

Need another word that means the same as “rebuke”? Find 47 synonyms and 30 related words for “rebuke” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Rebuke” are: bawl out, berate, call down, call on the carpet, chew out, chew up, chide, dress down, have words, jaw, lambast, lambaste, lecture, rag, remonstrate, reprimand, scold, take to task, trounce, reproach, admonish, reprove, remonstrate with, chastise, upbraid, pull up, castigate, read someone the riot act, give someone a piece of one's mind, haul over the coals, criticize, censure, reprehension, reproof, reproof, scolding, admonishment, admonition, remonstration, upbraiding, castigation, lambasting, criticism**

## Rebuke as a Noun

### Definitions of "Rebuke" as a noun

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

- *An expression of sharp disapproval or criticism.*
- *An act or expression of criticism and censure.*



## Synonyms of "Rebuke" as a noun (15 Words)

<b>admonishment</b>	A firm rebuke. <i>There was no need for <b>admonishment</b> or angry words.</i>
<b>admonition</b>	A firm warning or reprimand. <i>He received numerous <b>admonitions</b> for his behaviour.</i>
<b>castigation</b>	A severe scolding.
<b>censure</b>	The formal expression of severe disapproval. <i>Two MPs were singled out for <b>censure</b>.</i>
<b>criticism</b>	The scholarly investigation of literary or historical texts to determine their origin or intended form. <i>He ignored the <b>criticisms</b> of his friends.</i>
<b>lambasting</b>	A harsh criticism. <i>He received a <b>lambasting</b> from critics and fans.</i>

<b>lecture</b>	An educational talk to an audience, especially one of students in a university. <i>A good <b>lecture</b> was my father's idea of discipline.</i>
<b>remonstrance</b>	The act of expressing earnest opposition or protest.
<b>reprehension</b>	An act or expression of criticism and censure. <i>Never fear <b>reprehension</b> for voicing your views.</i>
<b>reprimand</b>	A formal expression of disapproval. <i>The golfer received a <b>reprimand</b> for a breach of rules.</i>
<b>reproach</b>	In the Roman Catholic Church a set of antiphons and responses for Good Friday representing the reproaches of Christ to his people. <i>His elegance is a living <b>reproach</b> to our slovenly habits.</i>
<b>reproof</b>	An act or expression of criticism and censure. <i>A look of <b>reproof</b>.</i>
<b>reproval</b>	An act or expression of criticism and censure. <i>He glanced at them in silent <b>reproval</b>.</i>
<b>scolding</b>	An angry rebuke or reprimand. <i>She'd get a <b>scolding</b> from Victoria.</i>
<b>upbraiding</b>	A severe scolding.

## Usage Examples of "Rebuke" as a noun

- *He had to take the rebuke with a smile on his face.*
- *He hadn't meant it as a rebuke, but Neil flinched.*

## Rebuke as a Verb

### Definitions of "Rebuke" as a verb

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

- *Express sharp disapproval or criticism of (someone) because of their behaviour or actions.*
- *Censure severely or angrily.*

### Synonyms of "Rebuke" as a verb (32 Words)

admonish

Admonish or counsel in terms of someone's behavior.

He **admonished** the child for his bad behavior.

**bawl out**

Make a raucous noise.

berate

Scold or criticize (someone) angrily.

She **berated** herself for being fickle.

**call down**

Challenge the sincerity or truthfulness of.

**call on the carpet**

Send a message or attempt to reach someone by radio, phone, etc.; make a signal in order to transmit a message.

**castigate**

Inflict severe punishment on.

He was **castigated** for not setting a good example.

**censure**

Express severe disapproval of (someone or something), especially in a formal statement.

Shareholders **censured** the bank for its extravagance.

chastise

Censure severely.

He **chastised** his colleagues for their laziness.

**chew out**

Chew (food); to bite and grind with the teeth.

**chew up**

Chew (food); to bite and grind with the teeth.

chide

Censure severely or angrily.

Now now he **chided**.

**criticize**

Indicate the faults of (someone or something) in a disapproving way.

The opposition **criticized** the government's failure to consult adequately.

**dress down**

Dress in a certain manner.

**give someone a piece of one's mind**

Endure the loss of.

**haul over the coals**

Transport in a vehicle.

**have words**

Have ownership or possession of.

**jaw**

Censure severely or angrily.

He **jawed** his bubble gum.

**lambast**

Beat with a cane.

They **lambasted** the report as a gross distortion of the truth.

**lambaste**

Censure severely or angrily.

**lecture**

Deliver an educational lecture or lectures.

I do not wish to be **lectured** about smoking.

**pull up**

Bring, take, or pull out of a container or from under a cover.

<b>rag</b>	Apply paint to a surface with a rag. <i><b>Rag</b> that old tune.</i>
<b>read someone the riot act</b>	Be a student of a certain subject.
<b>remonstrate</b>	Argue in protest or opposition. <i>He turned angrily to <b>remonstrate</b> with Tommy.</i>
<b>remonstrate with</b>	Censure severely or angrily.
<b>reprimand</b>	Address a reprimand to. <i>Officials were <b>reprimanded</b> for poor work.</i>
<b>reproach</b>	Express to (someone) one's disapproval of or disappointment in their actions. <i>You know that isn't true he <b>reproached</b> her.</i>
<b>reprove</b>	Take to task. <i>He was <b>reproved</b> for obscenity.</i>
<b><u>scold</u></b>	Show one's unhappiness or critical attitude. <i>The mother <b>scolded</b> the child for entering a stranger's car.</i>
<b>take to task</b>	Engage for service under a term of contract.
<b>trounce</b>	Come out better in a competition, race, or conflict. <i>Insider dealing has been roundly <b>trounced</b>.</i>
<b>upbraid</b>	Express criticism towards. <i>He was <b>upbraided</b> for his slovenly appearance.</i>

## Usage Examples of "Rebuke" as a verb

- *She had rebuked him for drinking too much.*
- *The judge publicly rebuked the jury.*

## Associations of "Rebuke" (30 Words)

<b><u>accusation</u></b>	A charge or claim that someone has done something illegal or wrong. <i><b>Accusations</b> of bribery.</i>
<b><u>admonish</u></b>	Admonish or counsel in terms of someone's behavior. <i>She <b>admonished</b> him to drink no more than one glass of wine.</i>
<b>angrily</b>	Stormily or threateningly. <i>Workers reacted <b>angrily</b> to the announcement.</i>
<b><u>berate</u></b>	Scold or criticize (someone) angrily. <i>She <b>berated</b> herself for being fickle.</i>

<b>bluntly</b>	In a blunt direct manner. <i>He spoke <b>bluntly</b>.</i>
<b>castigate</b>	Reprimand (someone) severely. <i>He was <b>castigated</b> for not setting a good example.</i>
<b>castigation</b>	Verbal punishment.
<b>censorious</b>	Harshly critical or expressing censure. <i><b>Censorious</b> champions of morality.</i>
<b>chasten</b>	Censure severely. <i>The director was somewhat <b>chastened</b> by his recent flops.</i>
<u><b>chastise</b></u>	Punish, especially by beating. <i>The General cruelly <b>chastised</b> them with a whip.</i>
<u><b>chide</b></u>	Censure severely or angrily. <i>Now now he <b>chided</b>.</i>
<u><b>errant</b></u>	(of a polychaete worm) of a predatory kind that moves about actively and is not confined to a tube or burrow. <i><b>Errant</b> youngsters.</i>
<b>expostulation</b>	The act of expressing earnest opposition or protest.
<b>lambaste</b>	Beat with a cane.
<b>punish</b>	Impose a penalty on inflict punishment on. <i>We had to <b>punish</b> the dog for soiling the floor again.</i>
<b>recrimination</b>	Mutual accusations. <i>There are no tears no <b>recriminations</b>.</i>
<b>reprimand</b>	Address a reprimand to. <i>The golfer received a <b>reprimand</b> for a breach of rules.</i>
<b>reproach</b>	In the Roman Catholic Church a set of antiphons and responses for Good Friday representing the reproaches of Christ to his people. <i>You know that isn't true he <b>reproached</b> her.</i>
<b>reproof</b>	An act or expression of criticism and censure. <i>A look of <b>reproof</b>.</i>
<b>reprove</b>	Reprimand (someone). <i>Don't be childish Hilary he <b>reproved</b> mildly.</i>
<b>repudiation</b>	Rejecting or disowning or disclaiming as invalid. <i>The <b>repudiation</b> of the debt by the city.</i>
<u><b>retort</b></u>	Repay (an insult or injury). <i>The answer they make to us may very easily be <b>retorted</b>.</i>
<b>revile</b>	Spread negative information about. <i>He was now <b>reviled</b> by the party that he had helped to lead.</i>

<b>scold</b>	(of a bird) call loudly and persistently. <i>The mother <b>scolded</b> the child for entering a stranger's car.</i>
<b>scolding</b>	An angry rebuke or reprimand. <i>She'd get a <b>scolding</b> from Victoria.</i>
<b>severely</b>	To an undesirably great or intense degree. <i><b>Severely</b> injured patients.</i>
<b>sternly</b>	In a way that is difficult and puts extreme pressure on someone or something. <i>He <b>sternly</b> warned me to not do anything stupid.</i>
<b>subdue</b>	Put down by force or intimidation. <i>Charles went on a campaign to <b>subdue</b> the Saxons.</i>
<b>upbraid</b>	Find fault with (someone); scold. <i>He was <b>upbraided</b> for his slovenly appearance.</i>
<b>verbally</b>	With the function of a verb. <i>She claimed to have been <b>verbally</b> abused.</i>