

Need another word that means the same as “abstraction”? Find 31 synonyms and 30 related words for “abstraction” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Abstraction” are: abstractedness, generalisation, generalization, abstract entity, abstract, concept, idea, notion, thought, generality, theory, theorem, formula, hypothesis, speculation, conjecture, supposition, presumption, distraction, preoccupation, daydreaming, dreaminess, inattentiveness, inattention, absence, heedlessness, obliviousness, extraction, removal, separation, detachment**

## Abstraction as a Noun

### Definitions of "Abstraction" as a noun

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

- *Freedom from representational qualities in art.*
- *A state of preoccupation.*
- *Preoccupation with something to the exclusion of all else.*
- *The act of withdrawing or removing something.*
- *Something which exists only as an idea.*
- *A general concept formed by extracting common features from specific examples.*
- *The process of formulating general concepts by abstracting common properties of instances.*
- *An abstract painting.*
- *An abstract work of art.*
- *The quality of dealing with ideas rather than events.*
- *The process of considering something independently of its associations or attributes.*
- *The process of removing something, especially water from a river or other source.*

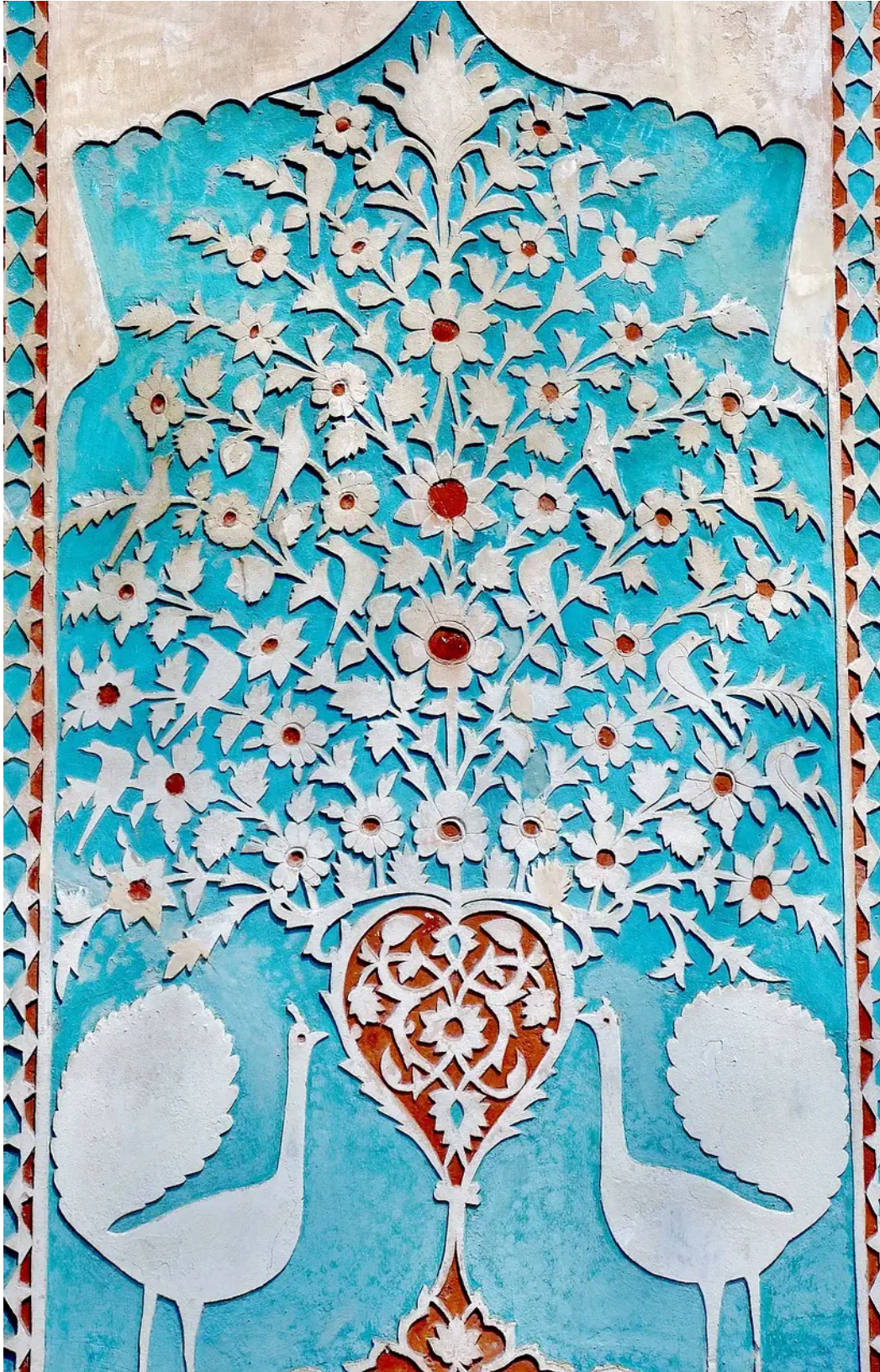
- *A concept or idea not associated with any specific instance.*



## Synonyms of "Abstraction" as a noun (31 Words)

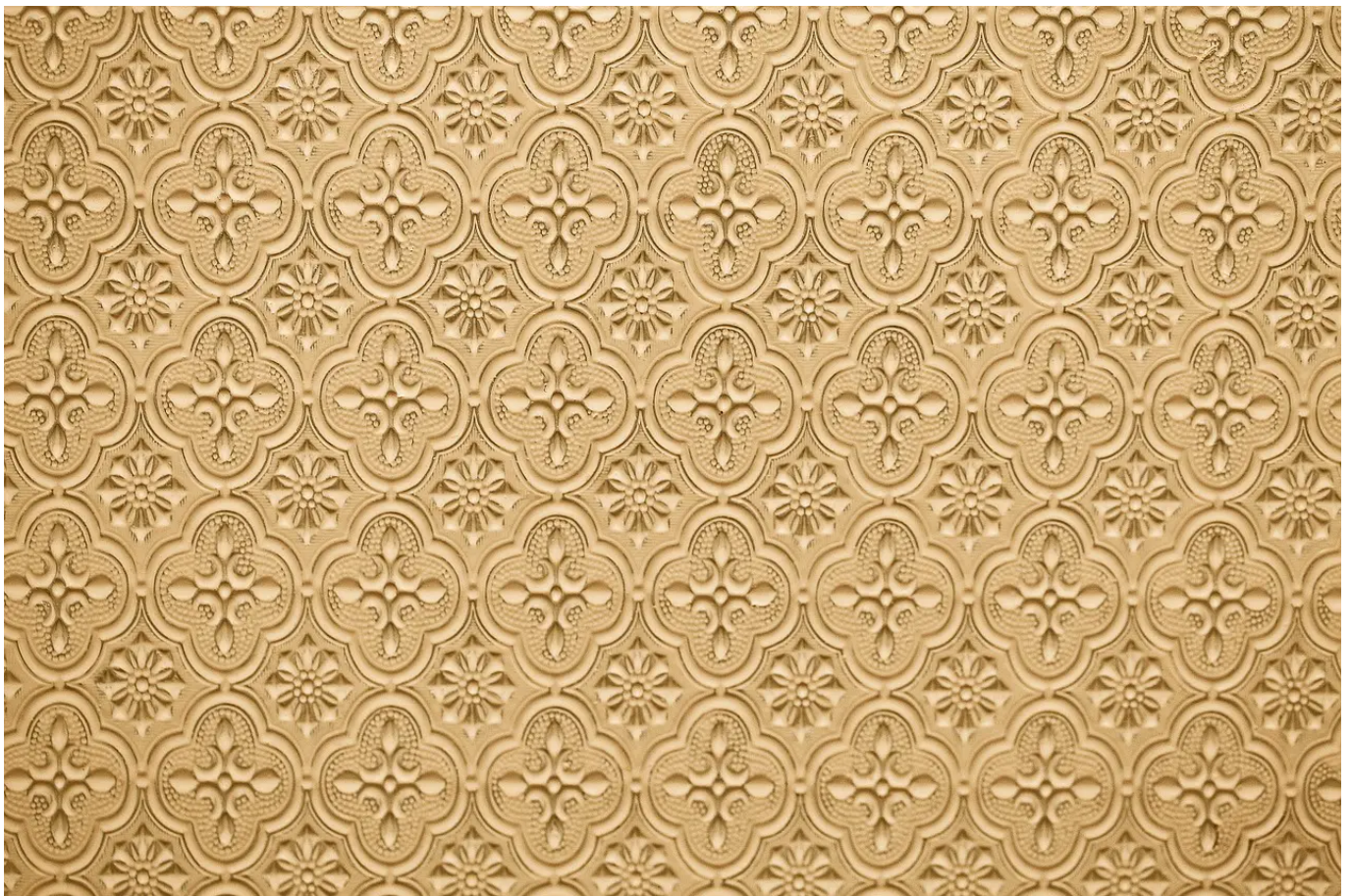
<a href="#">absence</a>	The state of being absent. <i>Repeated <b>absences</b> from school.</i>
<a href="#">abstract</a>	An abstract work of art. <i>A big unframed <b>abstract</b>.</i>
<b>abstract entity</b>	A concept or idea not associated with any specific instance.
<b>abstractedness</b>	Preoccupation with something to the exclusion of all else.
<b>concept</b>	An idea or invention to help sell or publicize a commodity. <i>Structuralism is a difficult <b>concept</b>.</i>
<a href="#">conjecture</a>	An unproven mathematical or scientific theorem. <i>He dismissed it as mere <b>conjecture</b>.</i>
<b>daydreaming</b>	Absentminded dreaming while awake.
<b>detachment</b>	A small unit of troops of special composition. <i>Structural problems resulted in cracking and <b>detachment</b> of the wall.</i>
<a href="#">distraction</a>	A diversion or recreation. <i>He roved the district in search of <b>distraction</b>.</i>
<b>dreaminess</b>	A relaxed comfortable feeling.
<a href="#">extraction</a>	The action of extracting something, especially using effort or force. <i>A worker of Polish <b>extraction</b>.</i>
<a href="#">formula</a>	A formulation. <i>The forlorn hope of finding a peace <b>formula</b>.</i>
<b>generalisation</b>	Reasoning from detailed facts to general principles.
<b>generality</b>	An idea or conclusion having general application. <i>Policy should be formulated at an appropriate level of <b>generality</b>.</i>
<a href="#">generalization</a>	An idea or conclusion having general application. <i>Such anecdotes cannot be a basis for <b>generalization</b>.</i>
<b>heedlessness</b>	The trait of forgetting or ignoring your responsibilities.
<b>hypothesis</b>	A message expressing an opinion based on incomplete evidence. <i>The <b>hypothesis</b> that every event has a cause.</i>
<b>idea</b>	A personal view. <i>The <b>idea</b> of linking pay to performance has caught on.</i>
<b>inattention</b>	Lack of attention; distraction. <i>His <b>inattention</b> to duty.</i>
<b>inattentiveness</b>	The trait of not being considerate and thoughtful of others.

<b>notion</b>	Small personal articles or clothing or sewing items. <i>She had a <b>notion</b> to ring her friend at work.</i>
<b>obliviousness</b>	Total forgetfulness.
<b><u>preoccupation</u></b>	The mental state of being preoccupied by something. <i>His <b>preoccupation</b> with politics.</i>
<b><u>presumption</u></b>	An assumption that is taken for granted. <i>The planning policy shows a general <b>presumption</b> in favour of development.</i>
<b>removal</b>	The dismissal of someone from a job. <i>The <b>removal</b> of all legal barriers to the free movement of goods.</i>
<b><u>separation</u></b>	Distinction or difference between the signals carried by the two channels of a stereophonic system. <i>The <b>separation</b> of wheat from chaff.</i>
<b>speculation</b>	A hypothesis that has been formed by speculating or conjecturing (usually with little hard evidence). <i>This is pure <b>speculation</b> on my part.</i>
<b>supposition</b>	A hypothesis that is taken for granted. <i>Their outrage was based on <b>supposition</b> and hearsay.</i>
<b>theorem</b>	A rule in algebra or other branches of mathematics expressed by symbols or formulae.
<b><u>theory</u></b>	A tentative insight into the natural world; a concept that is not yet verified but that if true would explain certain facts or phenomena. <i>The architect has a <b>theory</b> that more is less.</i>
<b>thought</b>	An idea or opinion produced by thinking, or occurring suddenly in the mind. <i>Mrs Oliver s first <b>thought</b> was to get help.</i>



## Usage Examples of "Abstraction" as a noun

- *Abstractions from the Lowther in Cumbria.*
- *The question cannot be considered in abstraction from the historical context in which it was raised.*
- *A series of black-and-white abstractions.*
- *The question can no longer be treated as an academic abstraction.*
- *She sensed his momentary abstraction.*
- *Topics will vary in degrees of abstraction.*
- *Critics sought the meaning of O'Keeffe's abstractions.*
- *The abstraction of water from springs and wells.*
- *Geometric abstraction has been a mainstay in her work.*



## Associations of "Abstraction" (30 Words)

<b><u>abstract</u></b>	Dealing with a subject in the abstract without practical purpose or intention. <i>His pockets contained all he had been able to <b>abstract</b> from the flat.</i>
<b>chimerical</b>	Produced by a wildly fanciful imagination- Douglas Bush. <i>His Utopia is not a <b>chimerical</b> commonwealth but a practical improvement on what already exists.</i>
<b><u>conceive</u></b>	Have the idea for. <i>The dam project was originally <b>conceived</b> in 1977.</i>
<b>concept</b>	An idea or mental image which corresponds to some distinct entity or class of entities, or to its essential features, or determines the application of a term (especially a predicate), and thus plays a part in the use of reason or language. <i>The <b>concept</b> of justice.</i>
<b>conception</b>	Ability to imagine; understanding. <i>An unfertilized egg before <b>conception</b>.</i>
<b>creation</b>	The creating of the universe, especially when regarded as an act of God. <i>Job <b>creation</b>.</i>
<b>creative</b>	A person whose job involves creative work. <i><b>Creative</b> work.</i>
<b>creativity</b>	The ability to create.
<b>design</b>	Create designs. <i><b>Design</b> a new sales strategy.</i>
<b>fanciful</b>	Indulging in or influenced by fancy. <i>A <b>fanciful</b> Art Nouveau bar.</i>
<b><u>fantasy</u></b>	Imagination unrestricted by reality. <i>The notion of being independent is a child's ultimate <b>fantasy</b>.</i>
<b>fundamental</b>	A fundamental note tone or frequency. <i>A <b>fundamental</b> incompatibility between them.</i>
<b>hallucinatory</b>	Of or resembling a hallucination. <i>A <b>hallucinatory</b> fantasy.</i>
<b>idea</b>	A mental impression. <i>He has an <b>idea</b> that we don't like him.</i>
<b>ideational</b>	Being of the nature of a notion or concept. <i>Policy has been shaped by both material and <b>ideational</b> factors.</i>
<b><u>image</u></b>	(in biblical use) an idol. <i>Voyager 2 sent back <b>images</b> of the planet Neptune.</i>



<b><u>imagery</u></b>	Visually descriptive or figurative language, especially in a literary work. <i>The impact of computer generated <b>imagery</b> on contemporary art.</i>
<b>imaginable</b>	Capable of being imagined. <i>The most spectacular views <b>imaginable</b>.</i>
<b><u>imaginary</u></b>	(of a number or quantity) expressed in terms of the square root of a negative number (usually the square root of $-1$ , represented by $i$ or $j$ ). <i>Chris had <b>imaginary</b> conversations with her.</i>
<b><u>imagination</u></b>	The ability of the mind to be creative or resourceful. <i>She was set in her ways and lacked <b>imagination</b>.</i>
<b><u>imaginative</u></b>	Marked by independence and creativity in thought or action- Lewis Mumford. <i>He was <b>imaginative</b> beyond all other architects.</i>
<b><u>imagine</u></b>	Form a mental image or concept of. <i>I couldn't <b>imagine</b> what she expected to tell them.</i>
<b>impalpable</b>	Not perceptible to the touch. <i>As <b>impalpable</b> as a dream.</i>
<b>innovation</b>	A new method, idea, product, etc. <i>Technological <b>innovations</b> designed to save energy.</i>
<b>innovative</b>	(of a person) introducing new ideas; original and creative in thinking. <i><b>Innovative</b> members of the artistic community.</i>
<b><u>invention</u></b>	The act of inventing. <i>Medieval <b>inventions</b> included spectacles for reading and the spinning wheel.</i>
<b>mindset</b>	A habitual or characteristic mental attitude that determines how you will interpret and respond to situations. <i>The region seems stuck in a medieval <b>mindset</b>.</i>
<b>notion</b>	Items used in sewing, such as buttons, pins, and hooks. <i>She had a <b>notion</b> to ring her friend at work.</i>
<b><u>theoretical</u></b>	Concerned with theories rather than their practical applications. <i>The <b>theoretical</b> value of their work.</i>
<b>universality</b>	The quality of being universal; existing everywhere. <i>We affirm the <b>universality</b> of human rights.</i>

