

Need another word that means the same as "postulate"? Find 41 synonyms and 30 related words for "postulate" in this overview.

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The synonyms of "Postulate" are: contend, posit, ask, call for, demand, involve, necessitate, need, require, take, put forward, suggest, advance, hypothesize, take as a hypothesis, propose, assume, presuppose, suppose, presume, predicate, take for granted, theorize, hypothesis, thesis, conjecture, supposition, speculation, postulation, proposition, premise, surmise, assumption, presupposition, notion, guess, hunch, feeling, suspicion

Postulate as a Noun

Definitions of "Postulate" as a noun

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

- A thing suggested or assumed as true as the basis for reasoning, discussion, or belief.
- (logic) a proposition that is accepted as true in order to provide a basis for logical reasoning.
- A proposition that is accepted as true in order to provide a basis for logical reasoning.
- An assumption used as a basis for mathematical reasoning.





Synonyms of "Postulate" as a noun (18 Words)

| assumption | The act of taking possession of or power over something. They made certain assumption s about the market. |
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| <u>conjecture</u> | An unproven mathematical or scientific theorem. A matter for conjecture . |
| feeling | The sensation of touching or being touched by a particular thing. She says I have a feeling for medicine. |
| guess | An estimate or conclusion formed by guessing. My guess is that within a year we will have a referendum. |
| hunch | A humped position or thing. I have a hunch that someone is telling lies. |
| hypothesis | A message expressing an opinion based on incomplete evidence. A scientific hypothesis that survives experimental testing becomes a scientific theory. |



| notion | Small personal articles or clothing or sewing items. Children have different notion s about the roles of their parents. |
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| <u>posit</u> | A proposition that is accepted as true in order to provide a basis for logical reasoning. |
| postulation | A formal message requesting something that is submitted to an authority. <i>The</i> postulation of the existence of a lost continent. |
| premise | A statement that is assumed to be true and from which a conclusion can be drawn. If the premise is true then the conclusion must be true. |
| <u>presumption</u> | A kind of discourtesy in the form of an act of presuming. <i>His presumption was intolerable.</i> |
| presupposition | The action or state of presupposing or being presupposed. Both men shared certain ethical presuppositions about the universe. |
| <u>proposition</u> | (logic) a statement that affirms or denies something and is either true or false. The proposition that high taxation is undesirable. |
| speculation | An investment that is very risky but could yield great profits. <i>The company s move into property</i> speculation . |
| supposition | The cognitive process of supposing. They were working on the supposition that his death was murder. |
| <u>surmise</u> | A message expressing an opinion based on incomplete evidence. <i>All these observations remain surmise</i> . |
| <u>suspicion</u> | The state of being suspected. She had a sneaking suspicion that he was laughing at her. |
| <u>thesis</u> | A long essay or dissertation involving personal research, written by a candidate for a university degree. A doctoral thesis . |

Usage Examples of "Postulate" as a noun

• Perhaps the postulate of Babylonian influence on Greek astronomy is incorrect.

Postulate as a Verb

Definitions of "Postulate" as a verb

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



- Maintain or assert.
- Suggest or assume the existence, fact, or truth of (something) as a basis for reasoning, discussion, or belief.
- (in ecclesiastical law) nominate or elect (someone) to an ecclesiastical office subject to the sanction of a higher authority.
- Require as useful, just, or proper.
- Take as a given; assume as a postulate or axiom.

Synonyms of "Postulate" as a verb (23 Words)

| advance | Pay in advance. We have to advance clocks and watches when we travel eastward. |
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| ask | Require or ask for as a price or condition. Do you want to ask him along. |
| <u>assume</u> | Occupy or take on. Topics which assume detailed knowledge of local events. |
| call for | Make a prediction about; tell in advance. |
| <u>contend</u> | Come to terms with. He contend ed that Communism had no future. |
| demand | Ask authoritatively or brusquely. A complex activity demand ing detailed knowledge. |
| <u>hypothesize</u> | Put (something) forward as a hypothesis. He hypothesize d that the black market would naturally die out. |
| <u>involve</u> | Contain as a part. My job involve s a lot of travelling. |
| <u>necessitate</u> | Require as useful, just, or proper. A cut which necessitate d eighteen stitches. |
| need | Have need of. I need help now. |
| <u>posit</u> | Put in position place. The Confucian view posit s a perfectible human nature. |
| <u>predicate</u> | Make the grammatical predicate in a proposition. The speech predicate d the fitness of the candidate to be President. |
| <u>presume</u> | Suppose that something is the case on the basis of probability. Two of the journalists went missing and are presume d dead. |
| presuppose | Require as a precondition of possibility or coherence. Their original prediction presuppose d a universe only three billion years old. |



| <u>propose</u> | Propose or intend. Roy Thomson was propose d as chairman. |
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| put forward | Make an investment. |
| require | Require as useful just or proper. You will be require d to attend for cross examination. |
| <u>suggest</u> | Suggest the necessity of an intervention in medicine. The seduction scenes suggest his guilt and her loneliness. |
| <u>suppose</u> | Expect believe or suppose. <i>Suppose</i> we leave this to the police. |
| take | Get into one s hands take physically. Billie was very take n with him. |
| take as a hypothesis Make use of or accept for some purpose. | |
| take for granted | Lay claim to; as of an idea. |
| <u>theorize</u> | To believe especially on uncertain or tentative grounds. The classic model of war in the modern era was theorize d by the Prussian general and strategist Karl von Clausewitz. |

Usage Examples of "Postulate" as a verb

- This intervention does not postulate a patient's consent.
- She postulated that the environmentalists might have a case.
- The chapter was then allowed to postulate the bishop of Bath.
- *His theory postulated a rotatory movement for hurricanes.*

Associations of "Postulate" (30 Words)

| argue | Have an argument about something. I wasn t going to argue with a gun. |
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| assertion | The act of affirming or asserting or stating something. His assertion that his father had deserted the family. |
| <u>battle</u> | Battle or contend against in or as if in a battle. Grant won a decisive victory in the battle of Chickamauga. |
| bellicose | Demonstrating aggression and willingness to fight. <i>Bellicose</i> young officers. |
| claim | Ask for legally or make a legal claim to as of debts for example. <i>He staked his claim.</i> |



| collide | Cause to collide. <i>Two suburban trains collide</i> d. |
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| <u>compete</u> | Compete for something engage in a contest measure oneself against others. <i>No one can compete with his physical prowess.</i> |
| conflict | Be in conflict. The date for the match conflict ed with a religious festival. |
| <u>contend</u> | Be engaged in a fight; carry on a fight. He contend ed that Communism had no future. |
| <u>contention</u> | A contentious speech act; a dispute where there is strong disagreement. <i>The captured territory was the main area of</i> contention <i>between the two countries.</i> |
| <u>contentious</u> | Involving or likely to cause controversy. The socio economic plan had been the subject of contentious debate. |
| <u>declaration</u> | The highest bid becomes the contract setting the number of tricks that the bidder must make. <i>The declaration of war.</i> |
| declaratory | Having the function of declaring or explaining something. The decision was declaratory of the law. |
| <u>declare</u> | Declare to be. He declare d that he was innocent. |
| deferment | Act of putting off to a future time. <i>He was granted five deferments from the draft.</i> |
| demonstrator | Someone who participates in a public display of group feeling. The dealer represented the car to be new when it had been used as a demonstrator . |
| <u>discord</u> | Disagreement among those expected to cooperate. We discord ed commonly on two points. |
| <u>posit</u> | A proposition that is accepted as true in order to provide a basis for logical reasoning. She posit ed her hand on his shoulder. |
| proffer | A proposal offered for acceptance or rejection. <i>She proffered a glass of wine.</i> |
| <u>prolong</u> | Extend in spatial length. The line of his lips was prolong ed in a short red scar. |
| protester | A person who dissents from some established policy. <i>The decision was hailed by</i> protester s <i>against the closure as a triumph.</i> |
| refutable | Able to be refuted. |



| <u>rivalry</u> | Competition for the same objective or for superiority in the same field. <i>There always has been intense rivalry between the clubs.</i> |
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| skirmish | Engage in a skirmish. The unit was caught in several skirmish es and the commanding officer was killed. |
| strife | Lack of agreement or harmony. Decades of civil strife . |
| strive | To exert much effort or energy. Scholars must strive against bias. |
| struggle | Climb awkwardly, as if by scrambling. She struggle d for years to survive without welfare. |
| threaten | To utter intentions of injury or punishment against. The clouds threaten rain. |
| vie | Compete eagerly with someone in order to do or achieve something. The athletes were vying for a place in the British team. |
| wrangling | An instance of intense argument (as in bargaining. Weeks of political wrangling . |