

Need another word that means the same as “relent”? Find 28 synonyms and 30 related words for “relent” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Relent” are: soften, yield, change one's mind, do a u-turn, back down, give way, give in, capitulate, accede, come round, acquiesce, ease off, slacken, let up, ease, ease up, relax, abate, drop, fall off, die down, lessen, decrease, diminish, moderate, subside, weaken, tail off

Relent as a Verb

Definitions of "Relent" as a verb

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

- *Become less severe or intense.*
- *Give in, as to influence or pressure.*
- *Abandon or mitigate a severe or harsh attitude, especially by finally yielding to a request.*

Synonyms of "Relent" as a verb (28 Words)

[abate](#)

Make (something) less intense.
*The storm **abated**.*

[accede](#)

Take on duties or office.
*Elizabeth I **acceded** to the throne in 1558.*

acquiesce

Accept something reluctantly but without protest.
*Sara **acquiesced** in his decision.*

back down

Shift to a counterclockwise direction.

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| capitulate | Surrender under agreed conditions. <i>The patriots had to capitulate to the enemy forces.</i> |
| change one's mind | Give to, and receive from, one another. |
| come round | Be found or available. |
| decrease | Decrease in size extent or range. <i>He decreased his staff.</i> |
| die down | To be on base at the end of an inning, of a player. |
| diminish | Lessen the authority, dignity, or reputation of. <i>The new law is expected to diminish the government's chances.</i> |
| do a u-turn | Give rise to; cause to happen or occur, not always intentionally. |
| drop | Let or cause to fall in drops. <i>The Giants dropped 11 of their first 13.</i> |
| <u>ease</u> | Of share prices interest rates etc decrease in value or amount. <i>International tension began to ease.</i> |
| ease off | Lessen the intensity of or calm. |
| ease up | Lessen pain or discomfort; alleviate. |
| fall off | Be inherited by. |
| give in | Place into the hands or custody of. |
| give way | Place into the hands or custody of. |
| lessen | Make smaller. <i>The warmth of the afternoon lessened.</i> |
| let up | Consent to, give permission. |
| moderate | Restrain. <i>John moderated the discussion.</i> |
| relax | Cause to feel relaxed. <i>He relaxed in the hot tub.</i> |
| slacken | Become looser or slack. <i>The rope slackened.</i> |
| soften | Lessen in force or effect. <i>Plant extracts to soften and moisturize the skin.</i> |
| subside | Wear off or die down. <i>Fergus opened his mouth to protest again then subsided.</i> |
| tail off | Go after with the intent to catch. |
| <u>weaken</u> | Reduce the level or intensity or size or scope of. <i>Fault lines had weakened and shattered the rocks.</i> |

yield

Produce or provide (a natural, agricultural, or industrial product).
*The door **yielded** to repeated blows with a battering ram.*

Usage Examples of "Relent" as a verb

- *She was going to refuse his request, but **relented**.*
- *The rain **relented**.*

Associations of "Relent" (30 Words)

allay

Diminish or put at rest (fear, suspicion, or worry).
*The report attempted to educate the public and **allay** fears.*

alleviate

Make (suffering, deficiency, or a problem) less severe.
*He couldn't prevent her pain only **alleviate** it.*

appease

Overcome or allay.
*We give to charity because it **appeases** our guilt.*

assuage

Satisfy (an appetite or desire).
*An opportunity occurred to **assuage** her desire for knowledge.*

buffer

Add a buffer a solution.
*Try **buffering** as much of the video stream as you can before you hit the play button.*

conciliate

Gain (esteem or goodwill).
*Concessions were made to **conciliate** the peasantry.*

demulcent

A medication (in the form of an oil or salve etc.) that soothes inflamed or injured skin.

drink

Drink excessive amounts of alcohol be an alcoholic.
*He jumped into the **drink** and had to be rescued.*

ease

Of share prices interest rates etc decrease in value or amount.
*A huge road building programme to **ease** congestion.*

emollient

Having a softening or soothing effect especially to the skin.
*A rich **emollient** shampoo.*

extenuate

Cause (an offence) to seem less serious.
*The circumstances **extenuate** the crime.*

licensee

Someone to whom a license is granted.

maceration

Softening due to soaking or steeping.

mitigate

Make less severe or harsh.
*There had been a provocation that **mitigated** the offence to a degree.*

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| mollify | Appease the anger or anxiety of (someone). <i>She managed to mollify the angry customer.</i> |
| pacify | Bring peace to (a country or warring factions), especially by the use or threat of military force. <i>The U N troops are working to pacify Bosnia.</i> |
| palliate | Lessen or to try to lessen the seriousness or extent of. <i>This eliminated or at least palliated suspicions aroused by German unity.</i> |
| persuade | Cause somebody to adopt a certain position, belief, or course of action; twist somebody's arm. <i>Health boards were finally persuaded of the desirability of psychiatric units.</i> |
| placate | Make (someone) less angry or hostile. <i>They attempted to placate the students with promises.</i> |
| propitiate | Win or regain the favour of (a god, spirit, or person) by doing something that pleases them. <i>The pagans thought it was important to propitiate the gods with sacrifices.</i> |
| quell | Overcome or allay. <i>Connor quelled him with a look.</i> |
| quench | An act of quenching a very hot substance. <i>The cold water quenched his thirst.</i> |
| rarefy | Make or become less dense or solid. <i>As the shell continues to expand and rarefy astronomers may eventually be able to see characteristic gamma rays from the radioactivity within.</i> |
| relieve | Relieve oneself of troubling information. <i>He was relieved by her change of tone.</i> |
| remit | Law the act of remitting especially the referral of a law case to another court. <i>A remit on the question failed.</i> |
| satisfy | Fill satisfy or meet a want or need or condition or restriction. <i>Social services is trying to satisfy the needs of so many different groups.</i> |
| slacken | Make or become slack. <i>The pace never slackens.</i> |
| slake | Combine (quicklime) with water to produce calcium hydroxide. <i>Restaurants worked to slake the Italian obsession with food.</i> |
| soften | Give in, as to influence or pressure. <i>The share price has softened recently.</i> |
| soothe | Give moral or emotional strength to. <i>To soothe the skin try chamomile or thyme.</i> |