

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)

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

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

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

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



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

