

Need another word that means the same as “prison”? Find 6 synonyms and 30 related words for “prison” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Prison” are: prison house, jail, place of detention, place of confinement, guardhouse, detention centre**

## Prison as a Noun

### Definitions of "Prison" as a noun

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

- *A prisonlike situation; a place of seeming confinement.*
- *A building in which people are legally held as a punishment for a crime they have committed or while awaiting trial.*
- *A correctional institution where persons are confined while on trial or for punishment.*



## Synonyms of "Prison" as a noun (6 Words)

<b>detention centre</b>	A punishment in which a student must stay at school after others have gone home.
<b>guardhouse</b>	A building used to accommodate a military guard or to detain military prisoners.
<b>jail</b>	A correctional institution used to detain persons who are in the lawful custody of the government (either accused persons awaiting trial or convicted persons serving a sentence). <i>He spent 15 years in <b>jail</b>.</i>
<b>place of confinement</b>	A general vicinity.
<b>place of detention</b>	A job in an organization.
<b>prison house</b>	A correctional institution where persons are confined while on trial or for punishment.





## Usage Examples of "Prison" as a noun

- *He died in prison.*
- *Both men were sent to prison.*



## Associations of "Prison" (30 Words)

<b>apprehend</b>	Anticipate with dread or anxiety. <i>We enter a field of vision we could not otherwise <b>apprehend</b>.</i>
<b>arrest</b>	Suffer a heart attack. <i>The negotiations were in <b>arrest</b>.</i>
<b><u>captive</u></b>	Being in captivity. <i>A <b>captive</b> animal.</i>
<b>captivity</b>	The state of being a slave. <i>So every bondman in his own hand bears the power to cancel his <b>captivity</b>.</i>

<b>capture</b>	Capture as if by hunting snaring or trapping. <i>The free electrons were moving too rapidly to be <b>captured</b> by nuclei.</i>
<b>committal</b>	The action of sending a person to prison or a psychiatric hospital. <i>His <b>committal</b> to prison.</i>
<b><u>convict</u></b>	A person who has been convicted of a criminal offense. <i>The thieves were <b>convicted</b> of the robbery.</i>
<b><u>conviction</u></b>	(criminal law) a final judgment of guilty in a criminal case and the punishment that is imposed. <i>She had been speaking for some five minutes with force and <b>conviction</b>.</i>
<b><u>culprit</u></b>	The cause of a problem or defect. <i>Low level ozone pollution is the real <b>culprit</b>.</i>
<b>detention</b>	The punishment of being kept in school after hours. <i>Teachers were divided as to the effectiveness of <b>detention</b>.</i>
<b><u>dungeon</u></b>	Imprison someone in a dungeon.
<b>felony</b>	A serious crime (such as murder or arson). <i>An accusation of <b>felony</b>.</i>
<b>fetter</b>	Restrain with fetters. <i>The Supervisor tossed a key to the old slave to unlock the chain that <b>fettered</b> the prisoners together.</i>
<b>handcuff</b>	Put handcuffs on someone. <i>The police <b>handcuffed</b> the suspect at the scene of the crime.</i>
<b><u>imprison</u></b>	Put or keep in prison or a place like a prison. <i>His daughters are virtually <b>imprisoned</b> in their own house he does not let them go out without a chaperone.</i>
<b><u>imprisonment</u></b>	The act of confining someone in a prison (or as if in a prison). <i>He was sentenced to two months <b>imprisonment</b>.</i>
<b>incarcerate</b>	Lock up or confine, in or as in a jail. <i>Many are <b>incarcerated</b> for property offences.</i>
<b>indictment</b>	A formal charge or accusation of a serious crime. <i>An <b>indictment</b> for conspiracy.</i>
<b>inmate</b>	One of several occupants of a house. <i><b>Inmates</b> of the Louisiana State Penitentiary.</i>
<b>intern</b>	Work as an intern. <i>During WW II Japanese were <b>interned</b> in camps in the West.</i>
<b>jail</b>	Put someone in jail. <i>The driver was <b>jailed</b> for two years.</i>



<b>nick</b>	Cut a nick into. <i>A small <b>nick</b> on his wrist.</i>
<b>offender</b>	A person or thing that does something wrong or causes problems. <i>You can't get away from sex these days and the TV is the worst <b>offender</b>.</i>
<b>parole</b>	Release a criminal from detention and place him on parole. <i>I took their <b>paroles</b> of honour.</i>
<b>penitentiary</b>	(in the Roman Catholic Church) a priest appointed to administer penance. <i><b>Penitentiary</b> institutions.</i>
<u><b>perpetrator</b></u>	Someone who perpetrates wrongdoing. <i>The <b>perpetrators</b> of this horrific crime must be brought to justice.</i>
<u><b>prisoner</b></u>	A person who is confined especially a prisoner of war. <i>A <b>prisoner</b> serving a life sentence.</i>
<b>shackle</b>	Chain with shackles. <i>The prisoner was <b>shackled</b> to the heavy steel chair in the centre of the room.</i>
<u><b>sinner</b></u>	A person who transgresses against divine law by committing an immoral act or acts. <i>God forgives repentant <b>sinner</b>s.</i>
<u><b>warden</b></u>	A person responsible for the supervision of a particular place or activity or for enforcing the regulations associated with it. <i>An air raid <b>warden</b>.</i>

