

Need another word that means the same as “modernize”? Find 17 synonyms and 30 related words for “modernize” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Modernize” are: modernise, overhaul, develop, update, bring up to date, bring into the twenty-first century, drag into the twenty-first century, lead into the twenty-first century, march into the twenty-first century, streamline, rationalize, technologize, get up to date, move with the times, innovate, make alterations, make changes

Modernize as a Verb

Definitions of "Modernize" as a verb

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

- *Adapt (something) to modern needs or habits, typically by installing modern equipment or adopting modern ideas or methods.*
- *Become technologically advanced.*
- *Make repairs, renovations, revisions or adjustments to.*



Synonyms of "Modernize" as a verb (17 Words)

bring into the twenty-first century

Take something or somebody with oneself somewhere.

bring up to date

Cause to come into a particular state or condition.

develop

Cause to grow and differentiate in ways conforming to its natural development.

*Children must **develop** a sense of right and wrong.*

drag into the twenty-first century

Search (as the bottom of a body of water) for something valuable or lost.

get up to date

Give certain properties to something.

innovate

Bring something new to an environment.

*The company's failure to diversify and **innovate** competitively.*

lead into the twenty-first century

Move ahead (of others) in time or space.

make alterations	Induce to have sex.
make changes	Charge with a function; charge to be.
march into the twenty-first century	Force to march.
modernise	Make repairs, renovations, revisions or adjustments to.
move with the times	Go or proceed from one point to another.
<u>overhaul</u>	Analyse and improve (a system). <i>Moves to overhaul the income tax system.</i>
<u>rationalize</u>	Reorganize (a process or system) so as to make it more logical and consistent. <i>When one wonders why one is doing certain things one should rationalize.</i>
<u>streamline</u>	Contour economically or efficiently. <i>The company streamlined its operations by removing whole layers of management.</i>
technologize	Incorporate or introduce modern technology into (something), typically by using or installing electronic or digital equipment. <i>Kessler walked me through how the company is technologizing an antiquated industry.</i>
update	Modernize or bring up to date. <i>We updated the database with the most recent figures.</i>



Usage Examples of "Modernize" as a verb

- *He modernized the health service.*



Associations of "Modernize" (30 Words)

accelerate

Increase in rate, amount, or extent.
*The key question is whether stress **accelerates** ageing.*

agriculture

A large-scale farming enterprise.

alleviate

Make (suffering, deficiency, or a problem) less severe.
*Measures to **alleviate** unemployment.*

automation

Equipment used to achieve automatic control or operation.
*The **automation** of office tasks.*

capitalism

An economic and political system in which a country's trade and industry are controlled by private owners for profit, rather than by the state.
*An era of free market **capitalism**.*

city

A town created a city by charter and usually containing a cathedral.
*The **city** council.*

civilization

The stage of human social and cultural development and organization that is considered most advanced.
*Early Mayan **civilization**.*

commercialization	The process of managing or running something principally for financial gain. <i>Rapid commercialization across the art world.</i>
democratize	Introduce democratic reforms; of nations. <i>Mass production has not democratized fashion.</i>
deregulate	Lift the regulations on. <i>The trucking industry was deregulated in the early 1980s.</i>
develop	Cause to grow and differentiate in ways conforming to its natural development. <i>Call the doctor if your child develops a rash.</i>
economy	A particular system or stage of an economy. <i>An economy pack of soap flakes.</i>
<u>globalization</u>	The process by which businesses or other organizations develop international influence or start operating on an international scale. <i>Fears about the increasing globalization of the world economy.</i>
<u>industrialization</u>	The development of industries in a country or region on a wide scale. <i>These developing countries have undergone rapid industrialization.</i>
industrialize	Develop industries in (a country or region) on a wide scale. <i>The Chinese industrialized textile production.</i>
liberalize	Make liberal or more liberal, of laws and rules. <i>The laws liberalized after Prohibition.</i>
mechanization	The action or process of making something mechanical in character. <i>The letters and pictures form part of an exhibition at the museum charting the history of the British Army's mechanization.</i>
modernity	A modern way of thinking, working, etc.; contemporariness. <i>Hobbes was the genius of modernity.</i>
modernization	Making modern in appearance or behavior. <i>The modernization of Nigeria will be a long process.</i>
poverty	The state of being inferior in quality or insufficient in amount. <i>The poverty of her imagination.</i>
privatization	Changing something from state to private ownership or control. <i>The government launched a new round of privatizations.</i>
privatize	Transfer (a business, industry, or service) from public to private ownership and control. <i>They were opposed to plans to privatize electricity and water.</i>
productivity	The state or quality of being productive. <i>The long term productivity of land.</i>

rebuild

An instance of rebuilding.

*The **rebuilt**s include a number of Delage cars.*

redecorate

Apply paint or wallpaper in (a room or building) again, typically differently.

*You will have to **redecorate** the room afterwards.*

renovate

Give new life or energy to.

*The old school has been tastefully **renovated** as a private house.*

sophisticate

Sophisticated.

*Readers who have been **sophisticated** by modern literary practice.*

upgrade

To improve what was old or outdated.

*I've **upgraded** my computer so I can run better software.*

urbanization

The social process whereby cities grow and societies become more urban.

*He saw nature being destroyed by **urbanization**.*

westernization

Assimilation of Western culture; the social process of becoming familiar with or converting to the customs and practices of Western civilization.

