

Need another word that means the same as “withstand”? Find 21 synonyms and 30 related words for “withstand” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Withstand” are: hold out, resist, stand firm, defy, hold, hold up, hold out against, stand firm against, hold one's ground against, stand one's ground against, bear up against, hold the line against, persevere in the face of, stand up to, fight, combat, grapple with, oppose, face, confront, brave

Withstand as a Verb

Definitions of "Withstand" as a verb

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

- *Offer strong resistance or opposition to.*
- *Stand up or offer resistance to somebody or something.*
- *Resist or confront with resistance.*
- *Remain undamaged or unaffected by; resist.*

Synonyms of "Withstand" as a verb (21 Words)

bear up against	Put up with something or somebody unpleasant.
brave	Endure or face (unpleasant conditions or behaviour) without showing fear. <i>These six men braved the rough seas.</i>
combat	Battle or contend against in or as if in a battle. <i>He hath no more antagonists to combat.</i>

confront	Appear or be placed in front of (someone) so as to unsettle or threaten them. <i>Usually the best thing you can do in an embarrassing situation is to confront it head on.</i>
defy	Be of such a kind or nature that (a specified attitude or action) is almost impossible. <i>His actions defy belief.</i>
face	Have the face or front pointing in a specified direction. <i>The external basement walls were faced with granite slabs.</i>
fight	Be engaged in a fight carry on a fight. <i>General Hill fights his troops well.</i>
grapple with	Come to terms with.
hold	Support or hold in a certain manner. <i>Hold your tongue.</i>
hold one's ground against	Resist or confront with resistance.
hold out	Arrange for and reserve (something for someone else) in advance.
hold out against	Keep from departing.
hold the line against	Keep in mind or convey as a conviction or view.
hold up	Resist or confront with resistance.
oppose	Actively resist (a person or system). <i>A majority of the electorate opposed EC membership.</i>
persevere in the face of	Be persistent, refuse to stop.
resist	Resist immunologically the introduction of some foreign tissue or organ. <i>Sweets are much easier to resist when you ve filled up on healthy food first.</i>
stand firm	Be tall; have a height of; copula.
stand firm against	Put up with something or somebody unpleasant.
stand one's ground against	Remain inactive or immobile.
stand up to	Be standing; be upright.

Usage Examples of "Withstand" as a verb

- *The new material withstands even the greatest wear and tear.*

- *Constantinople withstood the eastern invaders.*
- *The structure had been designed to withstand winds of more than 100 mph.*

Associations of "Withstand" (30 Words)

bear	Strongly dislike. <i>Steamboats bear the traveller out of Kerrerra Sound.</i>
cope	Come to terms with. <i>It all got too much for me and I couldn't cope.</i>
defy	Resist or confront with resistance. <i>Go now defy him to the combat.</i>
endurance	A state of surviving; remaining alive. <i>The marathon tests a runner's endurance.</i>
endure	Continue to exist. <i>It seemed impossible that anyone could endure such pain.</i>
forbear	Refrain from doing or using (something). <i>She could not forbear weeping.</i>
forbearance	Good-natured tolerance of delay or incompetence. <i>His forbearance to reply was alarming.</i>
fortitude	Strength of mind that enables one to endure adversity with courage. <i>She endured her illness with great fortitude.</i>
grapple	A wrestling match. <i>He grappled the young man around the throat.</i>
handle	The feel of goods especially textiles when handled. <i>The new model does not handle nearly so well.</i>
maintenance	Means of maintenance of a family or group. <i>A divorced man paying his ex wife 2 500 a year maintenance.</i>
manage	Be the manager of a sports team or a performer. <i>She manages horses better than anyone I know.</i>
obstinacy	The quality or condition of being obstinate; stubbornness. <i>His reputation for obstinacy.</i>
patience	A card game played by one person. <i>You can find bargains if you have the patience to sift through the rubbish.</i>
patiently	With patience; in a patient manner. <i>He patiently explained the pros and cons.</i>
perseverance	Persistent determination. <i>Medicine is a field which requires dedication and perseverance.</i>

persevere	Continue in a course of action even in the face of difficulty or with little or no indication of success. <i>His family persevered with his treatment.</i>
<u>persist</u>	Be persistent refuse to stop. <i>The minority of drivers who persist in drinking.</i>
persistence	The continued or prolonged existence of something. <i>The persistence of huge environmental problems.</i>
recalcitrance	The trait of being unmanageable.
<u>resist</u>	Stand up or offer resistance to somebody or something. <i>He didn't resist despite the weapons he had.</i>
<u>stamina</u>	Enduring strength and energy. <i>Their secret is stamina rather than speed.</i>
struggle	Make one's way with difficulty. <i>Politicians continued to struggle over familiar issues.</i>
<u>survival</u>	The state or fact of continuing to live or exist, typically in spite of an accident, ordeal, or difficult circumstances. <i>The animal's chances of survival were pretty low.</i>
<u>survive</u>	Live longer than. <i>He was survived by his wife and six children.</i>
<u>sustain</u>	An effect or facility on a keyboard or electronic instrument whereby a note can be sustained after the key is released. <i>He sustained severe head injuries.</i>
<u>tolerate</u>	Have a tolerance for a poison or strong drug or pathogen or environmental condition. <i>Lichens grow in conditions that no other plants tolerate.</i>
toleration	A disposition to tolerate or accept people or situations. <i>All people should practice toleration and live together in peace.</i>
tribulation	An annoying or frustrating or catastrophic event. <i>Life is full of tribulations.</i>
<u>upkeep</u>	The act of sustaining life by food or providing a means of subsistence. <i>We will be responsible for the upkeep of the access road.</i>