

Need another word that means the same as “vicarious”? Find 7 synonyms and 30 related words for “vicarious” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Vicarious” are: indirect, secondary, derivative, derived, surrogate, substitute, substituted

Vicarious as an Adjective

Definitions of "Vicarious" as an adjective

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

- *Experienced in the imagination through the feelings or actions of another person.*
- *Acting or done for another.*
- *Suffered or done by one person as a substitute for another.*
- *Occurring in an abnormal part of the body instead of the usual site involved in that function.*
- *Experienced at secondhand.*



Synonyms of "Vicarious" as an adjective (7 Words)

- derivative** (of a product) having a value deriving from an underlying variable asset.
*Darwin's work is **derivative** of the moral philosophers.*
- derived** Formed or developed from something else; not original.
*The belief that classes and organizations are secondary and **derived**.*
- indirect** Having intervening factors or persons or influences.
*Sometimes taking an **indirect** path saves time.*
- secondary** (of an organic compound) having its functional group located on a carbon atom which is bonded to two other carbon atoms.
***Secondary** streams.*
- substitute** Artificial and inferior.
***Substitute** coffee.*
- substituted** Added to or taking the place of something else.
*The referee can stop a **substituted** player coming back on to the field.*

surrogate Denoting a child to whom a woman gives birth as a surrogate mother.
Surrogate father.

Usage Examples of "Vicarious" as an adjective

- *Read about mountain climbing and felt vicarious excitement.*
- *This catalogue brings vicarious pleasure in luxury living.*
- *Vicarious atonement.*
- *A vicarious atonement.*
- *Vicarious menstruation.*

Associations of "Vicarious" (30 Words)

accessory	Clothing that is worn or carried, but not part of your main clothing. <i>She was charged as an accessory to murder.</i>
additional	Further or added. <i>Called for additional troops.</i>
additive	Relating to the reproduction of colours by the superimposition of primary colours. <i>The combination of these factors has an additive effect.</i>
adjunct	A person who is another's assistant or subordinate. <i>Other adjunct therapies include immunotherapy.</i>
alternate	Be an understudy or alternate for a role. <i>The government alternated between the Labour and Conservative parties.</i>
<u>ancillary</u>	Providing necessary support to the primary activities or operation of an organization, system, etc. <i>Ancillary staff.</i>
appendage	A projecting part of an invertebrate or other living organism, with a distinct appearance or function. <i>A pair of feathery appendages through which oxygen is absorbed.</i>
assistant	Of or relating to a person who is subordinate to another. <i>My invaluable assistant.</i>
auxiliary	An auxiliary person or thing. <i>A nursing auxiliary.</i>
<u>byproduct</u>	A product made during the manufacture of something else.
costs	Pecuniary reimbursement to the winning party for the expenses of litigation.

extra	Excessive or extravagant. <i>They offered him an extra thirty five cents an hour.</i>
extraneous	Separate from the object to which it is attached. <i>Other insects attach extraneous objects or material to themselves.</i>
<u>insignificant</u>	Devoid of importance, meaning, or force. <i>Insignificant sounds.</i>
instead	As an alternative or substitute. <i>Used English terms instead of Latin ones.</i>
levy	An act of levying a tax fee or fine. <i>Police forces receive 49 per cent of their funding via a levy on the rates.</i>
<u>minor</u>	A minor term or premise. <i>Many of these hardy adventurers were minor noblemen.</i>
<u>plus</u>	On the positive side or higher end of a scale. <i>Companies put losses at 500 000 plus.</i>
<u>secondary</u>	A secondary school. <i>Secondary streams.</i>
standby	Something that can be relied on when needed. <i>A standby credit facility.</i>
<u>subordinate</u>	Make subordinate dependent or subservient. <i>A subordinate kingdom.</i>
subsidiary	A company that is completely controlled by another company. <i>A subsidiary of Cable and Wireless.</i>
<u>substitute</u>	Act as a substitute. <i>Substitute coffee.</i>
supersede	Take the place of (a person or thing previously in authority or use); supplant. <i>The older models of car have now been superseded.</i>
supplementary	A supplementary person or thing. <i>The development of databases supplementary to existing ones.</i>
surcharge	Mark a postage stamp with a surcharge. <i>The air was surcharged with tension.</i>
<u>tertiary</u>	Relating to or denoting the first period of the Cenozoic era, between the Cretaceous and Quaternary periods, and comprising the Palaeogene and Neogene sub-periods. <i>The tertiary consumers must hunt for their food.</i>
tributary	A branch that flows into the main stream. <i>The Illinois River a tributary of the Mississippi.</i>

- unessential** Not absolutely necessary; inessential.
*A train has broken down resulting in a call to postpone all **unessential** travel.*
- unimportant** Devoid of importance, meaning, or force.
*The question seems **unimportant**.*