

Need another word that means the same as “responsible”? Find 27 synonyms and 30 related words for “responsible” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Responsible” are: responsible for, creditworthy, in charge of, in control of, accountable for, liable for, charged with, answerable, accountable, to blame, important, powerful, authoritative, executive, high, trustworthy, capable of being trusted, trusty, level-headed, rational, sane, reasonable, sensible, sound, stable, mature, adult**

## Responsible as an Adjective

### Definitions of "Responsible" as an adjective

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

- *Being the primary cause of something and so able to be blamed or credited for it.*
- *Morally accountable for one's behaviour.*
- *Being the agent or cause.*
- *Having an acceptable credit rating.*
- *Having to report to (a superior) and be answerable to them for one's actions.*
- *(of a job or position) involving important duties, independent decision-making, or control over others.*
- *Having an obligation to do something, or having control over or care for someone, as part of one's job or role.*
- *Worthy of or requiring responsibility or trust; or held accountable.*
- *Capable of being trusted.*



## Synonyms of "Responsible" as an adjective (27 Words)

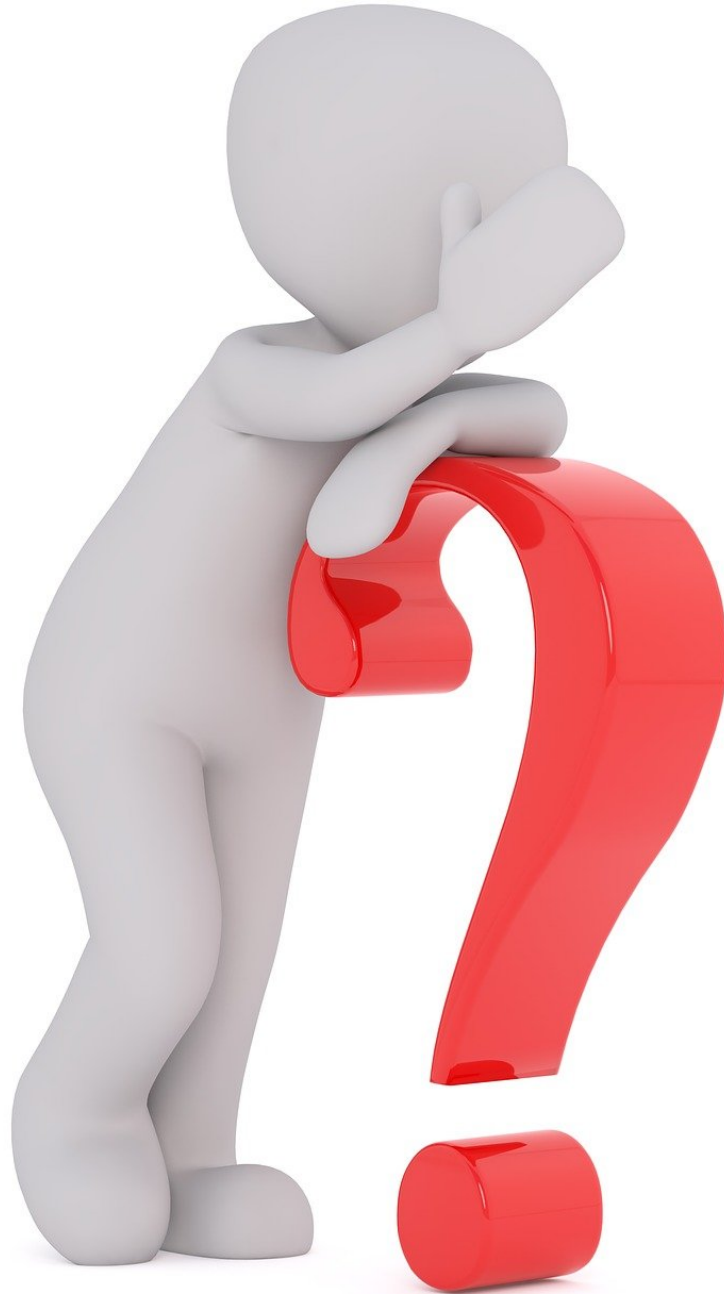
<b><u>accountable</u></b>	Liable to account for one's actions. <i>Governments must be <b>accountable</b> to someone beside themselves.</i>
<b>accountable for</b>	Liable to account for one's actions.
<b>adult</b>	Of or for adult people. <i>An effort to be <b>adult</b> and civilized.</i>
<b>answerable</b>	Required to explain or justify one's actions to; responsible or having to report to. <i>An employer is <b>answerable</b> for the negligence of his employees.</i>
<b>authoritative</b>	Sanctioned by established authority. <i>An <b>authoritative</b> communique.</i>
<b>capable of being trusted</b>	Having the requisite qualities for.
<b>charged with</b>	Fraught with great emotion.
<b>creditworthy</b>	Having an acceptable credit rating.
<b><u>executive</u></b>	Relating to or having the power to put plans or actions into effect. <i>The <b>executive</b> branch of government.</i>

<b>high</b>	Being at or having a relatively great or specific elevation or upward extension sometimes used in combinations like knee high. <i>The <b>high</b> priest.</i>
<b>important</b>	Important in effect or meaning. <i>Writers as <b>important</b> as Hopkins.</i>
<b>in charge of</b>	Directed or bound inward.
<b>in control of</b>	Directed or bound inward.
<b>level-headed</b>	Exercising or showing good judgment.
<b>liable for</b>	Subject to legal action.
<b>mature</b>	Fully developed or matured and ready to be eaten or used. <i>Miss Walker was a <b>mature</b> lady when she married.</i>
<b>powerful</b>	Possessing physical strength and weight rugged and powerful. <i>A <b>powerful</b> bomb.</i>
<b>rational</b>	(of a number, quantity, or expression) expressible, or containing quantities which are expressible, as a ratio of whole numbers. <i>A process of <b>rational</b> inference.</i>
<b>reasonable</b>	Showing reason or sound judgment. <i>They are lovely shoes and very <b>reasonable</b>.</i>
<b>responsible for</b>	Worthy of or requiring responsibility or trust; or held accountable.
<b>sane</b>	(of a person) of sound mind; not mad or mentally ill. <i>Appears to be completely <b>sane</b>.</i>
<b>sensible</b>	Done or chosen in accordance with wisdom or prudence; likely to be of benefit. <i>Mum always made me have <b>sensible</b> shoes.</i>
<b>sound</b>	Exercising or showing good judgment. <i>A <b>sound</b> timber.</i>
<b><u>stable</u></b>	Sane and sensible; not easily upset or disturbed. <i>A <b>stable</b> peace.</i>
<b>to blame</b>	Expletives used informally as intensifiers.
<b><u>trustworthy</u></b>	Worthy of trust or belief. <i><b>Trustworthy</b> public servants.</i>
<b>trusty</b>	Worthy of trust or belief. <i>My <b>trusty</b> old Morris Minor.</i>



## Usage Examples of "Responsible" as an adjective

- *Termites were responsible for the damage.*
- *A responsible adult.*
- *A responsible position.*
- *Responsible journalism.*
- *Determined who was the responsible party.*
- *The cabinet minister responsible for Education.*
- *The progressive emergence of the child as a responsible being.*
- *Gooch was responsible for 198 of his side's 542 runs.*
- *She had risen rapidly to a high and responsible position in the civil service.*
- *The cabinet is responsible to the parliament.*
- *A responsible borrower.*
- *The captain is responsible for the ship's safety.*
- *The Prime Minister and cabinet are responsible to Parliament.*



## Associations of "Responsible" (30 Words)

[accountable](#)

Liable to account for one's actions.

*Parents cannot be held **accountable** for their children's actions.*

<b>allowable</b>	(of an amount of money) able to be earned or received free of tax. <i>The loan deal has been extended to the maximum <b>allowable</b> three months.</i>
<b>answerable</b>	Required to explain or justify one's actions to; responsible or having to report to. <i>Parents are <b>answerable</b> for their child s acts.</i>
<b>ascribe</b>	Regard a quality as belonging to. <i>Tough mindedness is a quality commonly <b>ascribed</b> to top bosses.</i>
<b>attribute</b>	Attribute or credit to. <i>Ancient peoples <b>attributed</b> magic properties to certain stones.</i>
<b><u>beholden</u></b>	Under a moral obligation to someone. <i>I don t like to be <b>beholden</b> to anybody.</i>
<b>binding</b>	Fabric cut or woven in a strip used for binding the edges of a piece of material. <i>The book had a leather <b>binding</b>.</i>
<b>demonstrably</b>	In a way that is clearly apparent or capable of being logically proved. <i>The policies followed so far have <b>demonstrably</b> failed.</i>
<b><u>directive</u></b>	An official or authoritative instruction. <i>A new EC <b>directive</b>.</i>
<b>duty</b>	The social force that binds you to the courses of action demanded by that force. <i>Goods subject to excise <b>duty</b>.</i>
<b>economically</b>	With respect to economic science. <i>A precis aims to express a passage more <b>economically</b>.</i>
<b>enforceable</b>	(of a law, rule, or obligation) able to be imposed so that it must be complied with. <i>A binding and <b>enforceable</b> contract.</i>
<b>environmentally</b>	In a way that relates to a person's surroundings. <i>Measures designed to promote <b>environmentally</b> friendly farming.</i>
<b>impute</b>	Represent (something, especially something undesirable) as being done or possessed by someone; attribute. <i>Christ s righteousness has been <b>imputed</b> to us.</i>
<b>incorruptible</b>	Not subject to death or decay; everlasting. <i><b>Incorruptible</b> judges are the backbone of the society.</i>
<b><u>indebted</u></b>	Owing gratitude for a service or favour. <i>I am <b>indebted</b> to her for her help in indexing my book.</i>
<b>justified</b>	Having, done for, or marked by a good or legitimate reason. <i>The output is left <b>justified</b>.</i>

<b>legally</b>	By law; conforming to the law. <i>The weapons were purchased <b>legally</b>.</i>
<b>legitimize</b>	Make legitimate. <i>Voters <b>legitimize</b> the government through the election of public officials.</i>
<u><b>liable</b></u>	Likely to do or to be something. <i>Non resident trustees are <b>liable</b> to the basic rate of tax.</i>
<b>manumission</b>	Release from slavery. <i><b>Manumission</b> documents from the Slavery Chancellery.</i>
<b>morally</b>	With respect to moral principles. <i>People expected the government to behave <b>morally</b>.</i>
<u><b>must</b></u>	Used in ironic questions expressing irritation. <i>A book that is <b>must</b> reading.</i>
<u><b>obligated</b></u>	Caused by law or conscience to follow a certain course. <i>Felt <b>obligated</b> to repay the kindness.</i>
<b>partaker</b>	A person who consumes or indulges in something. <i>A <b>partaker</b> of dark chocolate.</i>
<b>recyclable</b>	A substance or object that can be recycled. <i>The containers are <b>recyclable</b>.</i>
<b>required</b>	Required by rule. <i>Eight editions were published each <b>required</b> reading for trainees.</i>
<b>responsibility</b>	The opportunity or ability to act independently and take decisions without authorization. <i>A true leader takes <b>responsibility</b> for their team and helps them achieve goals.</i>
<b>reusable</b>	Able to be used again or more than once. <i><b>Reusable</b> shopping bags.</i>
<u><b>sustainable</b></u>	Able to be upheld or defended. <i><b>Sustainable</b> definitions of good educational practice.</i>

