

Need another word that means the same as “prefer”? Find 29 synonyms and 30 related words for “prefer” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Prefer” are: choose, opt, favor, favour, like better, be more partial to, incline towards, lean towards, think preferable, bring, press, file, lodge, tender, present, place, lay, submit, put forward, proffer, offer, propose, promote, upgrade, advance, raise, move up, elevate, aggrandize

Prefer as a Verb

Definitions of "Prefer" as a verb

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

- *Give preference to one creditor over another.*
- *Select as an alternative over another.*
- *Submit (a charge or a piece of information) for consideration.*
- *Promote or advance (someone) to a prestigious position.*
- *Like (one thing or person) better than another or others; tend to choose.*
- *Like better; value more highly.*
- *Promote over another.*



Synonyms of "Prefer" as a verb (29 Words)

advance	Pay in advance. <i>Can you advance me some money.</i>
aggrandize	Add details to. <i>An action intended to aggrandize the Frankish dynasty.</i>
be more partial to	Have the quality of being; (copula, used with an adjective or a predicate noun.)
bring	Bring into a different state. <i>This brings me to the main point.</i>
choose	Pick out select or choose from a number of alternatives. <i>There are many versions to choose from.</i>
elevate	Increase the level of (something). <i>She ordered the bishop celebrating Mass in her chapel not to elevate the Host.</i>
favor	Consider as the favorite. <i>He favours his second daughter.</i>
favour	Work to the advantage of. <i>Please favour me with an answer.</i>

file	File a formal charge against. <i>The company had filed for bankruptcy.</i>
incline towards	Make receptive or willing towards an action or attitude or belief.
lay	Locate an episode in a play novel etc in a particular place. <i>This hen doesn't lay.</i>
lean towards	Have a tendency or disposition to do or be something; be inclined.
like better	Be fond of.
lodge	Be a lodger stay temporarily. <i>He has 28 days in which to lodge an appeal.</i>
move up	Dispose of by selling.
offer	Offer verbally. <i>The three imams offer up prayers on behalf of the dead.</i>
opt	Make a choice from a range of possibilities. <i>Consumers will opt for low priced goods.</i>
place	Score a goal by a place kick. <i>A survey placed the company 13th for achievement.</i>
present	Present somebody with something usually to accuse or criticize. <i>The commencement speaker presented a forceful speech that impressed the students.</i>
press	Create by pressing. <i>He pressed his face to the glass.</i>
proffer	Hold out or put forward (something) to someone for acceptance. <i>He proffered his resignation.</i>
promote	Of an additive act as a promoter of a catalyst. <i>They are using famous personalities to promote the library nationally.</i>
propose	Propose or intend. <i>He proposed a new nine point peace plan.</i>
put forward	Adapt.
raise	Raise in rank or condition. <i>Raise a family.</i>
submit	Present (a proposal, application, or other document) to a person or body for consideration or judgement. <i>The original settlers were forced to submit to Bulgarian rule.</i>
tender	Make a tender of in legal settlements. <i>Tenderize meat.</i>
think preferable	Be capable of conscious thought.

upgrade

Raise (an employee) to a higher grade or rank.
*I **upgraded** to First Class when Coach Class was overbooked.*



Usage Examples of "Prefer" as a verb

- *The police will prefer charges.*
- *We prefer sleeping outside.*
- *Some people prefer camping to staying in hotels.*
- *He was eventually preferred to the bishopric of Durham.*
- *Val would presumably prefer that you didn't get arrested.*
- *I prefer Venice to Rome.*
- *I would prefer to discuss the matter in private.*



Associations of "Prefer" (30 Words)

<u>abstention</u>	The trait of abstaining (especially from alcohol). <i>A resolution passed by 126 votes to none with six abstentions.</i>
advantage	Give an advantage to. <i>It turned out to my advantage.</i>
benefit	Derive a benefit from. <i>Part time jobs supplemented by means tested benefits.</i>
choose	Pick out select or choose from a number of alternatives. <i>There are many versions to choose from.</i>
exemption	The action of freeing or state of being free from an obligation or liability imposed on others. <i>Additional exemptions are allowed for each dependent.</i>
<u>favor</u>	Consider as the favorite. <i>That style is in favor this season.</i>

favorite	A competitor thought likely to win. <i>A favorite tourist attraction.</i>
favour	Overgenerous preferential treatment. <i>Training is looked upon with favour by many employers.</i>
gerrymander	Achieve a result by gerrymandering. <i>An attempt to gerrymander the election result.</i>
like	(of a portrait or other image) having a faithful resemblance to the original. <i>Did you ever hear the like.</i>
mercy	Leniency and compassion shown toward offenders by a person or agency charged with administering justice. <i>Distributing food and clothing to the flood victims was an act of mercy.</i>
moll	The girlfriend of a gangster. <i>I d rush the money over to his moll.</i>
opt	Make a choice from a range of possibilities. <i>She opted for the job on the East coast.</i>
option	Buy or sell an option on. <i>Columbia Pictures has an option on the script.</i>
orientation	The action of orienting someone or something relative to the points of a compass or other specified positions. <i>Using the orientation of a building to capture energy from the sun.</i>
partisan	A pike with a long tapering double-edged blade with lateral projections; 16th and 17th centuries. <i>Newspapers have become increasingly partisan.</i>
penchant	A strong or habitual liking for something or tendency to do something. <i>The Irish have a penchant for blarney.</i>
perquisite	A thing which has served its primary use and to which a subordinate or employee has a customary right. <i>The perquisites of celebrity are intoxicating.</i>
pick	Attack with or as if with a pickaxe of ice or rocky ground for example. <i>Pick up the burden of high interest mortgages.</i>
popular	Representing or appealing to or adapted for the benefit of the people at large. <i>Editorials accusing the government of wanting to gag the popular press.</i>
predilection	A predisposition in favor of something. <i>A predilection for expensive cars.</i>
preferable	More desirable or suitable. <i>Coffee is preferable to tea.</i>

preference	A thing preferred. <i>My own preference is for good literature.</i>
<u>prerogative</u>	Arising from the prerogative of the Crown usually delegated to the government or the judiciary and based in common law rather than statutory law. <i>Suffrage was the prerogative of white adult males.</i>
privilege	Bestow a privilege upon. <i>Barristers are privileged from arrest going to coming from and abiding in court.</i>
<u>pro</u>	In favor of a proposition opinion etc. <i>A tennis pro.</i>
<u>qualify</u>	Attribute a specified quality to something; describe something as. <i>England are in danger of failing to qualify.</i>
savour	The taste experience when a savoury condiment is taken into the mouth. <i>I wanted to savour every moment.</i>
select	Selected or chosen for special qualifications. <i>Select peaches.</i>
<u>vote</u>	Cause someone to gain or lose a particular post or honour by means of a vote. <i>They are expecting a large vote.</i>

