

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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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)

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

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

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

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

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

