- *A person who uses the mind creatively.*
- *The capacity for rational thought or inference or discrimination.*
- *Knowledge and intellectual ability.*
- *A person's mental powers.*
- *The faculty of reasoning and understanding objectively, especially with regard to abstract matters.*



Synonyms of "Intellect" as a noun (28 Words)

- academic** An educator who works at a college or university.
*The EU offers grants to **academics** for research on approved projects.*
- bluestocking** An intellectual or literary woman.
*A Victorian **bluestocking**.*
- brain** An electronic device with functions comparable to those of the human brain.
*A tiny alarm bell began to ring in her **brain**.*
- brainpower** Mental ability.
*Most humans use only a small fraction of their total useful **brainpower**.*

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| brains | <p>That part of the central nervous system that includes all the higher nervous centers; enclosed within the skull; continuous with the spinal cord. <i>He s got plenty of brains but no common sense.</i></p> |
| <u>comprehension</u> | <p>An ability to understand the meaning or importance of something (or the knowledge acquired as a result). <i>Some won t have the least comprehension of what I m trying to do.</i></p> |
| head | <p>The head regarded as the location of intellect imagination and memory. <i>The head of the list.</i></p> |
| <u>intellectual</u> | <p>A person who uses the mind creatively. <i>A prominent political thinker and intellectual.</i></p> |
| intellectual capabilities | <p>A person who uses the mind creatively.</p> |
| intelligence | <p>A unit responsible for gathering and interpreting information about an enemy. <i>We sent out planes to gather intelligence on their radar coverage.</i></p> |
| judgement | <p>(law) the determination by a court of competent jurisdiction on matters submitted to it. <i>That is not in my judgement the end of the matter.</i></p> |
| <u>mentality</u> | <p>A habitual or characteristic mental attitude that determines how you will interpret and respond to situations. <i>I had inherited not only my father s blood but his bourgeois mentality as well.</i></p> |
| mind | <p>An important intellectual. <i>Anyone can slim if they set their mind to it.</i></p> |
| perception | <p>The process of perceiving. <i>He wouldn t have accepted said my mother with unusual perception.</i></p> |
| powers of comprehension | <p>A mathematical notation indicating the number of times a quantity is multiplied by itself.</p> |
| powers of reasoning | <p>A mathematical notation indicating the number of times a quantity is multiplied by itself.</p> |
| powers of thought | <p>The rate of doing work; measured in watts (= joules/second).</p> |
| reason | <p>An explanation of the cause of some phenomenon. <i>People are willing within reason to pay for schooling.</i></p> |

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| <u>reasoning</u> | Thinking that is coherent and logical. <i>He explained the reasoning behind his decision at a media conference.</i> |
| sage | Used in names of aromatic plants of the mint family that resemble sage e.g. wood sage. |
| <u>scholar</u> | A university student holding a scholarship. <i>Mr Bell declares himself no scholar.</i> |
| sense | Relating to or denoting a coding sequence of nucleotides complementary to an antisense sequence. <i>Fortunately she had the good sense to run away.</i> |
| thinker | Someone who exercises the mind (usually in an effort to reach a decision). <i>A leading scientific thinker.</i> |
| thought | The action or process of thinking. <i>I haven't given it much thought.</i> |
| understanding | The ability to understand something; comprehension. <i>A child of sufficient intelligence and understanding.</i> |
| wisdom | An Apocryphal book consisting mainly of a meditation on wisdom although ascribed to Solomon it was probably written in the first century BC. <i>Listen to his words of wisdom.</i> |
| <u>wit</u> | A witty person. <i>I had the wit to realize that the only way out was up.</i> |
| <u>wits</u> | The basic human power of intelligent thought and perception. <i>He used his wits to get ahead.</i> |



Usage Examples of "Intellect" as a noun

- *He has a keen intellect.*
- *He was a man of action rather than of intellect.*
- *Her keen intellect.*
- *Sapping our country of some of its brightest intellects.*



Associations of "Intellect" (30 Words)

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| apprehensible | Capable of being apprehended or understood. <i>A bat whirred apprehensible only from the displacement of air.</i> |
| awareness | State of elementary or undifferentiated consciousness. <i>There is a lack of awareness of the risks.</i> |
| <u>cognition</u> | A perception sensation idea or intuition resulting from the process of cognition. |
| cognizance | The action of taking judicial notice. <i>The Renaissance cognizance of Greece was limited.</i> |
| comprehensible | Able to be understood; intelligible. <i>An idea comprehensible to the average mind.</i> |

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| <u>comprehension</u> | The inclusion of Nonconformists within the Established Church of England (as proposed in the 17th to 19th centuries but not adopted). <i>How you can do that is beyond my comprehension.</i> |
| <u>consciousness</u> | Having knowledge of. <i>Consciousness emerges from the operations of the brain.</i> |
| considerateness | Kind and considerate regard for others. |
| <u>empathetic</u> | Showing an ability to understand and share the feelings of another. <i>A sensitive and empathetic school counselor.</i> |
| erudition | The quality of having or showing great knowledge or learning; scholarship. <i>He was known for his wit erudition and teaching skills.</i> |
| expertise | Skillfulness by virtue of possessing special knowledge. <i>Technical expertise.</i> |
| generalist | A person competent in several different fields or activities. <i>A statistician has to be something of a generalist.</i> |
| highbrow | A highbrow person. <i>She considered all those without television as highbrows intellectual snobs or paupers.</i> |
| informed | (of a decision or judgement) based on an understanding of the facts of the situation. <i>The informed customer.</i> |
| <u>inkling</u> | A slight knowledge or suspicion; a hint. <i>He had no inkling what was about to happen.</i> |
| judgment | The mental ability to understand and discriminate between relations. <i>He was reluctant to make his judgment known.</i> |
| know | The fact of being aware of information that is known to few people. <i>I know that the President lied to the people.</i> |
| knowledge | Facts, information, and skills acquired through experience or education; the theoretical or practical understanding of a subject. <i>A thirst for knowledge.</i> |
| learn | Commit to memory learn by heart. <i>We learn from experience.</i> |
| learned | Showing, requiring, or characterized by learning; scholarly. <i>My learned friend.</i> |
| literati | Well-educated people who are interested in literature. |

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| mindset | A habitual or characteristic mental attitude that determines how you will interpret and respond to situations. <i>The region seems stuck in a medieval mindset.</i> |
| sapiential | Characterized by wisdom, especially the wisdom of God. <i>I saw them as sapiential metaphors far more meaningful than their didactic pretext.</i> |
| savvy | The cognitive condition of someone who understands. <i>Most of us are pretty web savvy.</i> |
| smart | (of an object) bright and fresh in appearance. <i>You look very smart.</i> |
| thinking | Thoughts; meditations. <i>His thinking is reflected in his later autobiography.</i> |
| thoughtfulness | Consideration for the needs of other people. <i>Her generosity and thoughtfulness was unbounded.</i> |
| understanding | Characterized by understanding based on comprehension and discernment and empathy. <i>People expect their doctor to be understanding.</i> |
| wakefulness | The process of paying close and continuous attention. <i>Accept your wakefulness and sleep in its own contrary way is more likely to come.</i> |
| wisdom | An Apocryphal book consisting mainly of a meditation on wisdom although ascribed to Solomon it was probably written in the first century BC. <i>Eastern wisdom.</i> |

