

Need another word that means the same as “aim”? Find 66 synonyms and 30 related words for “aim” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Aim” are: calculate, direct, aspire, draw a bead on, shoot for, drive, get, place, point, target, propose, purport, purpose, take, take aim, train, sight, focus, level, line up, position, take aim at, fix on, zero in on, intend for, mean for, address to, destine for, work towards, be after, set one's sights on, try for, strive for, pursue, seek, aspire to, endeavour to achieve, have in view, have designs on, wish for, want, intend, plan, resolve, design, mean, have in mind, bearing, heading, intent, intention, object, objective, goal, end, grail, holy grail, desire, desired result, idea, object of the exercise

Aim as a Noun

Definitions of "Aim" as a noun

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

- *The direction or path along which something moves or along which it lies.*
- *The directing of a weapon or missile at a target.*
- *The goal intended to be attained (and which is believed to be attainable).*
- *A purpose or intention; a desired outcome.*
- *An anticipated outcome that is intended or that guides your planned actions.*
- *The action of directing something at an object.*



Synonyms of "Aim" as a noun (19 Words)

[bearing](#)

Characteristic way of bearing one's body.
*Armorial **bearings**.*

design

A decorative or artistic work.
*It was an excellent **design** for living.*

desire

Something desired.
*He resisted public **desires** for choice in education.*

desired result

Something that is desired.

end

The point in time at which something ends.
*A defensive **end**.*

goal

An instance of sending the ball into or over the goal especially as a unit of scoring in a game.
*We won by three **goals** to two.*

grail	Chalice used by Christ at the Last Supper. <i>A cure for the common cold is the medical holy grail.</i>
heading	A strip of cloth at the top of a curtain above the hooks or wire by which it is suspended. <i>This topic falls under four main headings.</i>
holy grail	A sacred place of pilgrimage.
idea	Your intention; what you intend to do. <i>A rough idea how long it would take.</i>
intent	Intention or purpose. <i>Good intentions are not enough.</i>
<u>intention</u>	An anticipated outcome that is intended or that guides your planned actions. <i>She was full of good intentions.</i>
object	The goal intended to be attained (and which is believed to be attainable). <i>It was full of rackets balls and other objects.</i>
object of the exercise	A tangible and visible entity; an entity that can cast a shadow.
objective	The objective case. <i>The system has achieved its objective.</i>
plan	A drawing or diagram made by projection on a horizontal plane especially one showing the layout of a building or one floor of a building. <i>They discussed plans for a new bond issue.</i>
point	A pointed flake or blade especially one that has been worked. <i>Get to the point.</i>
purpose	The quality of being determined to do or achieve something firmness of purpose. <i>State pensions are considered as earned income for tax purposes.</i>
<u>target</u>	The location of the target that is to be hit. <i>The car met its sales target in record time.</i>



Usage Examples of "Aim" as a noun

- *His aim was perfect.*
- *Our primary aim is to achieve financial discipline.*
- *It was created with the conscious aim of answering immediate needs.*
- *He took aim and fired.*



Aim as a Verb

Definitions of "Aim" as a verb

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

- *Specifically design a product, event, or activity for a certain public.*
- *Propose or intend.*
- *Direct information, a product, or an action towards (a particular group.*
- *Direct (a missile or blow) at someone or something.*
- *Point or cause to go (blows, weapons, or objects such as photographic equipment) towards.*
- *Point or direct (a weapon or camera) at a target.*
- *Intend (something) to move towards a certain goal.*
- *Have the intention of achieving.*
- *Direct (a remark) toward an intended goal.*
- *Have an ambitious plan or a lofty goal.*
- *Move into a desired direction of discourse.*



Synonyms of "Aim" as a verb (47 Words)

address to	Direct a question at someone.
<u>aspire</u>	Have an ambitious plan or a lofty goal. <i>We never thought that we might aspire to those heights.</i>
aspire to	Have an ambitious plan or a lofty goal.
be after	Have the quality of being; (copula, used with an adjective or a predicate noun.
<u>calculate</u>	Make a mathematical calculation or computation. <i>I was bright enough to calculate that she had been on vacation.</i>
design	Create the design for create or execute in an artistic or highly skilled manner. <i>Dupont designs for the house of Chanel.</i>
destine for	Decree or designate beforehand.

direct	Plan and direct a complex undertaking. <i>Criticism directed at her superior.</i>
draw a bead on	Cause to flow.
<u>drive</u>	Of a motor vehicle travel under the control of a driver. <i>He drives a bread truck.</i>
endeavour to achieve	Attempt by employing effort.
fix on	Make ready or suitable or equip in advance for a particular purpose or for some use, event, etc.
focus	Cause one's eyes to focus. <i>Please focus on your studies and not on your hobbies.</i>
get	Take vengeance on or get even. <i>His lying really gets me.</i>
have designs on	Have sex with; archaic use.
have in mind	Have as a feature.
have in view	Undergo (as of injuries and illnesses).
<u>intend</u>	Mean or intend to express or convey. <i>No offence was intended I assure you.</i>
intend for	Have in mind as a purpose.
level	Become level or even. <i>Accusations of corruption had been levelled against him.</i>
line up	Reinforce with fabric.
mean	Mean or intend to express or convey. <i>Yes I meant you when I complained about people who gossip.</i>
mean for	Intend to refer to.
place	Take a place in a competition often followed by an ordinal. <i>They placed a contract for three boats.</i>
plan	Make plans for something. <i>He plans to fly on Wednesday.</i>
point	Insert points in written text of Semitic languages. <i>The bricks have been poorly pointed.</i>
position	Put or arrange (someone or something) in a particular place or way. <i>She positioned herself on a bench.</i>
<u>propose</u>	Propose or intend. <i>The senator proposed to abolish the sales tax.</i>

<u>purport</u>	Have the often specious appearance of being, intending, or claiming. <i>She is not the person she purports to be.</i>
purpose	Propose or intend. <i>God has allowed suffering even purposed it.</i>
<u>pursue</u>	Follow or chase (someone or something). <i>Mercy lasts as long as sin pursues man.</i>
resolve	Make clearly visible. <i>The firm aims to resolve problems within 30 days.</i>
seek	Go to or towards. <i>She always seeks to do good in the world.</i>
set one's sights on	Make ready or suitable or equip in advance for a particular purpose or for some use, event, etc.
shoot for	Give an injection to.
sight	Adjust the sight of a firearm or optical instrument. <i>He had to sight along the planks in the proper order to get the line right.</i>
strive for	Attempt by employing effort.
take	Make undertake or perform an action or task. <i>The nurse takes my blood pressure.</i>
take aim	Be stricken by an illness, fall victim to an illness.
take aim at	Take on a certain form, attribute, or aspect.
<u>target</u>	Intend (something) to move towards a certain goal. <i>Warheads were targeted on a European city.</i>
<u>train</u>	Travel by rail or train. <i>He trained as a plumber.</i>
try for	Put to the test, as for its quality, or give experimental use to.
want	Hunt or look for want for a particular reason. <i>She wanted me to leave.</i>
wish for	Order politely express a wish for.
work towards	Proceed towards a goal or along a path or through an activity.
zero in on	Adjust (as by firing under test conditions) the zero of (a gun).



Usage Examples of "Aim" as a verb

- *Aim the camcorder at some suitable object.*
- *The TV campaign is aimed at the 16-24 age group.*
- *She wanted to aim a pun.*
- *Aim for the middle of the target.*
- *She had aimed the bottle at Gary's head.*
- *We aim to give you the best possible service.*
- *I aim to arrive at noon.*
- *Please don't aim at your little brother!*
- *He aimed his fists towards his opponent's face.*
- *We should aim for free and fair competition.*
- *The programme will aim at deepening understanding.*



Associations of "Aim" (30 Words)

<u>accusatory</u>	Containing or expressing accusation. <i>Black accusatory looks.</i>
<u>aimless</u>	Aimlessly drifting. <i>An aimless existence.</i>
<u>animus</u>	The rational mind. <i>The reformist animus came from within the Party.</i>
<u>aspiration</u>	A hope or ambition of achieving something. <i>The needs and aspirations of the people.</i>
deliberately	Consciously and intentionally; on purpose. <i>Slowly and deliberately he rose from the armchair.</i>
designed	Done or made or performed with purpose and intent. <i>Games designed for all ages.</i>

goal	A cage or basket used as a goal in other sports. <i>The decisive opening goal.</i>
heading	A line of text serving to indicate what the passage below it is about. <i>He crawled on a heading of 90 degrees until he came to the track.</i>
<u>impersonal</u>	Not relating to or responsive to individual persons. <i>He gradually came to believe in an impersonal God.</i>
incriminate	Make (someone) appear guilty of a crime or wrongdoing. <i>He refused to answer questions in order not to incriminate himself.</i>
intended	Future; betrothed. <i>Your intended trip abroad.</i>
intent	Intention or purpose. <i>Good intentions are not enough.</i>
<u>intention</u>	A thing intended; an aim or plan. <i>If his intentions aren't honourable I never want to see him again.</i>
intentionality	The quality of mental states (e.g. thoughts, beliefs, desires, hopes) which consists in their being directed towards some object or state of affairs.
knowingly	In full awareness or consciousness; deliberately. <i>When a journalist knowingly misleads their readers.</i>
mean	Mean or intend to express or convey. <i>The proposals are likely to mean another hundred closures.</i>
objective	The objective case. <i>Objective art.</i>
<u>opportunist</u>	Opportunistic. <i>Most burglaries are committed by casual opportunists.</i>
<u>propose</u>	Propose or intend. <i>She proposed marriage to the man she had known for only two months.</i>
<u>purport</u>	Propose or intend. <i>The purport of existence.</i>
purpose	The quality of being determined to do or achieve something firmness of purpose. <i>There was a new sense of purpose in her step as she set off.</i>
purposeful	Having or showing determination or resolve. <i>Led a happy purposeful life.</i>
purposely	On purpose; intentionally. <i>She had purposely made it difficult.</i>
purposive	Having or showing or acting with a purpose or design. <i>Purposive behavior.</i>

reconfirm	Confirm again. <i>This has been reconfirmed by a recent Higher Labour Court decision.</i>
skillfully	With skill. <i>Fragments of a nearly complete jug skillfully restored at the institute of archaeology.</i>
squarely	Directly, without deviating to one side. <i>The responsibility lies squarely with them.</i>
<u>target</u>	The location of the target that is to be hit. <i>The target of a manhunt.</i>
teleology	The doctrine of design and purpose in the material world. <i>His theory of class consciousness is predicated on a teleology.</i>
wittingly	With full knowledge and deliberation. <i>Everyone wittingly or otherwise will become involved.</i>

