

Need another word that means the same as “understatement”? Find 2 synonyms and 30 related words for “understatement” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Understatement” are: minimization, euphemism**

## Understatement as a Noun

### Definitions of "Understatement" as a noun

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

- *A statement that is restrained in ironic contrast to what might have been said.*
- *The presentation of something as being smaller or less good or important than it really is.*

### Synonyms of "Understatement" as a noun (2 Words)

**euphemism** An inoffensive or indirect expression that is substituted for one that is considered offensive or too harsh.

*The jargon has given us downsizing as a **euphemism** for cuts.*

**minimization** The representation or estimation of something at less than its true value or importance.

*Despite his **minimization** of the situation this is not a small outbreak.*

### Usage Examples of "Understatement" as a noun

- *To say I am delighted is an understatement.*
- *A master of English understatement.*

## Associations of "Understatement" (30 Words)

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| <b>abstemious</b>  | Sparing in consumption of especially food and drink.<br><i><b>Abstemious</b> with the use of adverbs.</i>                             |
| <b>anodyne</b>     | A painkilling drug or medicine.<br><i><b>Anodyne</b> music.</i>   |
| <b>appertain</b>   | Relate to; concern.<br><i>The institutional arrangements which <b>appertain</b> under the system.</i>                                 |
| <b>approach</b>    | The final path followed by an aircraft as it is landing.<br><i>The <b>approach</b> of winter.</i>                                     |
| <b>ascetic</b>     | Pertaining to or characteristic of an ascetic or the practice of rigorous self discipline.<br><i><b>Ascetic</b> practices.</i>        |
| <b>clarity</b>     | The quality of being certain or definite.<br><i>For the sake of <b>clarity</b> each of these strategies is dealt with separately.</i> |
| <b>contained</b>   | Gotten under control.<br><i>The oil spill is <b>contained</b>.</i>  |
| <b>controlled</b>  | Not showing emotion; having one's feelings under control.<br><i><b>Controlled</b> emotions.</i>                                       |
| <b>cool</b>        | Make cool or cooler.<br><i>Keep <b>cool</b>.</i>  |
| <b>directness</b>  | Trueness of course toward a goal.<br><i>He was renowned for the clarity and <b>directness</b> of his sermons.</i>                     |
| <b>disciplined</b> | Trained mentally or physically by instruction or exercise.<br><i>A <b>disciplined</b> mind.</i>                                       |
| <b>dominated</b>   | Harassed by persistent nagging.   |
| <b>downgrade</b>   | A downward gradient on a railway or road.<br><i><b>Downgrades</b> by debt rating agencies outnumber upgrades by five to one.</i>      |
| <b>downplay</b>    | Make (something) appear less important than it really is.<br><i>This report <b>downplays</b> the seriousness of global warming.</i>   |
| <b>ease</b>        | Of share prices interest rates etc decrease in value or amount.<br><i>He rose through the ranks with apparent <b>ease</b>.</i>        |
| <b>easiness</b>    | Freedom from difficulty or hardship or effort.<br><i>The <b>easiness</b> we feel when sleeping.</i>                                   |
| <b>generality</b>  | The majority.<br><i>His service was better than that offered by the <b>generality</b> of doctors.</i>                                 |

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| <b><u>minimize</u></b>   | Represent as less significant or important.<br><i>They may <b>minimize</b> or even overlook the importance of such beliefs.</i>                 |
| <b>mitigate</b>          | Make less severe or harsh.<br><i>Drainage schemes have helped to <b>mitigate</b> this problem.</i>  |
| <b><u>moderation</u></b> | A change for the better.<br><i>Coursework may need to be filed separately for the purposes of <b>moderation</b>.</i>                            |
| <b>reduce</b>            | Reduce in scope while retaining essential elements.<br><i>The cook <b>reduced</b> the sauce by boiling it for a long time.</i>                  |
| <b><u>refrain</u></b>    | Stop oneself from doing something.<br><i>She <b>refrained</b> from comment.</i>   |
| <b>relaxation</b>        | The restoration of equilibrium following disturbance.<br><i>The <b>relaxation</b> of requirements.</i>  |
| <b>remotely</b>          | In a remote manner.<br><i>New electronic meters can be read <b>remotely</b>.</i>  |
| <b>restrained</b>        | Under restraint.<br><i>The head and chest injuries that even <b>restrained</b> drivers can suffer through impact with the steering wheel.</i>   |
| <b>simplicity</b>        | The quality or condition of being plain or uncomplicated in form or design.<br><i>The grandeur and <b>simplicity</b> of Roman architecture.</i> |
| <b>subdued</b>           | (of a person or their manner) quiet and rather reflective or depressed.<br><i>A <b>subdued</b> glow came through the curtains.</i>              |
| <b><u>temperance</u></b> | Abstinence from alcoholic drink.<br><i>The <b>temperance</b> movement.</i>  |
| <b>understate</b>        | Represent as less significant or important.<br><i>The press have <b>understated</b> the extent of the problem.</i>                              |
| <b>undervalue</b>        | A price below the real value.<br><i>Through overfamiliarity it is easy to <b>undervalue</b> this concerto.</i>                                  |