

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)

account for	Furnish a justifying analysis or explanation.
be a justification for	Represent, as of a character on stage.
be good reason for	Form or compose.
explain	Give a reason so as to justify or excuse (an action or event). <i>They know stories about me that I can't explain away.</i>
give a justification for	Transmit (knowledge or skills).
give an explanation for	Submit for consideration, judgment, or use.
give grounds for	Give as a present; make a gift of.
give reasons for	Give food to.
prove to be reasonable	Establish the validity of something, as by an example, explanation or experiment.
provide a rationale for	Give what is desired or needed, especially support, food or sustenance.
<u>rationalize</u>	Make (a company, process, or industry) more efficient, especially by dispensing with superfluous personnel or equipment. <i>Rationalize the child's seemingly crazy behavior.</i>
show just cause for	Give expression to.
show to be reasonable	Give evidence of, as of records.
vindicate	Clear (someone) of blame or suspicion. <i>More sober views were vindicated by events.</i>
warrant	Show to be reasonable or provide adequate ground for. <i>The dealer warrants 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>alibi</u>	Provide an alibi for. <i>A catch all alibi for failure and inadequacy.</i>
<u>attest</u>	Provide evidence for; stand as proof of; show by one's behavior, attitude, or external attributes. <i>His numerous drawings of babies attest to his fascination with them.</i>
<u>attributable</u>	(of a work or remark) able to be ascribed to a particular author, artist, or speaker. <i>An idea attributable to a Russian.</i>
certification	Confirmation that some fact or statement is true through the use of documentary evidence. <i>The certification of teachers.</i>
certify	Guarantee payment on; of checks. <i>The Law Society will certify that the sum charged is fair and reasonable.</i>
condone	Accept (behaviour that is considered morally wrong or offensive). <i>The college cannot condone any behaviour that involves illicit drugs.</i>
confirm	Administer the rite of confirmation to. <i>Two recent experiences have confirmed me in this view.</i>
<u>corroborate</u>	Establish or strengthen as with new evidence or facts. <i>The witness had corroborated the boy's account of the attack.</i>
demonstrate	March in protest; take part in a demonstration. <i>Thousands demonstrated against globalization during the meeting of the most powerful economic nations in Seattle.</i>
<u>excuse</u>	Accept an excuse for. <i>He kept finding excuses to stay.</i>
explicate	Analyse and develop (an idea or principle) in detail. <i>These essays seek to explicate and contextualize Kristeva's writings.</i>
<u>guise</u>	An artful or simulated semblance. <i>Under the guise of friendship he betrayed them.</i>
<u>invalidate</u>	Make invalid for use. <i>A technical flaw in her papers invalidated her nomination.</i>
judgement	The cognitive process of reaching a decision or drawing conclusions. <i>An error of judgement.</i>
legitimize	Make legitimate. <i>Voters legitimize the government through the election of public officials.</i>

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