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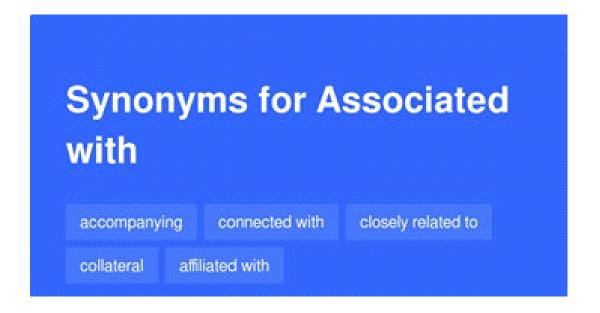


Writing Resources 009

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Short answer: associate with (this is correct)

Long answer: read on



Associate with means to establish a link between one thing and another.

I *associate* winter *with* snow.

Smoking is *associated with* lung cancer.

Associate to is non-standard English

Associate with can be used to do the following:

- connect (someone or something) with something else.
- "I associated wealth with freedom"
- a partner or companion in business or at work.
- "a close *associate* of the minister"
- a person with limited or subordinate membership of an organization.
- "an *associate* of the Geographic Society"
- (adjective) connected with an organization or business.
- "an *associated* company"
- I don't want my children *associating with* drug addicts and alcoholics.

(here the meaning is "meet", "be in the company of", "be friends of")

• She was prepared to take on the job, with all its *associated* risks.

(here the meaning is "connected")

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(this could be due to people not knowing the correct form and others who just copy without thinking; then, of course, we have the USA*, and we all know that they do not even have an official language!)

*(Although the United States does not have an official language, the most commonly used language is English (specifically, American English), which is the *de facto* national language, and the only one spoken at home by approximately 78% of the U.S. population)

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