

Need another word that means the same as “anchor”? Find 54 synonyms and 30 related words for “anchor” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Anchor” are: ground tackle, anchorman, anchorperson, backbone, keystone, linchpin, lynchpin, mainstay, cornerstone, bulwark, chief support, main source of security, main source of stability, foundation, prop, centre, central point, centre of attention, hub, pivot, nucleus, heart, kingpin, bedrock, basis, cynosure, announcer, anchorwoman, newscaster, broadcaster, reporter, ground, cast anchor, drop anchor, moor, berth, harbour, be at anchor, tie up, secure, fasten, attach, make fast, connect, bind, affix, fix, stick, lodge, implant, embed, host, introduce, announce

Anchor as a Noun

Definitions of "Anchor" as a noun

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

- *A person or thing that provides stability or confidence in an otherwise uncertain situation.*
- *A television reporter who coordinates a broadcast to which several correspondents contribute.*
- *A large and prestigious department store prominently sited in a new shopping centre.*
- *A heavy object attached to a cable or chain and used to moor a ship to the sea bottom,*

typically having a metal shank with a pair of curved, barbed flukes at one end.

- *The brakes of a car.*
- *An anchorman or anchorwoman.*
- *A mechanical device that prevents a vessel from moving.*
- *A central cohesive source of support and stability.*



Synonyms of "Anchor" as a noun (31 Words)

anchorman	A television reporter who coordinates a broadcast to which several correspondents contribute. <i>The anchorman of the Hampshire batting.</i>
anchorperson	A television reporter who coordinates a broadcast to which several correspondents contribute.
anchorwoman	A female member of a relay team who runs the last leg. <i>The team's anchorwoman was the primary reason why they won April's crown.</i>

<u>announcer</u>	A person who announces something, in particular someone who introduces or gives information about programmes on radio or television.
backbone	Strength of character. <i>The great Pennine range is the backbone of England.</i>
<u>basis</u>	The justification for or reasoning behind something. <i>He worked on an interim basis.</i>
bedrock	Solid unweathered rock lying beneath surface deposits of soil. <i>Honesty is the bedrock of a good relationship.</i>
broadcaster	A person who presents a radio or television transmission. <i>He became a successful broadcaster both on television and the wireless.</i>
bulwark	A person or thing that acts as a defence. <i>The security forces are a bulwark against the breakdown of society.</i>
central point	A workplace that serves as a telecommunications facility where lines from telephones can be connected together to permit communication.
centre	A building dedicated to a particular activity. <i>Geneva was then the centre of the banking world.</i>
centre of attention	The process whereby a person concentrates on some features of the environment to the (relative) exclusion of others.
chief support	A person who exercises control over workers.
<u>cornerstone</u>	A stone that forms the base of a corner of a building, joining two walls. <i>A national minimum wage remained the cornerstone of policy.</i>
cynosure	Something that strongly attracts attention and admiration. <i>Let faith be your cynosure to walk by.</i>
foundation	Education or instruction in the fundamentals of a field of knowledge. <i>Without stability the country will not be able hold the elections that will lay the foundation for a peaceful and democratic future.</i>
ground tackle	A connection between an electrical device and a large conducting body, such as the earth (which is taken to be at zero voltage).
heart	The heart regarded as the centre of a person's thoughts and emotions especially love compassion or loyalty. <i>A well maintained farm in good heart.</i>

hub

The central part of a wheel, rotating on or with the axle, and from which the spokes radiate.

*The city has always been the financial **hub** of the country.*

keystone

A central cohesive source of support and stability.

*The **keystone** of campaign reform was the ban on soft money.*

kingpin

The front bowling pin in the triangular arrangement of ten pins.

*The **kingpins** of the television industry.*

linchpin

A pin passed through the end of an axle to keep a wheel in position.

*He is the **linchpin** of this firm.*

lynchpin

A central cohesive source of support and stability.

main source of security

Any very large body of (salt) water.

main source of stability

Any very large body of (salt) water.

mainstay

A prominent supporter.

*Farming is the **mainstay** of the rural economy.*

newscaster

A person who reads out broadcast news stories; a newsreader.

nucleus

The positively charged dense center of an atom.

*The **nucleus** of a British film producing industry.*

pivot

The act of turning on or as if on a pivot.

*The golfer went to the driving range to practice his **pivot**.*

prop

A propeller that rotates to push against air.

*Before every scene he ran down his checklist of **props**.*

reporter

A person who reports, especially one employed to report news or conduct interviews for the press or broadcasting media.



Usage Examples of "Anchor" as a noun

- *This idiot in front slammed on his anchors at a crossing.*
- *Faith is his anchor.*
- *An anchor chain.*
- *The European Community is the economic anchor of the New Europe.*
- *The boat, no longer held fast by its anchor, swung wildly.*
- *He signed off after nineteen years as CBS news anchor.*



Anchor as a Verb

Definitions of "Anchor" as a verb

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

- *Present and coordinate (a television or radio programme).*
- *Secure a vessel with an anchor.*
- *Secure firmly in position.*
- *Moor (a ship) to the sea bottom with an anchor.*
- *Provide with a firm basis or foundation.*
- *Fix firmly and stably.*



Synonyms of "Anchor" as a verb (23 Words)

affix	Attach to. <i>Panels to which he affixes copies of fine old prints.</i>
announce	Announce publicly or officially. <i>The President's office announced that the siege would be lifted.</i>
attach	Become attached. <i>The Commission can attach appropriate conditions to the operation of the agreement.</i>
be at anchor	To remain unmolested, undisturbed, or uninterrupted — used only in infinitive form.
berth	Provide with a berth. <i>The ship berthed at Plymouth.</i>
bind	Provide with a binding. <i>We have many ties that bind us historical cultural and economical.</i>
cast anchor	Throw forcefully.

connect	Connect fasten or put together two or more pieces. <i>The batter connected for a home run.</i>
drop anchor	Leave or unload.
embed	Place (a phrase or clause) within another clause or sentence. <i>The Victorian values embedded in Tennyson s poetry.</i>
fasten	Become fixed or fastened. <i>Her chestnut hair was fastened in a knot.</i>
fix	Decide upon or fix definitely. <i>The rent will be fixed at 300 a month.</i>
ground	Of a batter be put out by hitting a ball on the ground to a fielder who throws it to or touches first base before the batter touches that base. <i>Rather than be blown up Muller grounded his ship on a coral reef.</i>
harbour	Of a ship or its crew moor in a harbour. <i>The water can become stagnant harbouring bacteria and other microorganisms.</i>
host	Act as host at an event or for a television or radio programme. <i>Canada was asked to host a Commonwealth conference in Ottawa.</i>
implant	Provide someone or something with something by implantation. <i>This idea was implanted in my mind by a coincidence.</i>
introduce	Put or introduce into something. <i>Introduce exotic fruits.</i>
lodge	Be a lodger stay temporarily. <i>Lodge a bullet in the table.</i>
make fast	Eliminate urine.
moor	Secure in or as if in a berth or dock. <i>Moor the boat.</i>
secure	Fill or close tightly with or as if with a plug. <i>The division secured a major contract.</i>
stick	Come or be in close contact with stick or hold together and resist separation. <i>Stick the corner of the sheet under the mattress.</i>
tie up	Perform a marriage ceremony.



Usage Examples of "Anchor" as a verb

- *The tail is used as a hook with which the fish anchors itself to coral.*
- *She anchored a television documentary series in the early 1980s.*
- *We anchored at Baltimore.*
- *It is important that policy be anchored to some acceptable theoretical basis.*
- *The ship was anchored in the lee of the island.*
- *We anchored in the harbour.*
- *Anchor the lamppost in concrete.*



Associations of "Anchor" (30 Words)

assembler A person who assembles a machine or its parts.

backbone The part of a book's cover that encloses the inner side of the book's pages and that faces outward when the book is shelved.
*Prickles of sweat broke out along her **backbone**.*

<u>bind</u>	Of a quantifier be applied to a given variable so that the variable falls within its scope For example in an expression of the form For every x if x is a dog x is an animal the universal quantifier is binding the variable x. <i>We have many ties that bind us historical cultural and economical.</i>
buckle	Fasten with a buckle or buckles. <i>He buckled his belt.</i>
<u>corrective</u>	A device for treating injury or disease. <i>Management were informed so that corrective action could be taken.</i>
embed	Incorporate (a video or other item of data) within the body of a web page or other document. <i>The CNN correspondent is now embedded with the US Navy aboard the USS Constellation.</i>
emend	Make improvements or corrections to. <i>These studies show him collating manuscripts and emending texts.</i>
entrench	Establish (an attitude, habit, or belief) so firmly that change is very difficult or unlikely. <i>This matter entrenches on other domains.</i>
established	Brought about or set up or accepted especially long established. <i>The established social order.</i>
fasten	Become fixed or fastened. <i>They fastened various nicknames to each other.</i>
fix	Decide upon or fix definitely. <i>Making everything easier for the car driver would only be a short term fix.</i>
fixed	Fixed and unmoving Connor Cruise O'Brien. <i>How s the club fixed for money now.</i>
immobility	The state of not moving; motionlessness. <i>People with frostbite can experience pain or immobility.</i>
keystone	A central stone at the summit of an arch, locking the whole together. <i>Cooperation remains the keystone of the government s security policy.</i>
<u>mechanic</u>	Resembling the action of a machine- Emily Dickenson. <i>From blank to blank a threadless way I pushed mechanic feet.</i>
meliorate	Get better.
mend	Add fuel to (a fire). <i>Her stockings had several mends.</i>
<u>overhaul</u>	Overtake (someone), especially in a sporting event. <i>You should overhaul your car engine.</i>

<u>patch</u>	Provide with a patch also used metaphorically. <i>Lean to's patched together from aluminium siding and planks.</i>
refit	Replace or repair machinery, equipment, and fittings in (a ship, building, etc). <i>A lucrative contract to refit a submarine fleet.</i>
remedial	Giving or intended as a remedy or cure. <i>Remedial education.</i>
revise	Revise or reorganize especially for the purpose of updating and improving. <i>The agency revised its procedures in as a result of the fire.</i>
rivet	Fasten with a rivet or rivets. <i>A device for punching rivet holes.</i>
<u>sand</u>	Rub with sandpaper. <i>Sandpaper the wooden surface.</i>
seal	Affix a seal to. <i>The warrant bore the sheriff's seal.</i>
<u>ship</u>	Of a sailor take service on a ship. <i>Jack you shipped with the Admiral once didn't you.</i>
solidly	In a firm or secure manner. <i>Books were packed solidly on to the shelves.</i>
tighten	Make tight or tighter. <i>His arms tightened around her.</i>
truss	Support a roof bridge or other structure with a truss or trusses. <i>Roof trusses.</i>
welder	A person who welds metal. <i>He worked as a welder in a steel factory.</i>

