

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

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**The synonyms of “Plead” are: beg, entreat, beseech, implore, appeal to, petition, supplicate, importune, pray to, request, ask earnestly, call on, adjure, claim, use as an excuse, assert, allege**

## Plead as a Verb

### Definitions of "Plead" as a verb

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

- *Offer as an excuse or plea.*
- *Enter a plea, as in courts of law.*
- *Present and argue for (a position), especially in court or in another public context.*
- *Make an allegation in an action or other legal proceeding, especially answer the previous pleading of the other party by denying facts therein stated or by alleging new facts.*
- *Address a court as an advocate on behalf of a party.*
- *Offer or present as an excuse for doing or not doing something.*
- *Appeal or request earnestly.*
- *Invoke (a reason or a point of law) as an accusation or defence.*
- *State formally in court whether one is guilty or not guilty of the offence with which one is charged.*
- *Make an emotional appeal.*



## Synonyms of "Plead" as a verb (17 Words)

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| <b>adjure</b>         | Command solemnly.<br><i>I <b>adjure</b> you to tell me the truth.</i>  |
| <b>allege</b>         | Report or maintain.<br><i>He <b>alleged</b> that he was the victim of a crime.</i>                                   |
| <b>appeal to</b>      | Cite as an authority; resort to.   |
| <b>ask earnestly</b>  | Inquire about.   |
| <b><u>assert</u></b>  | Assert to be true.<br><i>It was time to <b>assert</b> himself.</i>   |
| <b><u>beg</u></b>     | Acquire food or money from someone by begging.<br><i>They had to <b>beg</b> for food.</i>                            |
| <b><u>beseech</u></b> | Ask (someone) urgently and fervently to do something; implore; entreat.<br><i>They <b>beseech</b>ed him to stay.</i> |
| <b>call on</b>        | Indicate a decision in regard to.  |
| <b>claim</b>          | Lay claim to as of an idea.<br><i>They <b>claimed</b> on the maximum allowable amount.</i>                           |



**entreat**

Ask someone earnestly or anxiously to do something.

*His friends **entreated** him not to go.*

**implore**

Call upon in supplication; entreat.

*I **implore** mercy.*

**importune**

Approach (someone) to request or offer sexual services, especially as a prostitute.

*Reporters **importuned** him with pointed questions.*

**petition**

Write a petition for something to somebody request formally and in writing.

*The custodial parent **petitioned** the court for payment of the arrears.*

**pray to**

Address a deity, a prophet, a saint or an object of worship; say a prayer.

**request**

Express the need or desire for.

*The letter **requested** him to report to London.*

**supplicate**

Make a humble, earnest petition.

*He **supplicated** the King for clemency.*

**use as an excuse** Avail oneself to.



## Usage Examples of "Plead" as a verb

- *'Don't go,' she pleaded.*
- *She was pleading insanity.*
- *The idea that in public relations work someone is paid to plead a special case is disliked.*
- *On trial for attempted murder, she pleaded self-defence.*
- *He pleaded family commitments as a reason for not attending.*
- *I pleaded with him to stop.*
- *She pleaded with them not to gag the boy.*
- *The youth pleaded guilty to murdering the girl.*
- *She pleaded not guilty.*
- *The Constitution prohibits a retired Supreme Court judge from pleading before any court.*
- *Anne pleaded to go with her.*





## Associations of "Plead" (30 Words)

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| <b>accost</b>             | Approach and address (someone) boldly or aggressively.<br><i>Reporters <b>accosted</b> him in the street.</i>  |
| <b>appeal</b>             | A request for donations to support a charity or cause.<br><i><b>Appeal</b> to somebody for help.</i>   |
| <b>asking</b>             | The verbal act of requesting.  |
| <u><b>beg</b></u>         | Acquire food or money from someone by begging.<br><i>He <b>begged</b> their forgiveness.</i>   |
| <u><b>beseech</b></u>     | Ask (someone) urgently and fervently to do something; implore; entreat.<br><i>They <b>beseached</b> him to stay.</i>   |
| <b>cadge</b>              | A padded wooden frame on which hooded hawks are carried to the field.<br><i>He <b>cadged</b> fivers off old school friends.</i>  |
| <u><b>conjure</b></u>     | Call (an image) to the mind.<br><i>She <b>conjured</b> him to return.</i>  |
| <u><b>desperately</b></u> | In intense despair.<br><i>He <b>desperately</b> needed a drink.</i>  |
| <u><b>entreat</b></u>     | Ask for or request earnestly.<br><i>His friends <b>entreated</b> him not to go.</i>  |
| <b>entreaty</b>           | An earnest or humble request.<br><i>An <b>entreaty</b> to stop the fighting.</i>   |
| <b>exhortation</b>        | An address or communication emphatically urging someone to do something.<br><i>No amount of <b>exhortation</b> had any effect.</i>   |
| <b>implore</b>            | Beg earnestly for.<br><i>Please don't talk that way Ellen <b>implored</b>.</i>   |
| <u><b>invitation</b></u>  | A situation or action that tempts someone to do something or makes a particular outcome likely.<br><i>A herb garden where guests can only go at the <b>invitation</b> of the chef.</i> |
| <b>invite</b>             | Invite someone to one's house.<br><i>We <b>invited</b> the neighbors in for a cup of coffee.</i>   |
| <b>lamentation</b>        | The passionate expression of grief or sorrow; weeping.<br><i>Scenes of <b>lamentation</b>.</i>   |
| <b>necessary</b>          | The action or item needed.<br><i>It's not <b>necessary</b> for you to be here.</i>   |
| <b>perforce</b>           | Used to express necessity or inevitability.<br><i>Amateurs <b>perforce</b> have to settle for less expensive solutions.</i>  |

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| <b><u>petition</u></b>     | Write a petition for something to somebody request formally and in writing.<br><i>The Act allowed couples to <b>petition</b> for divorce after one year of marriage.</i>                 |
| <b><u>plea</u></b>         | (law) a defendant's answer by a factual matter (as distinguished from a demurrer).<br><i>He changed his <b>plea</b> to not guilty.</i>   |
| <b><u>please</u></b>       | Satisfy aesthetically.<br><i>She was quiet and eager to <b>please</b>.</i>   |
| <b><u>pray</u></b>         | Address a deity a prophet a saint or an object of worship say a prayer.<br><i>I <b>prayed</b> that James wouldn't notice.</i>  |
| <b><u>prayer</u></b>       | A religious service, especially a regular one, at which people gather in order to pray together.<br><i>500 people were detained as they attended Friday <b>prayers</b>.</i>              |
| <b>request</b>             | A tune or song played on a radio programme typically accompanied by a personal message in response to a listener's request.<br><i>I <b>requested</b> information from the secretary.</i> |
| <b><u>solicit</u></b>      | Make a solicitation or petition for something desired.<br><i>He was accused of <b>soliciting</b> his colleagues to destroy the documents.</i>  |
| <b><u>solicitation</u></b> | The act of accosting someone and offering one's or someone else's services as a prostitute.<br><i>People objected to receiving telephone <b>solicitations</b>.</i>                       |
| <b>suppliant</b>           | A person making a humble or earnest plea to someone in power or authority.<br><i>A <b>suppliant</b> for her favors.</i>  |
| <b>supplicant</b>          | Making or expressing a plea, especially to someone in power or authority.<br><i>We are equals and not <b>supplicants</b> begging for work.</i>   |
| <b>supplicate</b>          | Ask humbly (for something).<br><i><b>Supplicate</b> for permission.</i>  |
| <b>supplication</b>        | The act of communicating with a deity (especially as a petition or in adoration or contrition or thanksgiving).<br><i>He fell to his knees in <b>supplication</b>.</i>                   |
| <b>woo</b>                 | Seek the favour, support, or custom of.<br><i>He <b>wooed</b> her with quotes from Shakespeare.</i>  |



