

Need another word that means the same as "motives"? Find 6 synonyms and 30 related words for "motives" in this overview.

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The synonyms of "Motives" are: motivation, need, motif, motivating, motivative, motor

Motives as a Noun

Definitions of "Motives" as a noun

According to the <u>Oxford Dictionary of English</u>, "motives" as a noun can have the following definitions:

- A design or figure that consists of recurring shapes or colors, as in architecture or decoration.
- A theme that is repeated or elaborated in a piece of music.
- The psychological feature that arouses an organism to action toward a desired goal; the reason for the action; that which gives purpose and direction to behavior.





Synonyms of "Motives" as a noun (3 Words)

A leitmotif or figure. **motif**

Superstition is a recurring **motif** in the book.

The condition of being motivated.

motivation We did not understand his motivation.

Anything that is necessary but lacking. need

She satisfied his **need** for affection.





Usage Examples of "Motives" as a noun

• He acted with the best of motives.





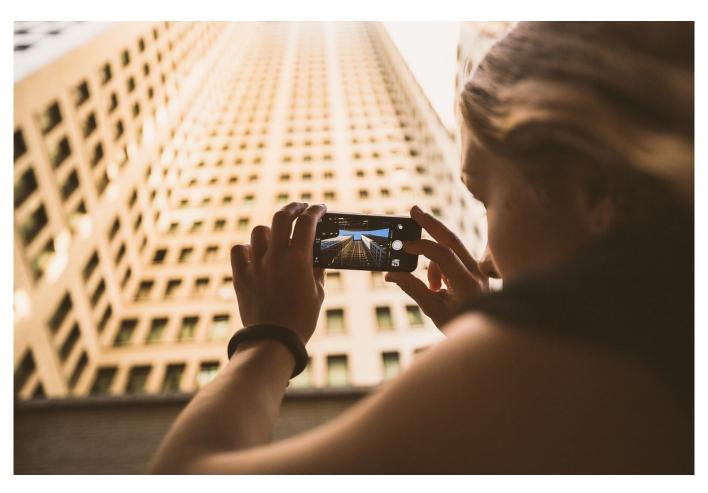
Motives as an Adjective

Definitions of "Motives" as an adjective

According to the <u>Oxford Dictionary of English</u>, "motives" as an adjective can have the following definitions:

- Impelling to action- Arthur Pap.
- Impelling to action.
- Causing or able to cause motion.





Synonyms of "Motives" as an adjective (3 Words)

 $\begin{array}{c} \textbf{motivating} \ \ \overset{Impelling}{\textbf{\textit{Motivating}}} \ \ \text{\textit{arguments}}. \end{array}$

Impelling to action- Arthur Pap. motivative

It may well be that ethical language has primarily a **motivative** function.

Relating to motor vehicles. motor

Motor nerves.





Usage Examples of "Motives" as an adjective

- ullet A motive force.
- Motive power.
- Motive pleas.





Associations of "Motives" (30 Words)

The quality of being powerfully and mysteriously attractive or fascinating.

People for whom gold holds no **allure**.

(of a work or remark) able to be ascribed to a particular author, artist, or

attributable speaker.

43 percent of all deaths in Ireland were **attributable** to cardiovascular

disease.

auditory Relating to the sense of hearing.

Auditory processing.

bonus An extra and unexpected advantage.

Big Christmas **bonus**es.



cause Give rise to cause to happen or occur not always intentionally.

Cause an accident.

conditioned A Physically fit. A conditioned response.

The application of current to the winding of an electromagnet to produce a

excitation magnetic field.

Two parallel coils with opposing **excitation** windings.

excitingCausing great enthusiasm and eagerness.

One of the most **exciting** matches I ve ever seen.

fraudulent Obtained, done by, or involving deception, especially criminal deception.

Fraudulent share dealing.

The force or energy with which a body moves.

The ending of the Cold War gave new **impetus** to idealism.

A thing that motivates or encourages someone to do something.

Tax **incentive**s for investing in depressed areas.

inducement Act of bringing about a desired result.

It is claimed that she was offered an **inducement** to plead guilty.

The process of being mentally stimulated to do or feel something, especially

inspiration to do something creative.

Crackling sounds are heard in the stethoscope on **inspiration**.

inspiring Having the effect of inspiring someone.

The scenery is not very **inspiring**.

irritant. Causing slight inflammation or other discomfort to the body.

A powerful skin **irritant**.

Something used to lure fish or other animals into danger so they can be

<u>lure</u> trapped or killed.

He **lure**d me into temptation.

Request (something) and present facts and arguments in support of one's

motivate request.

He was primarily **motivate**d by the desire for profit.

The psychological feature that arouses an organism to action toward a desired goal; the reason for the action; that which gives purpose and

motivation direction to behavior.

Keep staff up to date and maintain interest and **motivation**.

motivator A person who promotes interest in or enthusiasm for something.

Fear is a powerful **motivator**.

optimism A general disposition to expect the best in all things.

The talks had been amicable and there were grounds for **optimism**.



Any object of warm affection or devotion.

Their all consuming **passion** for each other.

provocation Action or speech held to be likely to prompt physical retaliation.

The result was a **provocation** of vigorous investigation.

reason Present reasons and arguments.

The **reason** that war was declared.

In reflexology a response in a part of the body to stimulation of a

reflex corresponding point on the feet hands or head.

Sneezing is **reflex**ive.

stimulate Cause to occur rapidly.

The reader could not fail to be **stimulate**d by the ideas presented.

stimulating That stimulates.

A rich and **stimulating** working environment.

stimulation (physiology) the effect of a stimulus (on nerves or organs etc.

The child needs plenty of **stimulation** as bored hands can make mischief.

A thing that arouses activity or energy in someone or something; a spur or

stimulus incentive.

She loved the **stimulus** of the job.

titillate Excite pleasurably or erotically.

The press are paid to **titillate** the public.

Spur on or encourage especially by cheers and shouts.

Sexual urges.



