

Need another word that means the same as “relative”? Find 20 synonyms and 30 related words for “relative” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Relative” are: proportional, comparative, respective, comparable, correlative, parallel, corresponding, reciprocal, moderate, reasonable, a fair degree of, considerable, some, congenator, congener, congeneric, relation, member of someone's family, member of the family, one's flesh and blood

Relative as a Noun

Definitions of "Relative" as a noun

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

- *A person connected by blood or marriage.*
- *A species related to another by common origin.*
- *An animal or plant that bears a relationship to another (as related by common descent or by membership in the same genus.*
- *A person related by blood or marriage.*
- *A relative pronoun, determiner, or adverb.*
- *A term or concept which is dependent on something else.*



Synonyms of "Relative" as a noun (7 Words)

congenator	An animal or plant that bears a relationship to another (as related by common descent or by membership in the same genus).
congener	An animal or plant of the same genus as another. <i>These birds or their congeners may be found in East Africa.</i>
congeneric	An animal or plant that bears a relationship to another (as related by common descent or by membership in the same genus).
member of someone's family	An external body part that projects from the body.
member of the family	Anything that belongs to a set or class.
one's flesh and blood	The soft tissue of the body of a vertebrate: mainly muscle tissue and fat.

relation

The way in which two or more people or groups feel about and behave towards each other.

*They can take vows of chastity and give up sexual **relations** entirely.*



Usage Examples of "Relative" as a noun

- *Much of my time is spent visiting relatives.*
- *The plant is a relative of ivy.*
- *Police are searching for relatives of the deceased.*



Relative as an Adjective

Definitions of "Relative" as an adjective

According to the [Oxford Dictionary of English](#), "relative" as an adjective can have the following definitions:

- *(of a service rank) corresponding in grade to another in a different service.*
- *Estimated by comparison; not absolute or complete.*
- *(of major and minor keys) having the same key signature.*
- *Denoting a pronoun, determiner, or adverb that refers to an expressed or implied antecedent and attaches a subordinate clause to it, e.g. which, who.*
- *Properly related in size or degree or other measurable characteristics; usually followed by `to.*
- *(of a clause) attached to an antecedent by a relative word.*
- *Existing or possessing a specified characteristic only in comparison to something else;*

not absolute.

- *Considered in relation or in proportion to something else.*



Synonyms of "Relative" as an adjective (13 Words)

a fair degree of Hit between the foul lines.

<u>comparable</u>	Able to be compared or worthy of comparison. <i>The situation in Holland is comparable to that in England.</i>
<u>comparative</u>	Estimated by comparison; not absolute or complete. Comparative religion.
considerable	Notably large in size, amount, or extent. <i>The economy was a considerable issue in the campaign.</i>
correlative	Expressing a reciprocal or complementary relation. Correlative conjunctions.
corresponding	Accompanying. <i>A number of corresponding diagonal points.</i>
moderate	Not extreme. Moderate in his demands.
<u>parallel</u>	Being everywhere equidistant and not intersecting. <i>A parallel universe.</i>
<u>proportional</u>	Corresponding in size or amount to something else. <i>The punishment ought to be proportional to the crime.</i>
reasonable	Showing reason or sound judgment. <i>A restaurant serving excellent food at reasonable prices.</i>
<u>reciprocal</u>	(of a quantity or function) related to another so that their product is unity. <i>She was hoping for some reciprocal comment or gesture.</i>
<u>respective</u>	Considered individually. <i>They chatted about their respective childhoods.</i>
<u>some</u>	Relatively many but unspecified in number. <i>We did not meet again for some years.</i>



Usage Examples of "Relative" as an adjective

- *Earnings relative to production.*
- *She went down the steps into the relative darkness of the dining room.*
- *The relative effectiveness of the various mechanisms is not known.*
- *The firms are relative newcomers to computers.*
- *A relative stranger.*



Associations of "Relative" (30 Words)

<u>akin</u>	Of similar character. <i>My parents were akin probably half cousins.</i>
<u>analogous</u>	Comparable in certain respects, typically in a way which makes clearer the nature of the things compared. <i>Brains and computers are often considered analogous.</i>
balanced	Being in a state of proper equilibrium. <i>The carefully balanced seesaw.</i>
<u>clan</u>	A large family. <i>New York s garrulous clan of artists.</i>
<u>commensurate</u>	Corresponding in size or degree; in proportion. <i>Salary will be commensurate with age and experience.</i>
<u>comparative</u>	A comparative adjective or adverb. <i>More surely is the comparative of the adverb surely.</i>
<u>comparatively</u>	In a relative manner; by comparison to something else. <i>Inflation was comparatively low.</i>
compare	Qualities that are comparable. <i>This car does not compare with our line of Mercedes.</i>
comparison	The formation of the comparative and superlative forms of adjectives and adverbs. <i>No comparison between the two books.</i>
congruence	Agreement or harmony; compatibility. <i>The results show quite good congruence with recent studies.</i>
consanguineous	Related by blood. <i>Consanguineous marriages may give rise to recessive syndromes.</i>
contrast	The perceptual effect of the juxtaposition of very different colors. <i>The castle is quite a contrast to other places where the singer has performed.</i>
<u>counterpoint</u>	Write in counterpoint. <i>The sauce made a piquant counterpoint to the ham.</i>
<u>differ</u>	Be of different opinions. <i>I beg to differ.</i>
equal	A person who is of equal standing with another in a group. <i>He equalled the world record of 9 93 seconds.</i>
<u>folks</u>	People in general (often used in the plural). <i>He wrote to his folks every day.</i>

invidious	(of a comparison or distinction) unfairly discriminating; unjust. <i>It seems invidious to make special mention of one aspect of his work.</i>
kin	Animals or plants that are related to a particular species or kind. <i>He was kin to the brothers.</i>
kindred	Similar in quality or character. <i>Ties of kindred.</i>
kinsfolk	People descended from a common ancestor.
kith	Your friends and acquaintances. <i>A widow without kith or kin.</i>
liken	Consider or describe as similar, equal, or analogous. <i>Racism is likened to a contagious disease.</i>
nepotism	Favoritism shown to relatives or close friends by those in power (as by giving them jobs). <i>His years in office were marked by corruption and nepotism.</i>
proportionate	Agreeing in amount, magnitude, or degree. <i>Proportionate representation of a minority group.</i>
related	Connected by kinship, common origin, or marriage. <i>Income related benefits.</i>
relatively	In relation, comparison, or proportion to something else. <i>They were very poor but relatively speaking they had been lucky.</i>
similar	A person or thing similar to another. <i>Problems similar to mine.</i>
symmetrical	Exhibiting equivalence or correspondence among constituents of an entity or between different entities. <i>The shape of a hill smooth and symmetrical.</i>
tribe	A taxonomic category that ranks above genus and below family or subfamily, usually ending in -ini (in zoology) or -eae (in botany). <i>Indigenous Indian tribes.</i>
twofold	By a factor of two. <i>Use increased more than twofold from 1979 to 1989.</i>

