

Positive verbs that start with N

12 verbs with meanings and examples. Updated 10 October 2026. Free to print and share in a classroom.

Navigate v.

To find a successful path through a place, process, or difficulty.
A patient adviser helped the family navigate the application process.

Neaten v.

To make something tidy, orderly, or easier to use.
A few labeled boxes will neaten the busy supply room.

Negotiate v.

To discuss differences in order to reach a workable agreement.
The neighbors met to negotiate fair use of the shared driveway.

Nestle v.

To settle into a warm, safe, or comfortable position.
The rescued kitten nestled into the soft blanket.

Network v.

To build useful and supportive professional or social connections.
Local founders network each month to share practical advice.

Nominate v.

To put someone forward for an honor or role.
Residents can nominate a volunteer who strengthened the neighborhood.

Notice v.

To become aware of and give attention to someone or something.
Good mentors notice quiet progress as well as major achievements.

Nourish v.

To support healthy growth with food, care, knowledge, or encouragement.
Libraries nourish curiosity by making knowledge easier to reach.

Nudge v.

To encourage someone gently toward a helpful action.
A friendly reminder nudged him to finish the application.

Nurse v.

To care for someone or something patiently back to health or strength.
They nursed the injured bird until it could fly again.

Nurture v.

To care for and encourage growth or development.
Patient mentors nurture both skill and confidence.

Nuzzle v.

To touch or rub gently as a sign of affection.
The old dog would nuzzle each visitor's hand for affection.