

Need another word that means the same as “jolly”? Find 54 synonyms and 30 related words for “jolly” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Jolly” are: gay, jocund, jovial, merry, mirthful, cheerful, happy, cheery, good-humoured, sunny, bright, joyful, light-hearted, in high spirits, in good spirits, sparkling, bubbly, exuberant, effervescent, ebullient, breezy, airy, lively, vivacious, full of life, sprightly, jaunty, banter, chaff, josh, kid, encourage, urge, coax, cajole, persuade, wheedle, fairly, middling, moderately, passably, pretty, reasonably, somewhat, very, extremely, exceedingly, exceptionally, especially, tremendously, immensely, vastly, hugely, jolly boat**

## Jolly as a Noun

### Definitions of "Jolly" as a noun

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

- *A happy party.*
- *A party or celebration.*
- *A yawl used by a ship's sailors for general work.*



### **Synonyms of "Jolly" as a noun (1 Word)**

**jolly boat** A yawl used by a ship's sailors for general work.



## Usage Examples of "Jolly" as a noun

- *Some regard it as a bit of a jolly.*
- *These events were jollies.*



## Jolly as a Verb

### Definitions of "Jolly" as a verb

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

- *Make someone or something more lively or cheerful.*
- *Be silly or tease one another.*
- *Encourage (someone) in a friendly way.*



### Synonyms of "Jolly" as a verb (10 Words)

**banter**

Exchange remarks in a good-humoured teasing way.  
*The men **bantered** with the waitresses.*

- cajole** Persuade (someone) to do something by sustained coaxing or flattery.  
*She pleaded and **cajoled** as she tried to win his support.*
- chaff** Be silly or tease one another.
- coax** Influence or urge by gentle urging, caressing, or flattering.  
*Come on now I **coaxed**.*
- encourage** Persuade (someone) to do or continue to do something by giving support and advice.  
*Pupils are **encouraged** to be creative.*
- josh** Tease (someone) in a playful way.  
*There was some perfunctory **joshing**.*
- kid** Tell false information to for fun.  
*Milk fever usually occurs in heavy milkers shortly after **kidding**.*
- persuade** Induce (someone) to do something through reasoning or argument.  
*The cost of the manor s restoration **persuaded** them to take in guests.*
- urge** Force or impel in an indicated direction.  
*He **urged** her to come and stay with us.*
- wheedle** Use flattery or coaxing in order to persuade someone to do something or give one something.  
*Please for my sake he **wheedled**.*



## Usage Examples of "Jolly" as a verb

- *He jollied people along.*
- *Ideas to jolly up a winter's party.*
- *They were trying to jolly her out of her torpor.*



## **Jolly as an Adjective**

### **Definitions of "Jolly" as an adjective**

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

- *Full of or showing high-spirited merriment- Wordsworth.*
- *Happy and cheerful.*
- *Full of or showing high-spirited merriment.*
- *Lively and entertaining.*





## Synonyms of "Jolly" as an adjective (27 Words)

<a href="#">airy</a>	Giving an impression of light gracefulness and elegance. <i>Airy theories about socioeconomic improvement.</i>
<b>breezy</b>	Abounding in or exposed to the wind or breezes. <i>It was a bright <b>breezy</b> day.</i>
<a href="#">bright</a>	Made smooth and bright by or as if by rubbing reflecting a sheen or glow. <i>These young people have a <b>bright</b> future ahead of them.</i>
<a href="#">bubbly</a>	(of a person) full of cheerful high spirits. <i>A <b>bubbly</b> personality.</i>
<a href="#">cheerful</a>	Pleasantly (even unrealistically) optimistic. <i><b>Cheerful</b> news.</i>
<b>cheery</b>	Bright and pleasant; promoting a feeling of cheer. <i>A <b>cheery</b> hello.</i>
<a href="#">ebullient</a>	Joyously unrestrained. <i>She sounded <b>ebullient</b> and happy.</i>
<a href="#">effervescent</a>	Giving off bubbles. <i>An <b>effervescent</b> mixture of cheap wine fruit flavours sugar and carbon dioxide.</i>
<b>exuberant</b>	Full of energy, excitement, and cheerfulness. <i><b>Exuberant</b> over the top sculptures.</i>
<b>full of life</b>	Complete in extent or degree and in every particular.
<b>good-humoured</b>	Disposed to please- Hal Hinson.
<b>happy</b>	Used in greetings. <i>He was not <b>happy</b> about the proposals.</i>
<b>in good spirits</b>	Currently fashionable.
<b>in high spirits</b>	Holding office.
<b>jaunty</b>	Having a cheerful, lively, and self-confident air. <i>Walked with a <b>jaunty</b> step.</i>
<b>jocund</b>	Full of or showing high-spirited merriment- Wordsworth. <i>A <b>jocund</b> wedding party.</i>
<a href="#">jovial</a>	Cheerful and friendly. <i>She was in a <b>jovial</b> mood.</i>
<a href="#">joyful</a>	Feeling, expressing, or causing great pleasure and happiness. <i><b>Joyful</b> music.</i>
<b>light-hearted</b>	Carefree and happy and lighthearted.

<b>lively</b>	(of a place or atmosphere) full of activity and excitement. <i>A <b>lively</b> tennis ball.</i>
<b>merry</b>	Slightly and good-humouredly drunk. <i>After the third beer he began to feel quite <b>merry</b>.</i>
<b>mirthful</b>	Arousing or provoking laughter. <i>A <b>mirthful</b> laugh.</i>
<b>sparkling</b>	Lively and witty. <i><b>Sparkling</b> snow.</i>
<b>sprightly</b>	(especially of an old person) lively; full of energy. <i>She was quite <b>sprightly</b> for her age.</i>
<b>sunny</b>	(of a person or their temperament) cheery and bright. <i>A <b>sunny</b> smile.</i>
<b>vivacious</b>	Attractively lively and animated (typically used of a woman). <i>A <b>vivacious</b> folk dance.</i>



## Usage Examples of "Jolly" as an adjective

- *Jolly old Saint Nick.*
- *The jolly crowd at the reunion.*
- *We had a very jolly time.*

- *He was a jolly man full of jokes.*



## Jolly as an Adverb

### Definitions of "Jolly" as an adverb

According to the [Oxford Dictionary of English](#), "jolly" as an adverb can have the following definitions:

- *To a moderately sufficient extent or degree.*
- *To certain extent or degree.*
- *Very; extremely.*



### Synonyms of "Jolly" as an adverb (16 Words)

**especially**

Used to single out one person or thing over all others.  
*An **especially** or specially cautious approach to the danger.*

<b>exceedingly</b>	To an extreme degree. <i>The team played <b>exceedingly</b> well.</i>
<b>exceptionally</b>	To an exceptional degree. <i>The court allows half an hour in most cases one hour <b>exceptionally</b> for a very important case.</i>
<b>extremely</b>	To a high degree or extent; favorably or with much respect. <i><b>Extremely</b> interesting.</i>
<b>fairly</b>	Without favoring one party, in a fair evenhanded manner. <i>They played <b>fairly</b>.</i>
<b>hugely</b>	Extremely. <i>A <b>hugely</b> expensive house.</i>
<b>immensely</b>	To an exceedingly great extent or degree. <i>The president was <b>immensely</b> popular.</i>
<b>middling</b>	To certain extent or degree. <i><b>Middling</b> rich.</i>
<b>moderately</b>	To a moderately sufficient extent or degree. <i>Growth continues <b>moderately</b>.</i>
<b>passably</b>	To certain extent or degree. <i>He was <b>passably</b> attractive.</i>
<b>pretty</b>	To certain extent or degree. <i><b>Pretty</b> big.</i>
<b>reasonably</b>	With good sense or in a reasonable or intelligent manner. <i>She played the piano <b>reasonably</b> well.</i>
<b>somewhat</b>	To certain extent or degree. <i>A <b>somewhat</b> thicker book.</i>
<b>tremendously</b>	Extremely. <i>Daniel played <b>tremendously</b> throughout.</i>
<b>vastly</b>	To a very great extent; immensely. <i>He had <b>vastly</b> overestimated his resources.</i>
<b>very</b>	Used as intensifiers; `real' is sometimes used informally for `really'; `rattling' is informal. <i>He played <b>very</b> well.</i>



## Usage Examples of "Jolly" as an adverb

- *Jolly decent of him.*
- *He is jolly busy.*





## Associations of "Jolly" (30 Words)

<b><u>badinage</u></b>	Frivolous banter. <i>He developed a nice line in <b>badinage</b> with the Labour leader.</i>
<b><u>banter</u></b>	Light teasing repartee. <i>There was much good natured <b>banter</b>.</i>
<b>buffoonery</b>	Acting like a clown or buffoon. <i>The film is full of wordplay and <b>buffoonery</b>.</i>
<b><u>exhilaration</u></b>	A feeling of excitement, happiness, or elation. <i>They felt the <b>exhilaration</b> of victory.</i>
<b>exultant</b>	Triumphantly happy. <i>He waved to the <b>exultant</b> crowds.</i>
<b>fun</b>	A source of fun. <i>It was a <b>fun</b> evening.</i>
<b>funny</b>	Arousing or provoking laughter. <i>Her speech has a <b>funny</b> twang.</i>
<b><u>glad</u></b>	Cheerful and bright. <i>Gave a <b>glad</b> shout.</i>
<b>happy</b>	Satisfied with the quality or standard of. <i>I can't say they looked too <b>happy</b> about it but a deal s a deal.</i>
<b><u>hilarious</u></b>	Marked by or causing boisterous merriment or convulsive laughter. <i>The meal was noisy and <b>hilarious</b>.</i>
<b>humor</b>	The trait of appreciating and being able to express the humorous. <i>The <b>humors</b> are blood and phlegm and yellow and black bile.</i>
<b>humorous</b>	Full of or characterized by humor. <i><b>Humorous</b> cartoons.</i>
<b>humour</b>	The ability to express humour or amuse other people. <i>His tales are full of <b>humour</b>.</i>
<b>jape</b>	Say or do something in jest or mockery. <i>Even a schoolboy s <b>jape</b> is supposed to have some ascertainable point.</i>
<b>jest</b>	Activity characterized by good humor. <i>You <b>jest</b> surely.</i>
<b>jocose</b>	Characterized by jokes and good humor. <i>A <b>jocose</b> allusion.</i>
<b>jocular</b>	With humor. <i>His voice was <b>jocular</b>.</i>

<b><u>joke</u></b>	Make jokes talk humorously or flippantly. <i>I regarded his campaign for mayor as a <b>joke</b>.</i>
<b>jollity</b>	Lively and cheerful activity or celebration. <i>He was full of false <b>jollity</b>.</i>
<b><u>jovial</u></b>	Full of or showing high-spirited merriment. <i>A <b>jovial</b> old gentleman.</i>
<b>joviality</b>	A jovial nature.
<b><u>joyous</u></b>	Full of or characterized by joy. <i><b>Joyous</b> laughter.</i>
<b>laugh</b>	Something that causes laughter a source of fun amusement or derision. <i>That s a <b>laugh</b> the idea of you cooking a meal.</i>
<b>laughing</b>	Showing or feeling mirth or pleasure or happiness. <i><b>Laughing</b> children.</i>
<b><u>merry</u></b>	(of an occasion or season) characterized by festivity and enjoyment. <i>Peals of <b>merry</b> laughter.</i>
<b><u>mockery</u></b>	An absurd misrepresentation or imitation of something. <i>After a <b>mockery</b> of a trial in London he was executed.</i>
<b>repartee</b>	Adroitness and cleverness in reply. <i>He had a quick mind and a splendid gift of <b>repartee</b>.</i>
<b>slapstick</b>	A boisterous comedy with chases and collisions and practical jokes. <i><b>Slapstick</b> style of humor.</i>
<b>witticism</b>	A witty remark. <i>Maurice roared with laughter at his own <b>witticisms</b>.</i>
<b><u>witty</u></b>	Showing or characterized by quick and inventive verbal humour. <i>Marlowe was charming and <b>witty</b>.</i>

