

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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**The synonyms of “Prisoner” are: captive, convict, inmate, prisoner of war, pow**

## **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.*

<b><u>captive</u></b>	Having no freedom to choose alternatives or to avoid something. <i>A <b>captive</b> power plant.</i>
<b>captivity</b>	The condition of being imprisoned or confined. <i>The third month of their <b>captivity</b> passed.</i>
<b>capture</b>	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 <b>captures</b> in alive.</i>
<b>catch</b>	The act of catching an object with the hands. <i>He took a brilliant <b>catch</b> at deep square leg.</i>
<b>committal</b>	The act of committing a crime. <i>The funeral service was held on May 12 followed by <b>committal</b> at Forest Lawn Cemetery.</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 takes pride in stating her political <b>convictions</b>.</i>
<b>criminal</b>	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 <b>criminal</b> waste.</i>
<b><u>culprit</u></b>	Someone who perpetrates wrongdoing. <i>The car's front nearside door had been smashed in but the <b>culprits</b> had fled.</i>
<b><u>delinquent</u></b>	A delinquent person. <i>A <b>delinquent</b> account.</i>
<b>execute</b>	Sign in the presence of witnesses. <i>He would be <b>executed</b> if he fell into rebel hands.</i>
<b>guilty</b>	Culpable of or responsible for a specified wrongdoing. <i>He felt <b>guilty</b> about the way he had treated her.</i>
<b><u>imprison</u></b>	Confine as if in 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>	Putting someone in prison or in jail as lawful punishment. <i>He was sentenced to two months <b>imprisonment</b>.</i>
<b>indictment</b>	A formal charge or accusation of a serious crime. <i>The book is an <b>indictment</b> of modern philosophy.</i>
<b>inmate</b>	A person confined to an institution such as a prison or hospital. <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>A <b>jail</b> sentence.</i>
<b><u>murderer</u></b>	A person who commits murder. <i>Convicted <b>murderers</b>.</i>
<b>parole</b>	Release a prisoner on parole. <i>He committed a burglary while on <b>parole</b>.</i>
<b>penitential</b>	Relating to or expressing penitence or penance. <i>Wrote a <b>penitential</b> letter apologizing for her hasty words.</i>
<b>penitentiary</b>	(in the Roman Catholic Church) a priest appointed to administer penance. <i><b>Penitentiary</b> institutions.</i>
<b><u>perpetrator</u></b>	Someone who perpetrates wrongdoing. <i>The <b>perpetrators</b> of this horrific crime must be brought to justice.</i>
<b><u>prison</u></b>	A prisonlike situation a place of seeming confinement. <i>The young man was <b>prisoned</b> behind the doors.</i>
<b>reformatory</b>	Tending to reform. <i><b>Reformatory</b> punishment.</i>
<b><u>sinner</u></b>	A person who transgresses against divine law by committing an immoral act or acts. <i>God forgives repentant <b>sinner</b>s.</i>
<b>warrant</b>	Officially affirm or guarantee. <i>We ll issue you with a travel <b>warrant</b>.</i>

