

Need another word that means the same as “aspire”? Find 33 synonyms and 30 related words for “aspire” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Aspire” are: aim, draw a bead on, shoot for, desire, desire to, aim for, aim to, hope for, hope to, long for, long to, yearn for, yearn to, hanker after, hanker for, hanker to, set one's heart on, wish for, wish to, want, want to, expect, expect to, have the objective of, dream of, hunger for, hunger to, seek, seek to, pursue, have as one's aim, have as one's goal, set one's sights on**

## Aspire as a Verb

### Definitions of "Aspire" as a verb

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

- *Have an ambitious plan or a lofty goal.*
- *Direct one's hopes or ambitions towards achieving something.*
- *Rise high; tower.*



## Synonyms of "Aspire" as a verb (33 Words)

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| <a href="#"><u>aim</u></a>    | Point or cause to go (blows, weapons, or objects such as photographic equipment) towards.<br><i>I <b>aim</b> to arrive at noon.</i> |
| <b>aim for</b>                | Propose or intend.  |
| <b>aim to</b>                 | Move into a desired direction of discourse.   |
| <b>desire</b>                 | Express a desire for.<br><i>He never achieved the status he so <b>desired</b>.</i>  |
| <b>desire to</b>              | Feel or have a desire for; want strongly.   |
| <b>draw a bead on</b>         | Take in, also metaphorically.   |
| <b>dream of</b>               | Have a daydream; indulge in a fantasy.  |
| <a href="#"><u>expect</u></a> | Consider obligatory request and expect.<br><i>We <b>expect</b> great things of you.</i>   |
| <b>expect to</b>              | Be pregnant with.   |
| <b>hanker after</b>           | Desire strongly or persistently.  |
| <b>hanker for</b>             | Desire strongly or persistently.  |
| <b>hanker to</b>              | Desire strongly or persistently.  |

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| <b>have as one's aim</b>     | Achieve a point or goal.   |
| <b>have as one's goal</b>    | Have left.   |
| <b>have the objective of</b> | Suffer from; be ill with.  |
| <b>hope for</b>              | Intend with some possibility of fulfilment.  |
| <b>hope to</b>               | Be optimistic; be full of hope; have hopes.  |
| <b>hunger for</b>            | Feel the need to eat.  |
| <b>hunger to</b>             | Have a craving, appetite, or great desire for.   |
| <b>long for</b>              | Desire strongly or persistently.   |
| <b>long to</b>               | Desire strongly or persistently.   |
| <b><u>pursue</u></b>         | Continue or proceed along (a path or route).<br><i>Andrew was determined to <b>pursue</b> a computer career.</i>             |
| <b>seek</b>                  | Inquire for.<br><b>Seek</b> an education.  |
| <b>seek to</b>               | Make an effort or attempt.   |
| <b>set one's heart on</b>    | Put into a position that will restore a normal state.  |
| <b>set one's sights on</b>   | Set in type.   |
| <b>shoot for</b>             | Throw or propel in a specific direction or towards a specific objective.   |
| <b>want</b>                  | Hunt or look for want for a particular reason.<br><i>He is <b>wanted</b> by the police in connection with an arms theft.</i> |
| <b>want to</b>               | Feel or have a desire for; want strongly.  |
| <b>wish for</b>              | Order politely express a wish for.   |
| <b>wish to</b>               | Prefer or wish to do something.  |
| <b>yearn for</b>             | Have affection for; feel tenderness for.   |
| <b>yearn to</b>              | Desire strongly or persistently.   |



## Usage Examples of "Aspire" as a verb

- *Above the domes of loftiest mosques these pinnacles aspire.*
- *Other people will aspire to be like you.*
- *We never thought that we might aspire to those heights.*





## Associations of "Aspire" (30 Words)

- ambition** Have as one's ambition.  
*Her **ambition** was to become a pilot.*
- aspiration** The action of pronouncing a sound with an exhalation of breath.  
*The yawning gulf between **aspiration** and reality.*
- beg** Acquire food or money from someone by begging.  
*He **begged** their forgiveness.*
- bygone** A thing dating from an earlier time.  
*Relics of a **bygone** age.*
- covet** Yearn to possess (something, especially something belonging to another).  
*She **covets** her sister's house.*
- covetous** Having or showing a great desire to possess something belonging to someone else.  
*Jealous of his success and **covetous** of his possessions.*

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| <b><u>crave</u></b>       | Ask for.<br><i>I must <b>crave</b> your indulgence.</i>  |
| <b><u>craving</u></b>     | A powerful desire for something.<br><i>A <b>craving</b> for chocolate.</i>   |
| <b>desideratum</b>        | Something desired as a necessity.<br><i>Integrity was a <b>desideratum</b>.</i>  |
| <b>desire</b>             | Express a desire for.<br><i>There had been a time years ago when he had <b>desired</b> her.</i>  |
| <b><u>desperation</u></b> | A state of despair, typically one which results in rash or extreme behaviour.<br><i>Courage born of <b>desperation</b>.</i>                        |
| <b><u>eagerly</u></b>     | With eagerness; in an eager manner.<br><i>Fans of the show are <b>eagerly</b> awaiting the new season.</i>   |
| <b><u>envious</u></b>     | Feeling or showing envy.<br><i>An <b>envious</b> glance.</i>   |
| <b>hanker</b>             | Desire strongly or persistently.<br><i>She <b>hankered</b> to go back.</i>   |
| <b>hankering</b>          | A strong desire to have or do something.<br><i>A <b>hankering</b> for family life.</i>   |
| <b>homesick</b>           | Experiencing a longing for one's home during a period of absence from it.<br><i>He was <b>homesick</b> for America after five weeks in Europe.</i> |
| <b>homesickness</b>       | A longing to return home.<br><i>I lived four years in London without a single pang of <b>homesickness</b>.</i>                                     |
| <b><u>insatiable</u></b>  | Of a person having an insatiable appetite or desire for something especially sex.<br><i>An <b>insatiable</b> hunger for success.</i>               |
| <b><u>jealous</u></b>     | Showing extreme cupidity; painfully desirous of another's advantages.<br><i>She was always <b>jealous</b> of me.</i>                               |
| <b><u>long</u></b>        | Of elongated shape.<br><i>A <b>long</b> position in gold.</i>  |
| <b><u>longing</u></b>     | A yearning desire.<br><i>Miranda felt a wistful <b>longing</b> for the old days.</i>   |
| <b><u>nostalgia</u></b>   | Something done or presented in order to evoke feelings of nostalgia.<br><i>An evening of TV <b>nostalgia</b>.</i>                                  |
| <b><u>starve</u></b>      | Die of food deprivation.<br><i>The political prisoners <b>starved</b> to death.</i>  |



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| <b>thirst</b>              | Have a strong desire for something.<br><i>His <b>thirst</b> for knowledge was mainly academic.</i>   |
| <b><u>unquenchable</u></b> | Not able to be quenched.<br><i>His enthusiasm was <b>unquenchable</b>.</i>   |
| <b><u>unrequited</u></b>   | Not returned in kind.<br><i><b>Unrequited</b> unanswered love.</i>   |
| <b>want</b>                | Feel or have a desire for want strongly.<br><i>She <b>wanted</b> me to leave.</i>  |
| <b>weariness</b>           | Reluctance to see or experience any more of something.<br><i>He began to feel <b>weariness</b>.</i>  |
| <b><u>yearn</u></b>        | Have an intense feeling of longing for something, typically something that one has lost or been separated from.<br><i>No fellow spirit <b>yearned</b> towards her.</i> |
| <b>yearning</b>            | Involving or expressing yearning.<br><i>A <b>yearning</b> hope.</i>  |

