

Need another word that means the same as “kidnap”? Find 11 synonyms and 30 related words for “kidnap” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Kidnap” are: abduct, nobble, snatch, carry off, capture, seize, hold to ransom, take as hostage, hijack, kidnapping, abduction

Kidnap as a Noun

Definitions of "Kidnap" as a noun

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

- *The action of kidnapping someone.*



Synonyms of "Kidnap" as a noun (2 Words)

- abduction** The action of forcibly taking someone away against their will.
*They organized the **abduction** of Mr Cordes on his way to the airport.*
- kidnapping** The action of abducting someone and holding them captive.
*The recent **kidnapping** of a Dutch industrialist.*



Usage Examples of "Kidnap" as a noun

- *They were arrested for robbery and kidnap.*



Kidnap as a Verb

Definitions of "Kidnap" as a verb

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

- *Take away to an undisclosed location against their will and usually in order to extract a ransom.*
- *Abduct (someone) and hold them captive, typically to obtain a ransom.*



Synonyms of "Kidnap" as a verb (9 Words)

abduct	Take (someone) away illegally by force or deception; kidnap. <i>The millionaire who disappeared may have been abducted.</i>
capture	Bring about the capture of an elementary particle or celestial body and causing it enter a new orbit. <i>She captured all the men s hearts.</i>
carry off	Capture after a fight.
<u>hijack</u>	Steal (goods) by seizing them in transit. <i>He argues that pressure groups have hijacked the environmental debate.</i>
hold to ransom	Have as a major characteristic.
noble	Try to influence or thwart by underhand or unfair methods. <i>People always tried to noble her at parties.</i>
seize	Seize and take control without authority and possibly with force take as one s right or possession. <i>The army seized the town.</i>
take as hostage	Lay claim to; as of an idea.



Usage Examples of "Kidnap" as a verb

- *Militants kidnapped the daughter of a minister.*
- *The industrialist's son was kidnapped.*



Associations of "Kidnap" (30 Words)

abduct	Take away to an undisclosed location against their will and usually in order to extract a ransom. <i>The millionaire who disappeared may have been abducted.</i>
abduction	(physiology) moving of a body part away from the central axis of the body. <i>They organized the abduction of Mr Cordes on his way to the airport.</i>
abductor	Someone who unlawfully seizes and detains a victim (usually for ransom). <i>Abductor pollicis.</i>
arrogate	Take or claim (something) without justification. <i>They arrogate to themselves the ability to divine the nation s true interests.</i>
<u>bail</u>	Empty a vessel by bailing. <i>They feared the financier would be tempted to forfeit the 10 million bail and flee.</i>
<u>buccaneer</u>	Live like a buccaneer. <i>The company might be a target for an individual buccaneer seeking power and prestige.</i>
catch	Catch up with and possibly overtake. <i>She was hurrying downstairs to catch the news.</i>
clasp	A grasp or handshake. <i>One modest emerald clasped her robe.</i>
<u>clench</u>	The act of grasping. <i>Clench a steering wheel.</i>
clutch	The pedal operating the clutch in a vehicle. <i>She clutched her purse.</i>
<u>commandeer</u>	Enlist (someone) to help in a task. <i>He commandeered the men to find a table.</i>
corsair	A pirate ship.
<u>grab</u>	Take or grasp suddenly. <i>I ve added frame grabs to give a good flavour of what the film is all about.</i>
<u>grasp</u>	The act of grasping. <i>A terrible power had her in its grasp.</i>
grip	A hairgrip. <i>He gripped the steering wheel.</i>
<u>hijack</u>	An incident or act of hijacking. <i>A man armed with grenades hijacked the jet yesterday.</i>

hijacker	A person who takes over an organization or activity and uses it for a different purpose. <i>The hijackers of this government ignore all but their own agenda.</i>
hostage	A person seized or held as security for the fulfilment of a condition. <i>Three hostages were released but only after their families paid an estimated 200 000 to the guerrillas.</i>
kidnapping	(law) the unlawful act of capturing and carrying away a person against their will and holding them in false imprisonment. <i>The recent kidnapping of a Dutch industrialist.</i>
<u>loot</u>	Private property taken from an enemy in war. <i>The gang escaped with their loot.</i>
<u>pirate</u>	A ship that is manned by pirates. <i>A pirate radio station.</i>
<u>plunder</u>	Plunder a town after capture. <i>This writer plundered from famous authors.</i>
ransom	The holding or freeing of a captive in return for payment of a ransom. <i>The capture and ransom of the king.</i>
ravish	Fill (someone) with intense delight; enrapture. <i>Ravished by a sunny afternoon she had agreed without even thinking.</i>
seize	Seize and take control without authority and possibly with force take as one's right or possession. <i>Fear seized the prisoners.</i>
tongs	An instrument with two movable arms that are joined at one end, used for picking up and holding things. <i>Sugar tongs.</i>
<u>usurp</u>	Encroach or infringe upon (someone's rights). <i>The Church had usurped upon the domain of the state.</i>

