

Need another word that means the same as “practical”? Find 54 synonyms and 30 related words for “practical” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Practical” are: hard-nosed, hardheaded, pragmatic, virtual, empirical, hands-on, real, actual, active, applied, experiential, experimental, in the field, feasible, practicable, realistic, viable, workable, possible, reasonable, sensible, useful, helpful, constructive, functional, serviceable, utilitarian, utility, everyday, workaday, ordinary, businesslike, rational, commonsensical, no-nonsense, with both feet on the ground, skilful, skilled, dexterous, deft, nimble-fingered, adroit, able, adept, proficient, capable, effective, in effect, test, exam, paper, question paper, oral, assessment

Practical as a Noun

Definitions of "Practical" as a noun

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

- *An examination or lesson in which theories and procedures learned are applied to the actual making or doing of something.*



Synonyms of "Practical" as a noun (6 Words)

assessment	The classification of someone or something with respect to its worth. <i>Assessments of market value.</i>
exam	A medical test of a specified kind. <i>Routine eye exams.</i>
oral	An examination conducted by spoken communication. <i>A French oral.</i>
paper	A newspaper. <i>The personal papers of major political figures.</i>
question paper	The subject matter at issue.
test	The act of undergoing testing. <i>Four fax modems are on test.</i>



Practical as an Adjective

Definitions of "Practical" as an adjective

According to the [Oxford Dictionary of English](#), "practical" as an adjective can have the following definitions:

- *(of an idea, plan, or method) likely to succeed or be effective in real circumstances; feasible.*
- *(of a person) skilled at manual tasks.*
- *Being actually such in almost every respect.*
- *So nearly the case that it can be regarded as so; virtual.*
- *Concerned with actual use or practice.*
- *Suitable for a particular purpose.*
- *Of or concerned with the actual doing or use of something rather than with theory and ideas.*

- (of a person) sensible and realistic in their approach to a situation or problem.
- Guided by practical experience and observation rather than theory.
- Having or put to a practical purpose or use.



Synonyms of "Practical" as an adjective (48 Words)

[able](#)

Having considerable skill proficiency or intelligence.
*He was **able** to read Greek at the age of eight.*

active

(of an electric circuit) capable of modifying its state or characteristics automatically in response to input or feedback.
*I couldn't feel the baby moving and it was normally very **active**.*

[actual](#)

Presently existing in fact and not merely potential or possible.
*The ship's **actual** position is 22 miles due south of Key West.*

adept

Very skilled or proficient at something.
*An **adept** juggler.*

adroit	Clever or skilful. <i>An adroit negotiator.</i>
<u>applied</u>	(of a subject of study) put to practical use as opposed to being theoretical. <i>Applied chemistry.</i>
businesslike	(of clothing, furniture, etc.) designed or appearing to be practical rather than decorative. <i>His brisk businesslike tone.</i>
<u>capable</u>	Open to or admitting of something. <i>I m quite capable of taking care of myself.</i>
commonsensical	Exhibiting native good judgment. <i>Unlearned and commonsensical countryfolk were capable of solving problems that beset the more sophisticated.</i>
<u>constructive</u>	Having or intended to have a useful or beneficial purpose. <i>Constructive permission.</i>
<u>deft</u>	Skillful in physical movements; especially of the hands. <i>A deft waiter.</i>
dexterous	Skillful in physical movements; especially of the hands. <i>Dexterous of hand and inventive of mind.</i>
effective	Able to accomplish a purpose functioning effectively G B Shaw. <i>Effective teaching methods.</i>
<u>empirical</u>	Derived from experiment and observation rather than theory. <i>Empirical data.</i>
<u>everyday</u>	Found in the ordinary course of events- Anita Diamant. <i>Everyday drugs like aspirin.</i>
<u>experiential</u>	Derived from experience or the experience of existence. <i>The experiential learning associated with employment.</i>
<u>experimental</u>	Based on experience as opposed to authority or conjecture. <i>An experimental knowledge of God.</i>
feasible	Likely; probable. <i>The most feasible explanation.</i>
functional	Designed for or capable of a particular function or use. <i>A small functional bathroom.</i>
hands-on	Involving active participation.
hard-nosed	Guided by practical experience and observation rather than theory.

hardheaded	Unreasonably rigid in the face of argument or entreaty or attack. <i>A hardheaded appraisal of our position.</i>
helpful	Useful. <i>Helpful staff.</i>
in effect	Directed or bound inward.
in the field	Currently fashionable.
nimble-fingered	Having nimble fingers literally or figuratively; especially for stealing or picking pockets- Harry Hansen.
no-nonsense	Not tolerating irrelevancies.
ordinary	Not interesting or exceptional; commonplace. <i>Ordinary decency.</i>
<u>possible</u>	Existing in possibility. <i>The team have taken just three points from a possible twelve.</i>
practicable	Usable for a specific purpose. <i>The measures will be put into effect as soon as is reasonably practicable.</i>
<u>pragmatic</u>	Relating to pragmatics. <i>A matter of fact or pragmatic approach to the problem.</i>
proficient	Of or relating to technique or proficiency in a practical skill. <i>She felt reasonably proficient in Italian.</i>
rational	Capable of being expressed as a quotient of integers. <i>The triumph of the rational over the animal side of man.</i>
real	Coinciding with reality. <i>Real war.</i>
<u>realistic</u>	Representing things in a way that is accurate and true to life. <i>A realistic novel.</i>
reasonable	As much as is appropriate or fair; moderate. <i>They are lovely shoes and very reasonable.</i>
sensible	Readily perceived by the senses. <i>Even amoeba are sensible creatures.</i>
serviceable	Functional and durable rather than attractive. <i>A serviceable kitchen gadget.</i>
skilful	Having or showing knowledge and skill and aptitude. <i>A skilful midfielder.</i>
skilled	(of work) requiring special abilities or training. <i>A highly skilled job.</i>

useful	Having a useful function. <i>A useful pace bowler.</i>
utilitarian	Relating to or adhering to the doctrine of utilitarianism. <i>A utilitarian building.</i>
<u>utility</u>	Capable of substituting in any of several positions on a team. <i>A utility infielder.</i>
viable	(of a fetus or unborn child) able to live after birth. <i>A viable fetus.</i>
<u>virtual</u>	Existing in essence or effect though not in actual fact. <i>Virtual reality.</i>
with both feet on the ground	Two considered together; the two.
<u>workable</u>	Capable of producing the desired effect or result; practicable; feasible. <i>A workable peace settlement.</i>
workaday	Not special, unusual, or interesting; ordinary. <i>Your humble workaday PC.</i>



Usage Examples of "Practical" as an adjective

- *Practical mathematics.*
- *Practical applications of calculus.*
- *A practical, stylish kitchen.*
- *Steve'll fix it—he's quite practical.*
- *I'm merely being practical—we must find a ground-floor flat.*
- *Completely practical in his approach to business.*
- *The idea had no practical application.*
- *A practical knowledge of Japanese.*
- *Neither of these strategies are practical for smaller businesses.*
- *A practical failure.*
- *There are two obvious practical applications of the research.*
- *He is a very practical person.*
- *Woodworking is a practical art.*
- *For all practical purposes, she's his girlfriend.*



Associations of "Practical" (30 Words)

actual	Taking place in reality; not pretended or imitated. <i>The predicted temperature and the actual temperature were markedly different.</i>
actuality	Existing conditions or facts. <i>A hope that progressed from possibility to actuality.</i>
actually	Used when expressing a contradictory or unexpected opinion or correcting someone. <i>She actually spoke Latin.</i>
applied	Concerned with concrete problems or data rather than with fundamental principles. <i>Technical problems in medicine engineering economics and other applied disciplines.</i>
authentic	(of a church mode) containing notes between the final (the principal note) and the note an octave higher. <i>Every detail of the film was totally authentic.</i>
conceivably	It is conceivable or imaginable that. <i>It may conceivably cause liver disease.</i>
convenient	Large and roomy convenient is archaic in this sense. <i>The new car park will make shopping much more convenient.</i>
cyberspace	A computer network consisting of a worldwide network of computer networks that use the TCP/IP network protocols to facilitate data transmission and exchange. <i>I stayed in cyberspace for just a few minutes.</i>
down-to-earth	Once thought to be one of four elements composing the universe (Empedocles).
facilitation	(neurophysiology) phenomenon that occurs when two or more neural impulses that alone are not enough to trigger a response in a neuron combine to trigger an action potential. <i>The response is dependent on the frequency of stimulation and on neuromuscular facilitation.</i>
functional	Relating to the way in which something works or operates. <i>The museum will be fully functional from the opening of the festival.</i>
illiteracy	An inability to read. <i>The ineffective educational system meant that illiteracy was widespread.</i>
knowable	Capable of being known. <i>The full extent of the damage isn't knowable in advance.</i>

likelihood	The state or fact of something's being likely; probability. <i>Situations where there is a likelihood of violence.</i>
positivistic	Of or relating to positivism.
pragmatic	Relating to pragmatics. <i>A matter of fact or pragmatic approach to the problem.</i>
pragmatist	A person who is guided more by practical considerations than by ideals. <i>Hardheaded pragmatists firmly rooted in the real world.</i>
programming	Creating a sequence of instructions to enable the computer to do something. <i>The programming of shows.</i>
real	Coinciding with reality F A Olafson. <i>His real name is James.</i>
realistic	Aware or expressing awareness of things as they really are. <i>A realistic appraisal of our chances.</i>
reality	Relating to reality TV. <i>Laura was losing touch with reality.</i>
realized	Successfully completed or brought to an end. <i>The joy of a realized ambition overcame him.</i>
serviceable	In working order. <i>Heavy serviceable fabrics.</i>
sooth	Truth or reality. <i>In sooth.</i>
substantive	(of a rank or appointment) not acting or temporary; permanent. <i>Substantive law.</i>
useful	Having a useful function. <i>The girl felt motherly and useful.</i>
usefulness	The quality or fact of being useful. <i>Faults that affect the book s usefulness.</i>
utilitarian	Relating to or adhering to the doctrine of utilitarianism. <i>Plain utilitarian kitchenware.</i>
verisimilitude	The appearance of being true or real. <i>The detail gives the novel some verisimilitude.</i>
virtual	Existing in essence or effect though not in actual fact. <i>The once elegant temple lay in virtual ruin.</i>

