

Need another word that means the same as “shortly”? Find 34 synonyms and 30 related words for “shortly” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Shortly” are: before long, presently, soon, briefly, concisely, in brief, in short, curtly, short, directly, quite soon, in a short time, in a little while, in a short while, in a minute, in a moment, in a second, in less than no time, in less than no time at all, in next to no time, by and by, sharply, abruptly, bluntly, brusquely, tersely, in an offhand manner, ungraciously, gracelessly, surlily, testily, rudely, discourteously, impolitely

Shortly as an Adverb

Definitions of "Shortly" as an adverb

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

- *In a concise manner; in a few words.*
- *In the near future.*
- *At a short distance.*
- *In a curt, abrupt and discourteous manner.*
- *In a short time; soon.*
- *Abruptly, sharply, or curtly.*
- *For a short time.*
- *In a few words; briefly.*



Synonyms of "Shortly" as an adverb (34 Words)

abruptly	Suddenly and unexpectedly. <i>She barely conceals her irritation and speaks briefly and abruptly to the woman.</i>
before long	At or in the front.
bluntly	In an uncompromisingly forthright way. <i>To put it bluntly investors are suffering from a crisis.</i>
briefly	Using few words; concisely. <i>Briefly the plot is as follows.</i>
brusquely	In a blunt direct manner.
by and by	So as to pass a given point.
concisely	In a concise manner; in a few words. <i>His main objections to it can be concisely summarized.</i>

curtly	In a curt, abrupt and discourteous manner. <i>He told me curtly to get on with it.</i>
directly	In a frank way. <i>They went directly to the restaurant.</i>
discourteously	In an impolite manner.
gracelessly	Without grace; rigidly.
impolitely	In an impolite manner. <i>He treated her impolitely.</i>
in a little while	To or toward the inside of.
in a minute	To or toward the inside of.
in a moment	To or toward the inside of.
in a second	To or toward the inside of.
in a short time	To or toward the inside of.
in a short while	To or toward the inside of.
in an offhand manner	To or toward the inside of.
in brief	To or toward the inside of.
in less than no time	To or toward the inside of.
in less than no time at all	To or toward the inside of.
in next to no time	To or toward the inside of.
in short	To or toward the inside of.
presently	In the near future. <i>He is presently our ambassador to the United Nations.</i>
quite soon	Actually or truly or to an extreme.
rudely	In an offensive or bad-mannered way. <i>A stream of light in my eyes rudely awakened me.</i>
<u>sharply</u>	In a critical or hurtful manner; strongly or harshly. <i>A sharply deteriorating economy.</i>
short	At some point or distance before a goal is reached. <i>He made his fortune by selling short just before the crash.</i>
<u>soon</u>	Used to indicate one's preference in a particular matter. <i>I wish you d told me sooner.</i>
surlily	In a churlish manner.
tersely	In a short and concise manner. <i>A particular bird exactly and tersely described in the book of birds.</i>

testily

In a petulant manner.
*He said **testily** Go away.*

ungraciously

Without grace; rigidly.



Usage Examples of "Shortly" as an adverb

- *'Do you like cricket?' 'I do not,' she said shortly.*
- *He said shortly that he didn't like it.*
- *To put it shortly.*
- *The book will appear shortly.*
- *The new database will shortly be available for consultation.*
- *They received a letter shortly outlining the proposals.*
- *The flight was hijacked shortly after takeoff.*



Associations of "Shortly" (30 Words)

after	At a later or future time afterwards. <i>The week after I was back at school.</i>
<u>afterward</u>	Happening at a time subsequent to a reference time. <i>It didn't happen until afterward.</i>
<u>belated</u>	After the expected or usual time; delayed. <i>A belated birthday card.</i>
<u>briefly</u>	For a short time; fleetingly. <i>She replied briefly.</i>
coming	The temporal property of becoming nearer in time. <i>The forthcoming holidays.</i>
concisely	In a concise manner; in a few words. <i>His main objections to it can be concisely summarized.</i>

contemporary	Occurring in the same period of time. <i>Contemporary trends in design.</i>
current	Occurring in or belonging to the present time. <i>This completes the circuit so that a current flows to the lamp.</i>
currently	At the present time. <i>The EC is currently attempting greater economic integration.</i>
forthcoming	Ready or made available when wanted or needed. <i>Federal funds were not forthcoming.</i>
freshly	Very recently. <i>A freshly cleaned floor.</i>
future	A verb tense that expresses actions or states in the future. <i>The needs of future generations.</i>
hereafter	From now on. <i>This court is in no way prejudging any such defence which may hereafter be raised.</i>
late	Of a later stage in the development of a language or literature used especially of dead languages. <i>Their late quarrel.</i>
lately	In the recent past. <i>Lately the rules have been enforced.</i>
latest	Up to the immediate present; most recent or most up-to-date. <i>The very latest scientific discoveries.</i>
newly	In a new or different manner. <i>They are newly married.</i>
next	The next person or thing. <i>The next chapter.</i>
now	In these times- Nancy Mitford. <i>Now my first impulse was to run away.</i>
nowadays	At the present time, in contrast with the past. <i>It is solely by their language that the upper classes nowadays are distinguished.</i>
precocity	Intelligence achieved far ahead of normal developmental schedules.
present	Something presented as a gift. <i>Present at the creation.</i>
presently	After a short time; soon. <i>She will arrive presently.</i>

recent	The Holocene epoch. <i>A recent issue of the journal.</i>
recently	In the recent past. <i>I recently bought a CD player.</i>
soon	Early. <i>It was too soon to know.</i>
thereafter	From that time on. <i>It was agreed that the meeting be held annually thereafter.</i>
timing	(in an internal combustion engine) the times when the valves open and close, and the time of the ignition spark, in relation to the movement of the piston in the cylinder. <i>One of the secrets of cricket is good timing.</i>
today	At the present period of time; nowadays. <i>He will appear in court today.</i>
upcoming	About to happen; forthcoming. <i>The upcoming spring fashions.</i>

