Need another word that means the same as “base”? Find 84 synonyms and 30 related words for “base” in this overview.

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Base as a Noun

Definitions of "Base" as a noun

According to the Oxford Dictionary of English, “base” as a noun can have the following definitions:

- *A terrorist network intensely opposed to the United States that dispenses money and logistical support and training to a wide variety of radical Islamic terrorist groups; has cells in more than 50 countries.*
- *The lowest part of a shield.*
- *The fundamental assumptions from which something is begun or developed or calculated or explained.*
- *A substance used as a foundation for make-up.*
- *A foundation or starting point for further work.*
- *Any of various water-soluble compounds capable of turning litmus blue and reacting with an acid to form a salt and water.*
- *A substance capable of reacting with an acid to form a salt and water, or (more broadly) of accepting or neutralizing hydrogen ions.*
- *A conceptual structure or entity on which something draws or depends.*
- *Lowest support of a structure.*
- *A phosphoric ester of a nucleoside; the basic structural unit of nucleic acids (DNA or RNA.*
- *(anatomy) the part of an organ nearest its point of attachment.*
- *(linguistics) the form of a word after all affixes are removed.*
- *The most important or necessary part of something.*
- *A number in terms of which other numbers are expressed as logarithms.*
- *A place used as a centre of operations by the armed forces or others; a headquarters.*
- *A substance into which a pigment is mixed to form paint, such as water, oil, or powdered aluminium hydroxide.*
- *The middle part of a bipolar transistor, separating the emitter from the collector.*
- *(numeration system) the positive integer that is equivalent to one in the next higher counting place.*
- *A support or foundation.*
- *The part of a transistor that separates the emitter from the collector.*
- *The root or stem of a word or a derivative.*
- *The principal ingredient of a mixture.*
- *A number used as the basis of a numeration scale.*
- *A known line used as a geometrical base for trigonometry.*
- *The bottom side of a geometric figure from which the altitude can be constructed.*
- *The part of a column between the shaft and pedestal or pavement.*
- *A line or surface on which a figure is regarded as standing.*
- *The positive integer that is equivalent to one in the next higher counting place.*
- *Each of the four stations that must be reached in turn to score a run.*
- *The end at which a part or organ is attached to the trunk or main part.*

- *The uninflected form of a verb.*
- *(electronics) the part of a transistor that separates the emitter from the collector.*
- *A main or important element or ingredient to which other things are added.*
- *A group of people regarded as supporting an organization, for example by buying its products.*
- *The lowest part or edge of something, especially the part on which it rests or is supported.*
- *The bottom or lowest part.*
- *The place where you are stationed and from which missions start and end.*
- *The part of an organ nearest its point of attachment.*
- *The form of a word after all affixes are removed.*
- *The stock of basic facilities and capital equipment needed for the functioning of a country or area.*
- *A place that the runner must touch before scoring.*
- *Installation from which a military force initiates operations.*
- *A purine or pyrimidine group in a nucleotide or nucleic acid.*
- *The main place where a person works or stays.*
- *A lower limit.*
- *A flat bottom on which something is intended to sit.*

Synonyms of "Base" as a noun (59 Words)

al-qa'ida	A terrorist network intensely opposed to the United States that dispenses money and logistical support and training to a wide variety of radical Islamic terrorist groups; has cells in more than 50 countries.
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alkali	A compound with particular chemical properties including turning litmus blue and neutralizing or effervescing with acids; typically, a caustic or corrosive substance of this kind such as lime or soda. *Flint is not subject to chemical weathering except by strong **alkali**s.*
backbone	Strength of character. *Prickles of sweat broke out along her **backbone**.*

bag	A woman s handbag. *A pair of flannel **bag**s.*
base of operations	The fundamental assumptions from which something is begun or developed or calculated or explained.
basics	A necessary commodity for which demand is constant. *Let s get down to **basics**.*
basis	The system or principles according to which an activity or process is carried on. *On the **basis** of these statistics important decisions are made.*
bed	A bed and associated facilities comprising a place for a patient in a hospital. *They found a **bed** of sandstone.*
bedrock	Principles from which other truths can be derived. *Honesty is the **bedrock** of a good relationship.*
bottom	Low-lying alluvial land near a river. *River **bottom**s.*
camp	A group of people living together in a camp. *He became the dramatic counselor at **camp**.*
carrier	An aircraft carrier. *Refrigerated **carrier**s have revolutionized the grocery business.*
centre	A kick, hit, or throw of the ball from the side to the middle of field in soccer, hockey, and other team games. *A new **centre** party.*
core	A small group of indispensable persons or things. *The ball has a titanium **core**.*
cornerstone	A stone in the exterior of a large and important building; usually carved with a date and laid with appropriate ceremonies. *A national minimum wage remained the **cornerstone** of policy.*
essence	The choicest or most essential or most vital part of some idea or experience. *Vanilla **essence**.*
essential	Anything indispensable. *The **essential**s of the good life.*
floor	The occupants of a floor. *The whole **floor** complained about the lack of heat.*
foot	An army unit consisting of soldiers who fight on foot. *He followed on **foot**.*

foundation	Lowest support of a structure. ***Foundation**s were being dug for a block of flats.*
fundament	The fundamental assumptions from which something is begun or developed or calculated or explained.
fundamental	A fundamental note tone or frequency. *Two courses cover the **fundamental**s of microbiology.*
groundwork	Preliminary preparation as a basis or foundation. *The inquiry s findings are expected to lay the **groundwork** for a complete overhaul of the system.*
headquarters	A military unit consisting of a commander and the headquarters staff. *Many companies have their **headquarters** in New York.*
heart	The heart regarded as the centre of a person s thoughts and emotions especially love compassion or loyalty. *He has no **heart**.*
home	A place where something flourishes, is most typically found, or from which it originates. *Low cost **home**s for first time buyers.*
infrastructure	The stock of basic facilities and capital equipment needed for the functioning of a country or area. *The social and economic **infrastructure** of a country.*
key component	United States lawyer and poet who wrote a poem after witnessing the British attack on Baltimore during the War of 1812; the poem was later set to music and entitled `The Star-Spangled Banner' (1779-1843.
medium	A means by which something is communicated or expressed. *Here the Welsh language is the **medium** of instruction.*
nitty-gritty	The choicest or most essential or most vital part of some idea or experience.
nucleotide	A compound consisting of a nucleoside linked to a phosphate group. Nucleotides form the basic structural unit of nucleic acids such as DNA.
pedestal	Each of the two supports of a kneehole desk or table. *They put him on a **pedestal**.*
plinth	A heavy base supporting a statue or vase. *Busts of the King and Queen on marble **plinth**s.*
post	A goalpost. *In England they call mail the **post**.*

principle	Rule of personal conduct. *The **principle** of the conservation of mass.*
prop	A propeller that rotates to push against air. *He looked around for a **prop** to pin the door open.*
qaeda	A terrorist network intensely opposed to the United States that dispenses money and logistical support and training to a wide variety of radical Islamic terrorist groups; has cells in more than 50 countries.
radical	A radical sign. *In the body free **radical**s are high energy particles that ricochet wildly and damage cells.*
radix	A source or origin of something. *Judaism is the **radix** of Christianity.*
rationale	(law) an explanation of the fundamental reasons (especially an explanation of the working of some device in terms of laws of nature. *The **rationale** for capital punishment.*
rest	An instance or period of resting. *A couple of days of complete **rest**.*
root	Any plant grown for its root. *I need to log in as **root** on my system to resolve an issue.*
root word	The set of values that give a true statement when substituted into an equation.
roots	The usually underground organ that lacks buds or leaves or nodes; absorbs water and mineral salts; usually it anchors the plant to the ground. *His music has African **roots**.*
settlement	The property given under a settlement. *The **settlement** of the boundary disputes.*
site	A website. *The **site** of the Battle of Flodden.*
stand	The position where a thing or person stands. *A **stand** of poplars.*
starting point	A turn to be a starter (in a game at the beginning.
station	A bus or coach station. *The lookout resumed his **station** in the bow.*
stay	A period of staying somewhere in particular of living somewhere temporarily as a visitor or guest. *The Supreme Court has the power to **stay** an injunction pending an appeal to the whole Court.*

stem	A slender or elongated structure that supports a plant or fungus or a plant part or plant organ. *Thematic vowels are part of the **stem**.*
substructure	Lowest support of a structure. *Tudor princes had little in the way of a bureaucratic **substructure**.*
support	Supporting structure that holds up or provides a foundation. *A **support** band.*
theme	A prominent or frequently recurring melody or group of notes in a composition. *An Irish **theme** pub.*
theory	A belief that can guide behavior. *They killed him on the **theory** that dead men tell no tales.*
understructure	Lowest support of a structure.
vehicle	Any inanimate object (as a towel or money or clothing or dishes or books or toys etc.) that can transmit infectious agents from one person to another. *The play was just a **vehicle** to display her talents.*

Usage Examples of "Base" as a noun

- *The base of the lamp.*
- *Everything she cooked seemed to have rice as the base.*
- *She uses existing data as the base for the study.*
- *The base of the mountain.*
- *She sat down at the base of a tree.*
- *He told the painter that he wanted a yellow base with just a hint of green.*
- *The industrial base of Japan.*
- *He headed back to base.*
- *The base of the triangle.*
- *A customer base.*
- *The attack wiped out our forward bases.*
- *She makes the studio her base.*
- *It was built on a base of solid rock.*
- *Her make-up artist works with base, eye make-up, and lipstick.*
- *Glycerinated gelatin is used as a base for many ointments.*
- *A shoot is produced at the base of the stem.*
- *Soaps with a vegetable oil base.*
- *The base of the skull.*
- *The town's economic base collapsed.*
- *A tub should sit on its own base.*
- *Your hotel is a good base from which to explore.*
- *Bases include oxides and hydroxides of metals and ammonia.*

Base as a Verb

Definitions of "Base" as a verb

According to the Oxford Dictionary of English, “base” as a verb can have the following definitions:

- *Situate as a center of operations.*
- *Use as a basis for; found on.*
- *Use (something specified) as the foundation or starting point for something.*
- *Situate at a specified place as the centre of operations.*
- *Use (purified cocaine) by burning it and inhaling the fumes.*

Synonyms of "Base" as a verb (18 Words)

build	Build or establish something abstract. ***Build*** *a modern nation.*

construct	Create by linking linguistic units. *These rules tell us how to **construct** a grammatical sentence in a given language.*
deploy	To distribute systematically or strategically. *The U S **deploy**s its weapons in the Middle East.*
establish	Build or establish something abstract. *He had **establish**ed himself as a film star.*
form	Give shape or form to. *A thick mist was **form**ing all around.*
found	Set up or found.
free-base	Use (purified cocaine) by burning it and inhaling the fumes.
garrison	Station troops in a fort or garrison. *Air reconnaissance showed the Germans had not **garrison**ed the island.*
ground	Confine or restrict to the ground. *The study of history must be **ground**ed in a thorough knowledge of the past.*
install	Establish (someone) in a new place or condition. *We re planning to **install** a new shower.*
locate	Discover the location of; determine the place of; find by searching or examining. *The company **locate**d some of their agents in Los Angeles.*
place	Take a place in a competition often followed by an ordinal. *Enemy officers were **place**d under arrest.*
position	Promote (a product, service, or business) within a particular sector of a market, or as the fulfilment of that sector's specific requirements. *A development plan which will **position** the city as a major economic force in the region.*
post	Publicize with or as if with a poster. *A curt notice had been **post**ed on the door.*
root	Take root and begin to grow. ***Root** your own cuttings from stock plants.*
site	Fix or build (something) in a particular place. *The rectory is **site**d behind the church.*
situate	Fix or build (something) in a certain place or position. *It is necessary to **situate** these ideas in the wider context of the class structure.*
station	Assign to a station. *A young girl had **station**ed herself by the door.*

Usage Examples of "Base" as a verb

- *A London-based band.*
- *The film is based on a novel by Pat Conroy.*
- *Entitlement will be based on income.*
- *We will base this project in the new lab.*
- *The Science Policy Review Unit is based at the University of Sussex.*
- *Base a claim on some observation.*

Base as an Adjective

Definitions of "Base" as an adjective

According to the Oxford Dictionary of English, “base” as an adjective can have the following definitions:

- *Illegitimate.*
- *Consisting of or alloyed with inferior metal.*
- *Of low birth or station (`base' is archaic in this sense.*
- *Serving as or forming a base.*
- *Having or showing an ignoble lack of honor or morality- Edmund Burke- Shakespeare.*
- *Having or showing an ignoble lack of honor or morality.*
- *(used of metals) consisting of or alloyed with inferior metal.*
- *Not adhering to ethical or moral principles.*
- *Debased; not genuine.*

Synonyms of "Base" as an adjective (7 Words)

basal	Especially of leaves; located at the base of a plant or stem; especially arising directly from the root or rootstock or a root-like stem. *A **basal** reader.*
baseborn	Of low birth or origin. *His **baseborn** son.*
humble	Having or showing a modest or low estimate of one's importance. *My **humble** apologies.*
immoral	Not adhering to ethical or moral principles. *Unseemly and **immoral** behaviour.*
lowly	Low or inferior in station or quality. *She d been too good for her **lowly** position.*
mean	So small in amount as to deserve contempt. *Something essentially vulgar and **mean**spirited in politics.*

meanspirited Lacking in magnanimity.
*A **meanspirited** man unwilling to forgive.*

Usage Examples of "Base" as an adjective

- *Base coins of aluminum.*
- *An attempt to eliminate the base coinage.*
- *Base and unpatriotic motives.*
- *A base metal.*
- *Baseborn wretches with dirty faces.*
- *The painter applied a base coat followed by two finishing coats.*
- *A base, degrading way of life.*
- *That liberal obedience without which your army would be a base rabble.*

Associations of "Base" (30 Words)

basal	Of primary importance. *The plant grows huge **basal** leaves.*
basic	Having tastes, interests, or attitudes regarded as mainstream or conventional (typically used of a woman. ***Basic** changes in public opinion occur because of changes in priorities.*
basilar	Of or relating to or located at the base. *The **basilar** membrane of the cochlea.*
basis	The fundamental assumptions from which something is begun or developed or calculated or explained. *The whole argument rested on a **basis** of conjecture.*
bottom	Situated at the bottom or lowest position. *He s **bottom**ed on opal there.*

cornerstone	A stone at the outer corner of two intersecting masonry walls. *A national minimum wage remained the **cornerstone** of policy.*
elemental	Forming an essential or typical feature; fundamental. *A thunderstorm is the inevitable outcome of battling **elemental** forces.*
essence	The central meaning or theme of a speech or literary work. *Conflict is the **essence** of drama.*
essential	Defining rights and duties as opposed to giving the rules by which rights and duties are established. *The **essential**s of the good life.*
foundation	Education or instruction in the fundamentals of a field of knowledge. *The **foundation** of a civil service college.*
fundamental	A fundamental note tone or frequency. *The **fundamental** laws of the universe.*
gist	The choicest or most essential or most vital part of some idea or experience. *I decided to spend the night at his place catching up on all the **gist** from the wedding.*
ground	Confine or restrict to the ground. *He dropped the logs on the **ground**.*
groundwork	Lowest support of a structure. *The inquiry s findings are expected to lay the **groundwork** for a complete overhaul of the system.*
hypostasis	The suppression of a gene by the effect of an unrelated gene.
indispensable	Unavoidable. *He made himself **indispensable** to the parish priest.*
must	Highly recommended. *You **must** try some of this fish.*
necessary	Absolutely essential. *The **necessary** consequences of one s actions.*
nether	Lower. ***Nether** garments.*
pedestal	Set or support on a pedestal. *A **pedestal** washbasin.*
primary	Of primary importance. *A **primary** teacher.*
prop	A propeller that rotates to push against air. *He looked around for a **prop** to pin the door open.*

radix	(numeration system) the positive integer that is equivalent to one in the next higher counting place. *Judaism is the **radix** of Christianity.*
root	Any plant grown for its root. *Money is the **root** of all evil.*
rooted	Exhausted; worn out. *The front wheel looks **rooted**.*
stem	Remove the stem from. *Many of the universities problems **stem** from rapid expansion.*
substrate	The substance on which an enzyme acts. *The gardener talked about the proper **substrate** for acid loving plants.*
underlying	Located beneath or below. ***Underlying** principles.*
underside	The lower side of anything. *The sordid **underside** of the glamorous 1980s.*
vital	Fatal. ***Vital** organs.*