

Need another word that means the same as “inventive”? Find 18 synonyms and 30 related words for “inventive” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Inventive” are: imaginative, original, innovational, new, novel, fresh, unconventional, unorthodox, unusual, unfamiliar, unprecedented, avant-garde, experimental, ingenious, creative, innovative, fertile, resourceful

Inventive as an Adjective

Definitions of "Inventive" as an adjective

According to the [Oxford Dictionary of English](#), “inventive” as an adjective can have the following definitions:

- *Marked by independence and creativity in thought or action- Lewis Mumford.*
- *Showing creativity or original thought.*
- *(used of persons or artifacts) marked by independence and creativity in thought or action.*
- *Having the ability to create or design new things or to think originally.*



Synonyms of "Inventive" as an adjective (18 Words)

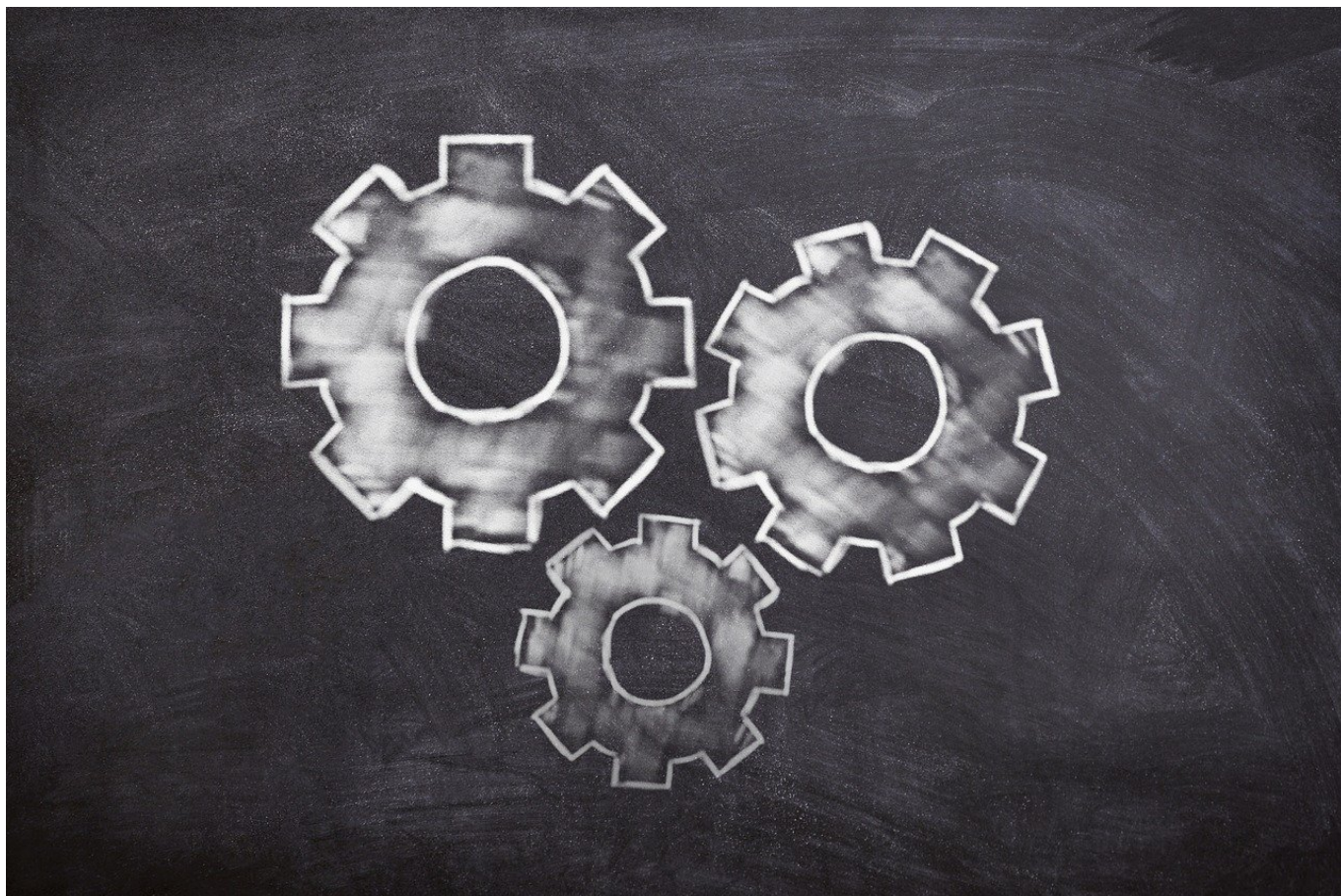
avant-garde	Radically new or original.
creative	Having good imagination or original ideas. <i>Creative work.</i>
<u>experimental</u>	(of art or an artistic technique) involving a radically new and innovative style. <i>An experimental knowledge of God.</i>
<u>fertile</u>	(of nuclear material) able to become fissile by the capture of neutrons. <i>The fertile coastal plain.</i>
fresh	Pleasantly clean and cool. <i>A fresh start.</i>

<u>imaginative</u>	(used of persons or artifacts) marked by independence and creativity in thought or action. <i>He was imaginative beyond all other architects.</i>
ingenious	(of a machine or idea) cleverly and originally devised and well suited to its purpose. <i>He was ingenious enough to overcome the limited budget.</i>
innovational	Being or producing something like nothing done or experienced or created before. <i>A mind so innovational so original.</i>
innovative	Being or producing something like nothing done or experienced or created before. <i>Innovative members of the artistic community.</i>
new	Beginning anew and in a transformed way. <i>A way of living that was new to me.</i>
<u>novel</u>	Original and of a kind not seen before. <i>The computer produced a completely novel proof of a well known theorem.</i>
<u>original</u>	(of e.g. information) not secondhand or by way of something intermediary. <i>The book still has its original binding.</i>
<u>resourceful</u>	Having inner resources; adroit or imaginative. <i>He maintained her reputation for being a resourceful problem solver.</i>
unconventional	Not conforming to accepted rules or standards. <i>An unconventional marriage.</i>
<u>unfamiliar</u>	Unusual or uncharacteristic. <i>His voice was unfamiliar to her.</i>
unorthodox	Contrary to what is usual, traditional, or accepted; not orthodox. <i>An unorthodox lifestyle.</i>
unprecedented	Having no precedent; novel. <i>The government took the unprecedented step of releasing confidential correspondence.</i>
unusual	Not commonly encountered. <i>It was unusual for Dennis to be late.</i>



Usage Examples of "Inventive" as an adjective

- *Had an inventive turn of mind.*
- *A courageous and inventive piece of film-making.*
- *Inventive ceramics.*
- *The most inventive composer of his time.*



Associations of "Inventive" (30 Words)

conception	An abstract or general idea inferred or derived from specific instances. <i>An unfertilized egg before conception.</i>
create	Create by artistic means. <i>The company was created 25 years ago.</i>
creation	God's act of bringing the universe into existence. <i>From its creation the plan was doomed to failure.</i>
creative	A person whose job involves creative work. <i>A creative imagination.</i>
creatively	In a creative manner. <i>This article inspires you to think creatively.</i>
creativeness	The ability to create.
creativity	The ability to create. <i>Firms are keen to encourage creativity.</i>

freshly	Very recently. <i>Freshly ground black pepper.</i>
freshness	The state of being recently created or experienced and not faded or impaired. <i>The frescoes still retain their freshness and colour.</i>
genius	An exceptionally intelligent person or one with exceptional skill in a particular area of activity. <i>A genius idea.</i>
groundbreaking	Innovative; pioneering. <i>Groundbreaking research into fertility problems.</i>
idea	The content of cognition; the main thing you are thinking about. <i>Nineteenth century ideas about drinking.</i>
imagination	The formation of a mental image of something that is not perceived as real and is not present to the senses. <i>Her story captured the public's imagination.</i>
imaginative	(used of persons or artifacts) marked by independence and creativity in thought or action. <i>Making imaginative use of computer software.</i>
ingenious	Showing inventiveness and skill. <i>An ingenious solution to the problem.</i>
ingenuity	The quality of being clever, original, and inventive. <i>Considerable ingenuity must be employed in writing software.</i>
innovation	The act of starting something for the first time; introducing something new. <i>Technological innovations designed to save energy.</i>
innovative	(of a product, idea, etc.) featuring new methods; advanced and original. <i>Innovative designs.</i>
intellectually	In a way that relates to the intellect. <i>Intellectually stimulating conversation.</i>
invention	Something fabricated or made up. <i>His powers of invention were rather limited.</i>
knickknack	Miscellaneous curios.
make	Make by combining materials and parts. <i>He waited confidently for his band to make it.</i>
new	Gratuitously new. <i>This tendency is not new.</i>

novelty

Originality by virtue of being refreshingly novel.

*In 1914 air travel was still a **novelty**.*

originality

The ability to think and act independently.

*He congratulated her on the **originality** of her costume.*

reformer

A disputant who advocates reform.

*A skilled **reformer** of government spending.*

refreshing

Serving to refresh or reinvigorate someone.

*It makes a **refreshing** change to be able to write about something nice.*

resourceful

Having the ability to find quick and clever ways to overcome difficulties.

*You will become stronger and more **resourceful** in the face of adversity.*

smart

(of clothes) attractively neat and stylish.

*Defence chiefs are still **smarting** from the government's cuts.*

spiritually

In a spiritual manner.

*A **spiritually** uplifting film.*

