

Need another word that means the same as “preemptive”? Find 1 synonym and 30 related words for “preemptive” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Preemptive” are: pre-emptive

Preemptive as an Adjective

Definitions of "Preemptive" as an adjective

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

- *Designed or having the power to deter or prevent an anticipated situation or occurrence.*

Synonyms of "Preemptive" as an adjective (1 Word)

pre-emptive Designed or having the power to deter or prevent an anticipated situation or occurrence.

Usage Examples of "Preemptive" as an adjective

- *A preemptive business offer.*

Associations of "Preemptive" (30 Words)

above Higher in grade or rank.
*See **above**.*

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| affiliate | A subordinate or subsidiary associate a person who is affiliated with another or with an organization. <i>The two colleges affiliated.</i> |
| anterior | (of a part of a flower or leaf) situated further away from the main stem. <i>An incident anterior to her troubles.</i> |
| contraceptive | (of a method or device) serving to prevent pregnancy. <i>Contraceptive devices and medications.</i> |
| defence | (military) military action or resources protecting a country against potential enemies. <i>Methods of defence against this kind of attack.</i> |
| forego | Lose (s.th.) or lose the right to (s.th.) by some error, offense, or crime. |
| forethought | Careful consideration of what will be necessary or may happen in the future. <i>Jim had the forethought to book in advance.</i> |
| former | Denoting the first or first mentioned of two people or things. <i>Our former glory.</i> |
| formerly | In the past; in earlier times. <i>The building formerly housed the National Assembly.</i> |
| front | The part of a garment covering a person's front. <i>The west front of the Cathedral.</i> |
| guard | The person who plays the position of guard on a basketball team. <i>An insurance policy is a good safeguard.</i> |
| helmet | The arched upper part (galea) of the corolla in some flowers, especially those of the mint and orchid families. |
| hiding | A physical beating. <i>They caught him and gave him a hiding.</i> |
| hinderance | Something immaterial that interferes with or delays action or progress. |
| precaution | A precautionary measure warding off impending danger or damage or injury etc. <i>He put an ice pack on the injury as a precaution.</i> |
| precedent | A system of jurisprudence based on judicial precedents rather than statutory laws. <i>There are substantial precedents for using interactive media in training.</i> |
| preclusive | Preventing something from happening; restrictive. <i>Grounds for preclusive intervention.</i> |
| predate | Be earlier in time; go back further. <i>Here parish boundaries seem clearly to predate Roman roads.</i> |

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| prefatory | Serving as an introduction; introductory. <i>In his prefatory remarks the author claims that.</i> |
| prematurely | Before the end of the normal period of gestation. <i>I spoke prematurely.</i> |
| premeditation | Planning or plotting in advance of acting. <i>The defendant said there was no planning or premeditation.</i> |
| preventive | Preventing or contributing to the prevention of disease. <i>Quinine was used as a malaria preventive.</i> |
| prior | The head of a religious order in an abbey the prior is next below the abbot. <i>He has a prior engagement this evening.</i> |
| prohibitory | Tending to discourage (especially of prices). |
| prophylactic | A condom. <i>I took malaria prophylactics.</i> |
| protective | A condom. <i>An effectual protective against the midge.</i> |
| safe | Financially safe. <i>They had returned safe and sound.</i> |
| safety | The state of being certain that adverse effects will not be caused by some agent under defined conditions. <i>He ran to safety.</i> |
| sanctuary | A consecrated place where sacred objects are kept. <i>The inner sanctuary where the reliquary was kept.</i> |