

Need another word that means the same as “ballast”? Find 12 synonyms and 30 related words for “ballast” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Ballast” are: ballast resistor, barretter, light ballast, counterbalance, equipoise, counterweight, stabilizer, compensation, recompense, makeweight, counterpoise, balance**

## Ballast as a Noun

### Definitions of "Ballast" as a noun

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

- *A resistor inserted into a circuit to compensate for changes (as those arising from temperature fluctuations).*
- *Coarse gravel laid to form a bed for streets and railroads.*
- *Any heavy material used to stabilize a ship or airship.*
- *A passive component used in an electric circuit to moderate changes in current.*
- *Heavy material, such as gravel, sand, or iron, placed in the bilge of a ship to ensure its stability.*
- *An attribute that tends to give stability in character and morals; something that steadies the mind or feelings.*
- *Gravel or coarse stone used to form the bed of a railway track or the substratum of a road.*
- *A heavy substance carried in an airship or on a hot-air balloon to stabilize it and jettisoned when greater altitude is required.*
- *Something providing stability or substance.*
- *A mixture of coarse and fine aggregate for making concrete.*

- *An electrical device for starting and regulating fluorescent and discharge lamps.*



### Synonyms of "Ballast" as a noun (12 Words)

<b>balance</b>	A weight that balances another weight. <i>He accumulated a healthy <b>balance</b> with the savings bank.</i>
<b>ballast resistor</b>	An electrical device for starting and regulating fluorescent and discharge lamps.
<b>barretter</b>	A resistor inserted into a circuit to compensate for changes (as those arising from temperature fluctuations).
<b>compensation</b>	The action or process of awarding compensation. <i>The <b>compensation</b> of victims.</i>
<b><u>counterbalance</u></b>	A weight that balances another weight. <i>The trolley used a <b>counterbalance</b> and leverage action to reduce the effort of lifting loads.</i>

<b>counterpoise</b>	A state of equilibrium. <i>The organization sees the power of Brussels as a <b>counterpoise</b> to that of London.</i>
<b>counterweight</b>	A weight that balances another weight. <i>Conservatives saw the family as a <b>counterweight</b> to the power of the state.</i>
<b>equipoise</b>	Balance of forces or interests. <i>This temporary <b>equipoise</b> of power.</i>
<b>light ballast</b>	The visual effect of illumination on objects or scenes as created in pictures.
<b>makeweight</b>	Something put on a scale to make up the required weight. <i>Some of the items in the collection are mere <b>makeweights</b>.</i>
<b>recompense</b>	Restitution made or punishment inflicted for a wrong or injury. <i>Adequate <b>recompense</b> for workers who lose their jobs.</i>
<b>stabilizer</b>	A gyroscopic device used to reduce the rolling of a ship. <i>The role of taxes and public spending as automatic <b>stabilizers</b> in modern economies.</i>



## Usage Examples of "Ballast" as a noun

- *Ballasts are permanently wired into existing fixtures.*
- *The film is an entertaining comedy with some serious ideas thrown in for ballast.*

- *The hull had insufficient ballast.*
- *A thick layer of railway ballast.*
- *Ballast resistors.*
- *A forty kilo sandbag was used as ballast.*



## Associations of "Ballast" (30 Words)

<b>artillery</b>	An army unit that uses big guns. <i>Tanks and heavy <b>artillery</b>.</i>
<b>battalion</b>	A large organized group of people pursuing a common aim. <i>A <b>battalion</b> of ants.</i>
<b>bivalve</b>	Having two valves.
<b>bombardier</b>	A member of a bomber crew in the US air force responsible for aiming and releasing bombs.
<b><u>bucket</u></b>	Carry in a bucket. <i>The car came <b>bucketing</b> out of a side road.</i>

<b>bulkhead</b>	A dividing wall or barrier between separate compartments inside a ship, aircraft, or other vehicle.
<b>capacity</b>	The amount that can be contained. <i>He should be retained in his present <b>capacity</b> at a higher salary.</i>
<b>carapace</b>	Hard outer covering or case of certain organisms such as arthropods and turtles. <i>I don t blame him for building a <b>carapace</b> around his true self.</i>
<b>casing</b>	A cover or shell that protects or encloses something. <i>A waterproof <b>casing</b>.</i>
<b>clam</b>	Dig for or collect clams. <i>The beaches are ideal for beachcombing <b>clamming</b> and observing wildlife.</i>
<b>compartment</b>	An area in which something can be considered in isolation from other things. <i>The buildings are to be <b>compartmented</b> by fire walls.</i>
<b>cuticle</b>	Hard outer covering or case of certain organisms such as arthropods and turtles. <i>The <b>cuticle</b> is the hair s protective shield.</i>
<b>deck</b>	A porch that resembles the deck on a ship. <i>He stood on the <b>deck</b> of his flagship.</i>
<b>dock</b>	A device in which a laptop smartphone or other mobile device may be placed for charging providing access to a power supply and to peripheral devices or auxiliary features a docking station. <i>The tanker was coming into <b>dock</b>.</i>
<b>gallon</b>	A large volume of something. <i><b>Gallons</b> of fake blood.</i>
<b>gunner</b>	(in the British army) an artillery soldier (used especially as an official term for a private).
<b>hull</b>	Remove the hulls from. <i>The ship was being <b>hulled</b> and all would die.</i>
<b>husk</b>	Remove the husks from. <i><b>Husk</b> corn.</i>
<b>missile</b>	A weapon that is forcibly thrown or projected at a targets but is not self-propelled. <i>The USAF approach uses small <b>missiles</b> fired from conventional fighter aircraft.</i>
<b>outermost</b>	Situated at the farthest possible point from a center. <i>The <b>outermost</b> layer of the earth.</i>

<b>oyster</b>	Gather oysters dig oysters. <i>As a kid he crabbed and <b>oystered</b> for fun.</i>
<b>pail</b>	The quantity contained in a pail.
<b>peel</b>	(of a fruit or vegetable) have a skin that can be removed. <i>With a small knife <b>peel</b> the skin from the ginger.</i>
<b>quart</b>	A United States liquid unit equal to 32 fluid ounces four quarts equal one gallon. <i>Two <b>quarts</b> of milk.</i>
<b>shell</b>	Bombard with shells. <i>The sound of the <b>shell</b> passing over followed by the explosion.</i>
<b>ship</b>	Of a sailor take service on a ship. <i>Jack you <b>shipped</b> with the Admiral once didn't you.</i>
<b>shrimp</b>	Fish for shrimp. <i>Some families still go <b>shrimping</b> off the coast at Lytham.</i>
<b>tank</b>	Fill the tank of a vehicle with fuel. <i>They get <b>tanked</b> up before the game.</i>
<b>underwater</b>	Situated, occurring, or done beneath the surface of water. <i>They learn to navigate <b>underwater</b> at night.</i>
<b>volume</b>	A book forming part of a work or series. <i>The kids played their music at full <b>volume</b>.</i>

