

Need another word that means the same as “postpone”? Find 21 synonyms and 30 related words for “postpone” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Postpone” are: defer, hold over, prorogue, put off, put over, remit, set back, shelve, table, delay, put back, hold off, carry over, reschedule, adjourn, stay, stand over, pigeonhole, keep in abeyance, suspend, mothball

Postpone as a Verb

Definitions of "Postpone" as a verb

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

- *Hold back to a later time.*
- *Cause or arrange for (something) to take place at a time later than that first scheduled.*



Synonyms of "Postpone" as a verb (21 Words)

adjourn	(of a group of people) go somewhere for rest or refreshment. <i>Sentence was adjourned for a social inquiry report.</i>
carry over	Continue or extend.
defer	(of a judge) postpone (a sentence) so that the circumstances or conduct of the defendant can be further assessed. <i>They deferred the decision until February.</i>
delay	Cause to be slowed down or delayed. <i>Time being of the essence they delayed no longer.</i>
hold off	Drink alcohol without showing ill effects.
hold over	Bind by an obligation; cause to be indebted.
keep in abeyance	Retain possession of.
mothball	Store clothes with mothballs. <i>It would cost the company a lot of money just to mothball the mine.</i>
pigeonhole	Put a document in a pigeonhole. <i>I was pigeonholed as a youth writer.</i>
prorogue	Discontinue a session of (a parliament or other legislative assembly) without dissolving it. <i>James prorogued this Parliament never to call another one.</i>
put back	Cause to be in a certain state; cause to be in a certain relation.
put off	Make an investment.
put over	Put into a certain place or abstract location.
<u>remit</u>	Consign again to a previous state. <i>God's act of remitting the sins of guilty men.</i>
reschedule	Change the time of (a planned event). <i>The concert has been rescheduled for September.</i>
set back	Disappear beyond the horizon.
shelve	Fit with shelves. <i>One whole long wall was shelved.</i>
stand over	Withstand the force of something.
stay	Stay the same remain in a certain state. <i>There are some cases the Crown feels so serious they don't want to stay the charges.</i>
suspend	Hang freely. <i>Suspend payments on the loan.</i>

table Strengthen (a sail) by making a hem at the edge.
*More than 200 amendments to the bill have already been **tabled**.*

Usage Examples of "Postpone" as a verb

- *The visit had to be postponed for some time.*
- *Let's postpone the exam.*
- *He postponed implementing the scheme until industry and business were consulted.*

Associations of "Postpone" (30 Words)

adjourn Close at the end of a session.
*They **adjourned** to a local pub.*

ambiguously So as to be open to doubt or uncertainty.
*The new clause is **ambiguously** worded.*

cancellation The act of cancelling; calling off some arrangement.
*All **cancellations** on documents must be made indelibly.*

continued Without a break in continuity; ongoing.
*To insure the **continued** success of the war.*

dangle Cause to dangle or hang freely.
*The defence portfolio could be the carrot to **dangle** before him.*

defer (of a judge) postpone (a sentence) so that the circumstances or conduct of the defendant can be further assessed.
*The judge **deferred** sentence until 5 April for background reports.*

delay An electronic device which introduces a delay especially in an audio signal.
*The train was **delayed**.*

extended Fully extended or stretched forth.
*His **extended** legs reached almost across the small room.*

fidget A person who fidgets.
*The child is always **fidgiting** in his seat.*

hinder Hinder or prevent the progress or accomplishment of.
*Language barriers **hindered** communication between scientists.*

impede Be a hindrance or obstacle to.
*The sap causes swelling which can **impede** breathing.*

indefinitely To an indefinite extent; for an indefinite time.
*An **indefinitely** large number of channels.*

<u>infinite</u>	A space or quantity that is infinite. <i>Infinite verb form.</i>
jitter	Of a signal or device suffer from jitter. <i>An anxious student who jittered at any provocation.</i>
perfectible	Capable of becoming or being made perfect.
postdate	Establish something as being later relative to something else.
postponement	The action of postponing something; deferral. <i>After repeated postponements the new museum is officially open.</i>
<u>procrastinate</u>	Postpone doing what one should be doing. <i>He did not want to write the letter and procrastinated for days.</i>
<u>procrastination</u>	The action of delaying or postponing something. <i>Your first tip is to avoid procrastination.</i>
prolongation	The act of prolonging something. <i>An agreement on further prolongation of the boundary proved difficult.</i>
prorogue	Hold back to a later time. <i>James prorogued this Parliament never to call another one.</i>
<u>remit</u>	Law the act of remitting especially the referral of a law case to another court. <i>The excess of the sentence over 12 months was remitted.</i>
reschedule	Assign a new time and place for an event. <i>The concert has been rescheduled for September.</i>
shelve	Fit with shelves. <i>One whole long wall was shelved.</i>
suspend	(of a judge or court) cause (an imposed sentence) not to be enforced as long as no further offence is committed within a specified period. <i>Work on the dam was suspended.</i>
tarry	Having the characteristics of pitch or tar. <i>A length of tarry rope.</i>
temporize	Draw out a discussion or process in order to gain time. <i>The speaker temporized in order to delay the vote.</i>
unlimited	(of a problem) having an infinite number of solutions. <i>To start with a theory of unlimited freedom is to end up with unlimited despotism.</i>
vaguely	In a way that is unfocused or lacks attention; absent-mindedly. <i>He nodded vaguely.</i>