

Need another word that means the same as “prosecute”? Find 54 synonyms and 30 related words for “prosecute” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Prosecute” are: engage, pursue, take to court, bring legal proceedings against, institute legal proceedings against, bring an action against, take legal action against, accuse, cite, summons, sue, try, bring to trial, put on trial, put in the dock, bring a charge against, bring a criminal charge against, charge, prefer charges against, bring a suit against, indict, arraign, carry out, accomplish, perform, implement, effect, bring off, bring about, achieve, carry off, carry through, complete, enact, enforce, put into effect, put into practice, do, discharge, engineer, administer, attain, realize, fulfil, carry on, conduct, direct, engage in, work at, proceed with, continue, continue with, keep on with, go ahead with

Prosecute as a Verb

Definitions of "Prosecute" as a verb

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

- *Carry out or participate in an activity; be involved in.*
- *Institute legal proceedings in respect of (a claim or offence.*
- *Bring a criminal action against (in a trial.*
- *Institute or conduct legal proceedings against (a person or organization.*
- *Carry on (a trade or pursuit.*
- *Continue with (a course of action) with a view to its completion.*
- *Conduct a prosecution in a court of law.*



Synonyms of "Prosecute" as a verb (54 Words)

accomplish

Achieve or complete successfully.

*The planes **accomplished** their mission.*

accuse

Claim that (someone) has done something wrong.

*He was **accused** of murdering his wife's lover.*

achieve

To gain with effort.

*People striving to **achieve**.*

administer

Administer or bestow as in small portions.

*He **administered** the Oath of Supremacy to Thomas Percy.*

arraign

Find fault with; censure.

*Social workers were relieved it was not they who were **arraigned** in the tabloids.*

attain

Reach (a specified age, size, or amount).

*He **attained** the rank of Brigadier.*

bring a charge against

Induce or persuade.

bring a criminal charge against

Induce or persuade.

bring a suit against

Go or come after and bring or take back.

bring about

Cause to come into a particular state or condition.

bring an action against	Induce or persuade.
bring legal proceedings against	Cause to happen or to occur as a consequence.
bring off	Take something or somebody with oneself somewhere.
bring to trial	Advance or set forth in court.
carry off	Win approval or support for.
carry on	Be successful in.
carry out	Have on the surface or on the skin.
carry through	Continue or extend.
<u>charge</u>	File a formal charge against. Charge the wagon with hay.
<u>cite</u>	Commend. <i>He does not cite any source for this assertion.</i>
complete	Complete or carry out. <i>A child would complete the family.</i>
conduct	Transmit a form of energy such as heat or electricity by conduction. Conduct an orchestra Barenboim conducted the Chicago symphony for years.
continue	Continue in a place position or situation. Continue the family tradition.
continue with	Exist over a prolonged period of time.
direct	Plan and direct a complex undertaking. <i>Can you direct me to the railway station please.</i>
discharge	Go off or discharge. <i>First time bankrupts are discharged automatically after three years.</i>
do	Get something done. <i>I was speeding doing seventy five.</i>
effect	Act so as to bring into existence. Effect a change.
enact	Act out (a role or play) on stage. <i>She reenacted what had happened earlier that day.</i>
enforce	Press home (a demand or argument). <i>There is no outside agency to enforce cooperation between the players.</i>

engage

Engage for service under a term of contract.

*She had offered to **engage** a room in the house of the woman.*

engage in

Carry on (wars, battles, or campaigns).

engineer

Design as an engineer.

*She **engineered** another meeting with him.*

Achieve or realize (something desired, promised, or predicted).

fulfil

*Arts grants go to young people who say they wish to **fulfil** themselves.*

go ahead with

Move away from a place into another direction.

implement

Put (a decision, plan, agreement, etc.) into effect.

*He **implemented** a new economic plan.*

indict

Accuse formally of a crime.

*His former manager was **indicted** for fraud.*

institute legal proceedings against

Advance or set forth in court.

keep on with

Supply with room and board.

perform

Carry out or perform an action.

*When I go to bed with any other woman I am quite unable to **perform**.*

**prefer charges against
proceed with**

Promote over another.

Follow a certain course.

pursue

Carry further or advance.

*We shall not **pursue** the matter any further.*

put in the dock

Put into a certain place or abstract location.

put into effect

Adapt.

put into practice

Make an investment.

put on trial

Adapt.

realize

Make (a profit) from a transaction.

*His worst fears have been **realized**.*

sue

Institute legal proceedings against; file a suit against.

*The rebels were forced to **sue** for peace.*

summons

Serve someone with a summons.

*He has been **summonsed** to appear in court next month.*

take legal action against

Be capable of holding or containing.

take to court

Take into one's possession.

try

Visit (a place) or contact (a person) in order to find someone or obtain something.

*They decided to **try** for another baby.*

work at

Prepare for crops.



Usage Examples of "Prosecute" as a verb

- *They were prosecuted for obstructing the highway.*
- *A serious threat to the government's ability to prosecute the war.*
- *The company didn't prosecute because of his age.*
- *The state's attorney's office seemed to decide that this was a case worth prosecuting.*
- *I am waiting for permission to prosecute my craft.*



Associations of "Prosecute" (30 Words)

	To gain with effort.
accomplish	Once this form has been accomplished the applicant needs to secure supporting documents.
act	Take action do something. An act called the Apple Blossom Sisters.
action	Take action on deal with. The United Nations must have the power to propose and organize action without being hobbled by irrelevant issues.
behave	Behave in a certain manner. It is not acceptable for a student to behave like that towards a teacher.
behavior	Behavioral attributes the way a person behaves toward other people. The behavior of small particles can be studied in experiments.
behavioral	Of or relating to behavior. Behavioral sciences.

behaviour	(psychology) the aggregate of the responses or reactions or movements made by an organism in any situation. <i>The feeding behaviour of predators.</i>
comport	Conduct oneself; behave. <i>Articulate students who comported themselves well in interviews.</i>
conduct	Transmit a form of energy such as heat or electricity by conduction. <i>In the second trial he conducted his own defence.</i>
deed	Convey or transfer property or rights by legal deed. <i>Their deeds will live on in song.</i>
demeanor	(behavioral attributes) the way a person behaves toward other people.
do	Doctor's degree in osteopathy. <i>Very little work has been done in this field.</i>
enforcement	The act of enforcing; ensuring observance of or obedience to. <i>The strict enforcement of environmental regulations.</i>
ethology	The branch of zoology that studies the behavior of animals in their natural habitats.
feasibly	In a way that possible or practical to do or achieve. <i>We take customer feedback very seriously and strive to make additional improvements that can be met feasibly.</i>
fulfil	Fill or meet a want or need. <i>He wouldn't be able to fulfil his ambition to visit Naples.</i>
fulfill	Put in effect.
fulfillment	The act of consummating something (a desire or promise etc).
instigator	A person who brings about or initiates something. <i>She was the instigator of their quarrel.</i>
moralistic	Overfond of making moral judgements about others' behaviour; too ready to moralize. <i>Modernized fairy tales are often moralistic and cleaned up.</i>
participation	The act of sharing in the activities of a group. <i>Participation in chapel activities.</i>
perform	Carry out or perform an action. <i>When I go to bed with any other woman I am quite unable to perform.</i>
perfunctorily	In a set manner without serious attention. <i>He kissed her cheek perfunctorily.</i>
practise	Actively pursue or be engaged in (a particular profession or occupation). <i>He practised as a barrister.</i>

- psychopathic** Suffering from an undiagnosed mental disorder.
A **psychopathic** disorder.
- pursue** (of something unpleasant) persistently afflict (someone).
The officer **pursued** the van.
- satisfy** Fill satisfy or meet a want or need or condition or restriction.
There was insufficient collateral to **satisfy** the loan.
- volitional** Relating to the use of one's will.
Acceptance is a **volitional** act.
- voluntary** Controlled by individual volition.
Voluntary contraction of the calf muscles.
- wanted** Desired or wished for or sought.
A **wanted** poster.

