

Need another word that means the same as “merely”? Find 7 synonyms and 30 related words for “merely” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Merely” are: but, just, only, simply, purely, solely, entirely

Merely as an Adverb

Definitions of "Merely" as an adverb

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

- *And nothing more.*
- *Just; only.*



Synonyms of "Merely" as an adverb (7 Words)

- but** No more than; only.
*He was a nice bloke **but**.*
- entirely** Solely.
*A school devoted **entirely** to the needs of problem children.*
- just** By a little.
***Just** a bad day in the office.*
- only** Without any others being included or involved.
*There are **only** a limited number of tickets available.*
- purely** In a pure manner.
*The purpose of the meeting was **purely** to give information.*
- simply** (used for emphasis) absolutely.
*Quite **simply** some things have to be taught.*
- solely** Without any others being included or involved.
*Did it **solely** for money.*



Usage Examples of "Merely" as an adverb

- *Gary, a silent boy, merely nodded.*
- *I was merely asking.*



Associations of "Merely" (30 Words)

- already** Before or by now or the time in question.
*Anna has suffered a great deal **already**.*
- bare** Just barely adequate or within a lower limit.
*A **bare** cell with just a mattress.*
- braggadocio** Vain and empty boasting.

but	And nothing more. <i>As with all these proposals ifs and buts abound.</i>
coincidentally	At the same time. <i>The three are coincidentally reunited when captured by the enemy.</i>
despite	Contemptuous treatment or behaviour; outrage. <i>The despite done by him to the holy relics.</i>
handful	A person or group that is very difficult to deal with or control. <i>Only a handful of responses were received.</i>
heretofore	Before now. <i>Diseases that heretofore were usually confined to rural areas.</i>
hitherto	Until now or until the point in time under discussion. <i>Hitherto part of French West Africa Benin achieved independence in 1960.</i>
however	To whatever degree or extent. <i>Although I m a little afraid however I d like to try it.</i>
just	Of an opinion or appraisal well founded justifiable. <i>A just and lasting peace.</i>
mere	Used to emphasize that the fact of something being present in a situation is enough to influence that situation. <i>Shocked by the mere idea.</i>
nevertheless	Despite anything to the contrary (usually following a concession). <i>Statements which although literally true are nevertheless misleading.</i>
nonetheless	Despite anything to the contrary (usually following a concession). <i>The rally which the government had declared illegal was nonetheless attended by some 6 000.</i>
notwithstanding	Nevertheless; in spite of this. <i>I didn't like it. Notwithstanding, I remained calm.</i>
only	Being the only one single and isolated from others. <i>Rebellion will only bring more unhappiness.</i>
pittance	A very small or inadequate amount of money. <i>They work all day for a mere pittance.</i>
preliminary	A preliminary action or event. <i>The discussions were seen as preliminary to the policy paper.</i>
purely	Entirely; exclusively. <i>The purpose of the meeting was purely to give information.</i>
pushover	A thing that is very easily done. <i>This is going to be a pushover.</i>

<u>readily</u>	Without much difficulty. <i>He readily admits that the new car surpasses its predecessors.</i>
<u>simply</u>	Absolutely; altogether; really. <i>It is simply a matter of time.</i>
<u>single</u>	Cause a run to be scored by hitting a single. <i>Single parenthood.</i>
soupcorn	A slight but appreciable amount.
suffix	Append something especially as a suffix. <i>Suffix words.</i>
<u>though</u>	However. <i>I was hunting for work Jobs were scarce though.</i>
tyro	A beginner or novice.
unformed	Not having form or shape. <i>She packed the unformed butter into the mould.</i>
<u>whatever</u>	One or some or every or all without specification. <i>They received no help whatever.</i>
<u>yet</u>	Within an indefinite time or at an unspecified future time. <i>He longed for the flowers that were yet to show themselves.</i>

