

Need another word that means the same as “justify”? Find 15 synonyms and 30 related words for “justify” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Justify” are: vindicate, give grounds for, give reasons for, give a justification for, show just cause for, explain, give an explanation for, account for, prove to be reasonable, show to be reasonable, provide a rationale for, rationalize, warrant, be good reason for, be a justification for**

## Justify as a Verb

### Definitions of "Justify" as a verb

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

- *Be a good reason for.*
- *Adjust the spaces between words.*
- *Adjust (a line of type or piece of text) so that the print fills a space evenly or forms a straight edge at the margin.*
- *(used of God) declare innocent; absolve from the penalty of sin.*
- *Show to be right by providing justification or proof.*
- *Show to be reasonable or provide adequate ground for.*
- *Show or prove to be right or reasonable.*
- *Let off the hook.*
- *Declare or make righteous in the sight of God.*
- *Defend, explain, clear away, or make excuses for by reasoning.*

## Synonyms of "Justify" as a verb (15 Words)

<b>account for</b>	Furnish a justifying analysis or explanation.
<b>be a justification for</b>	Represent, as of a character on stage.
<b>be good reason for</b>	Form or compose.
<b>explain</b>	Give a reason so as to justify or excuse (an action or event). <i>They know stories about me that I can't <b>explain</b> away.</i>
<b>give a justification for</b>	Transmit (knowledge or skills).
<b>give an explanation for</b>	Submit for consideration, judgment, or use.
<b>give grounds for</b>	Give as a present; make a gift of.
<b>give reasons for</b>	Give food to.
<b>prove to be reasonable</b>	Establish the validity of something, as by an example, explanation or experiment.
<b>provide a rationale for</b>	Give what is desired or needed, especially support, food or sustenance.
<b><u>rationalize</u></b>	Make (a company, process, or industry) more efficient, especially by dispensing with superfluous personnel or equipment. <i><b>Rationalize</b> the child's seemingly crazy behavior.</i>
<b>show just cause for</b>	Give expression to.
<b>show to be reasonable</b>	Give evidence of, as of records.
<b>vindicate</b>	Clear (someone) of blame or suspicion. <i>More sober views were <b>vindicated</b> by events.</i>
<b>warrant</b>	Show to be reasonable or provide adequate ground for. <i>The dealer <b>warrants</b> all the cars he sells.</i>

## Usage Examples of "Justify" as a verb

- *The person appointed has fully justified our confidence.*
- *One of the elect, justified by faith.*
- *Justify the margins.*
- *The situation was grave enough to justify further investigation.*
- *In most European languages you justify text by adding space between letters and words.*

## Associations of "Justify" (30 Words)

<u><b>alibi</b></u>	Provide an alibi for. <i>A catch all <b>alibi</b> for failure and inadequacy.</i>
<u><b>attest</b></u>	Provide evidence for; stand as proof of; show by one's behavior, attitude, or external attributes. <i>His numerous drawings of babies <b>attest</b> to his fascination with them.</i>
<u><b>attributable</b></u>	(of a work or remark) able to be ascribed to a particular author, artist, or speaker. <i>An idea <b>attributable</b> to a Russian.</i>
<b>certification</b>	Confirmation that some fact or statement is true through the use of documentary evidence. <i>The <b>certification</b> of teachers.</i>
<b>certify</b>	Guarantee payment on; of checks. <i>The Law Society will <b>certify</b> that the sum charged is fair and reasonable.</i>
<b>condone</b>	Accept (behaviour that is considered morally wrong or offensive). <i>The college cannot <b>condone</b> any behaviour that involves illicit drugs.</i>
<b>confirm</b>	Administer the rite of confirmation to. <i>Two recent experiences have <b>confirmed</b> me in this view.</i>
<u><b>corroborate</b></u>	Establish or strengthen as with new evidence or facts. <i>The witness had <b>corroborated</b> the boy's account of the attack.</i>
<b>demonstrate</b>	March in protest; take part in a demonstration. <i>Thousands <b>demonstrated</b> against globalization during the meeting of the most powerful economic nations in Seattle.</i>
<u><b>excuse</b></u>	Accept an excuse for. <i>He kept finding <b>excuses</b> to stay.</i>
<b>explicate</b>	Analyse and develop (an idea or principle) in detail. <i>These essays seek to <b>explicate</b> and contextualize Kristeva's writings.</i>
<u><b>guise</b></u>	An artful or simulated semblance. <i>Under the <b>guise</b> of friendship he betrayed them.</i>
<u><b>invalidate</b></u>	Make invalid for use. <i>A technical flaw in her papers <b>invalidated</b> her nomination.</i>
<b>judgement</b>	The cognitive process of reaching a decision or drawing conclusions. <i>An error of <b>judgement</b>.</i>
<b>legitimize</b>	Make legitimate. <i>Voters <b>legitimize</b> the government through the election of public officials.</i>

<b>pretext</b>	An artful or simulated semblance. <i>The rebels had the perfect <b>pretext</b> for making their move.</i>
<b>proof</b>	Proofread a text. <i>Powerful 132 <b>proof</b> rum.</i>
<b>prove</b>	Prove formally demonstrate by a mathematical formal proof. <i><b>Prove</b> a will.</i>
<b>rationalization</b>	Systematic organization; the act of organizing something according to a system or a rationale. <i>Most people are prone to self deceptive <b>rationalization</b>.</i>
<b>rationalize</b>	Attempt to explain or justify (behaviour or an attitude) with logical reasons, even if these are not appropriate. <i>He <b>rationalized</b> his lack of success.</i>
<b>reason</b>	Decide by reasoning draw or come to a conclusion. <i>There is a close connection between <b>reason</b> and emotion.</i>
<b>substantiate</b>	Establish or strengthen as with new evidence or facts. <i>They had found nothing to <b>substantiate</b> the allegations.</i>
<b>testify</b>	Provide evidence for. <i>The bleak lines <b>testify</b> to inner torment.</i>
<b>theodicy</b>	The branch of theology that defends God's goodness and justice in the face of the existence of evil. <i>The question of <b>theodicy</b>.</i>
<b>validate</b>	Make valid or confirm the validity of. <i>All analytical methods should be <b>validated</b> in respect of accuracy.</i>
<b>verify</b>	To declare or affirm solemnly and formally as true. <i><b>Verify</b> a claim.</i>
<b>vindicate</b>	Clear (someone) of blame or suspicion. <i>More sober views were <b>vindicated</b> by events.</i>
<b>vindictory</b>	Of or relating to or having the nature of retribution.
<b>warrant</b>	Officially affirm or guarantee. <i>An extradition <b>warrant</b>.</i>
<b>why</b>	The cause or intention underlying an action or situation especially in the phrase the whys and wherefores. <i>The <b>whys</b> and wherefores of these procedures need to be explained to students.</i>