

Need another word that means the same as “prisoner”? Find 5 synonyms and 30 related words for “prisoner” in this overview.

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Prisoner as a Noun

Definitions of "Prisoner" as a noun

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

- *A person captured and kept confined by an enemy or criminal.*
- *A person who is or feels confined or trapped by a situation.*
- *A person legally committed to prison as a punishment for a crime or while awaiting trial.*
- *A person who is confined; especially a prisoner of war.*



Synonyms of "Prisoner" as a noun (5 Words)

[captive](#)

An animal that is confined.

*The policeman put a pair of handcuffs on the **captive**.*

[convict](#)

A person who has been convicted of a criminal offense.

*Two escaped **convicts** kidnapped them at gunpoint.*

inmate

A person serving a sentence in a jail or prison.

***Inmates** of the Louisiana State Penitentiary.*

pow

A person who surrenders to (or is taken by) the enemy in time of war.

prisoner of war A person who is confined especially a prisoner of war.



Usage Examples of "Prisoner" as a noun

- *She may have been held prisoner before being killed.*
- *He's become a prisoner of the publicity he's generated.*
- *200 rebels were taken prisoner.*
- *A prisoner serving a life sentence.*



Associations of "Prisoner" (30 Words)

amnesty

A period during which offenders are exempt from punishment.
*An **amnesty** for political prisoners.*

apprehend

Anticipate (something) with uneasiness or fear.

*He is a man that **apprehends** death no more dreadfully but as a drunken sleep.*

arrest

Seize (someone) by legal authority and take them into custody.
*The church's stillness **arrested** her.*

<u>captive</u>	Having no freedom to choose alternatives or to avoid something. <i>A captive power plant.</i>
captivity	The condition of being imprisoned or confined. <i>The third month of their captivity passed.</i>
capture	Bring about the capture of an elementary particle or celestial body and causing it enter a new orbit. <i>A bounty hunter who always brings his captures in alive.</i>
catch	The act of catching an object with the hands. <i>He took a brilliant catch at deep square leg.</i>
committal	The act of committing a crime. <i>The funeral service was held on May 12 followed by committal at Forest Lawn Cemetery.</i>
<u>convict</u>	A person who has been convicted of a criminal offense. <i>The thieves were convicted of the robbery.</i>
<u>conviction</u>	(criminal law) a final judgment of guilty in a criminal case and the punishment that is imposed. <i>She takes pride in stating her political convictions.</i>
criminal	Someone who has committed a crime or has been legally convicted of a crime. <i>He may never fulfil his potential and that would be a criminal waste.</i>
<u>culprit</u>	Someone who perpetrates wrongdoing. <i>The car's front nearside door had been smashed in but the culprits had fled.</i>
<u>delinquent</u>	A delinquent person. <i>A delinquent account.</i>
execute	Sign in the presence of witnesses. <i>He would be executed if he fell into rebel hands.</i>
guilty	Culpable of or responsible for a specified wrongdoing. <i>He felt guilty about the way he had treated her.</i>
<u>imprison</u>	Confine as if in a prison. <i>His daughters are virtually imprisoned in their own house he does not let them go out without a chaperone.</i>
<u>imprisonment</u>	Putting someone in prison or in jail as lawful punishment. <i>He was sentenced to two months imprisonment.</i>
indictment	A formal charge or accusation of a serious crime. <i>The book is an indictment of modern philosophy.</i>
inmate	A person confined to an institution such as a prison or hospital. <i>Inmates of the Louisiana State Penitentiary.</i>

intern	Work as an intern. <i>During WW II Japanese were interned in camps in the West.</i>
jail	Put someone in jail. <i>A jail sentence.</i>
<u>murderer</u>	A person who commits murder. <i>Convicted murderers.</i>
parole	Release a prisoner on parole. <i>He committed a burglary while on parole.</i>
penitential	Relating to or expressing penitence or penance. <i>Wrote a penitential letter apologizing for her hasty words.</i>
penitentiary	(in the Roman Catholic Church) a priest appointed to administer penance. <i>Penitentiary institutions.</i>
<u>perpetrator</u>	Someone who perpetrates wrongdoing. <i>The perpetrators of this horrific crime must be brought to justice.</i>
<u>prison</u>	A prisonlike situation a place of seeming confinement. <i>The young man was prisoned behind the doors.</i>
reformatory	Tending to reform. <i>Reformatory punishment.</i>
<u>sinner</u>	A person who transgresses against divine law by committing an immoral act or acts. <i>God forgives repentant sinners.</i>
warrant	Officially affirm or guarantee. <i>We ll issue you with a travel warrant.</i>

