

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)

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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 **alkalis**.*
- backbone** Strength of character.
*Prickles of sweat broke out along her **backbone**.*

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

foundation	Lowest support of a structure. <i>Foundations were being dug for a block of flats.</i>
fundament	The fundamental assumptions from which something is begun or developed or calculated or explained.
fundamental	A fundamental note tone or frequency. <i>Two courses cover the fundamentals of microbiology.</i>
groundwork	Preliminary preparation as a basis or foundation. <i>The inquiry's findings are expected to lay the groundwork for a complete overhaul of the system.</i>
headquarters	A military unit consisting of a commander and the headquarters staff. <i>Many companies have their headquarters in New York.</i>
heart	The heart regarded as the centre of a person's thoughts and emotions especially love compassion or loyalty. <i>He has no heart.</i>
home	A place where something flourishes, is most typically found, or from which it originates. <i>Low cost homes for first time buyers.</i>
infrastructure	The stock of basic facilities and capital equipment needed for the functioning of a country or area. <i>The social and economic infrastructure of a country.</i>
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).
<u>medium</u>	A means by which something is communicated or expressed. <i>Here the Welsh language is the medium of instruction.</i>
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. <i>They put him on a pedestal.</i>
plinth	A heavy base supporting a statue or vase. <i>Busts of the King and Queen on marble plinths.</i>
post	A goalpost. <i>In England they call mail the post.</i>

principle	Rule of personal conduct. <i>The principle of the conservation of mass.</i>
prop	A propeller that rotates to push against air. <i>He looked around for a prop to pin the door open.</i>
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. <i>In the body free radicals are high energy particles that ricochet wildly and damage cells.</i>
radix	A source or origin of something. <i>Judaism is the radix of Christianity.</i>
rationale	(law) an explanation of the fundamental reasons (especially an explanation of the working of some device in terms of laws of nature). <i>The rationale for capital punishment.</i>
rest	An instance or period of resting. <i>A couple of days of complete rest.</i>
root	Any plant grown for its root. <i>I need to log in as root on my system to resolve an issue.</i>
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. <i>His music has African roots.</i>
settlement	The property given under a settlement. <i>The settlement of the boundary disputes.</i>
site	A website. <i>The site of the Battle of Flodden.</i>
stand	The position where a thing or person stands. <i>A stand of poplars.</i>
starting point	A turn to be a starter (in a game at the beginning).
station	A bus or coach station. <i>The lookout resumed his station in the bow.</i>
stay	A period of staying somewhere in particular of living somewhere temporarily as a visitor or guest. <i>The Supreme Court has the power to stay an injunction pending an appeal to the whole Court.</i>

<u>stem</u>	A slender or elongated structure that supports a plant or fungus or a plant part or plant organ. <i>Thematic vowels are part of the stem.</i>
substructure	Lowest support of a structure. <i>Tudor princes had little in the way of a bureaucratic substructure.</i>
support	Supporting structure that holds up or provides a foundation. <i>A support band.</i>
theme	A prominent or frequently recurring melody or group of notes in a composition. <i>An Irish theme pub.</i>
<u>theory</u>	A belief that can guide behavior. <i>They killed him on the theory that dead men tell no tales.</i>
understructure	Lowest support of a structure.
<u>vehicle</u>	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. <i>The play was just a vehicle to display her talents.</i>



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.*

Create by linking linguistic units.

construct *These rules tell us how to **construct** a grammatical sentence in a given language.*

deploy To distribute systematically or strategically.
*The U S **deploys** its weapons in the Middle East.*

establish Build or establish something abstract.
*He had **established** himself as a film star.*

form Give shape or form to.
*A thick mist was **forming** 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 **garrisoned** the island.*

ground Confine or restrict to the ground.
*The study of history must be **grounded** 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 **located** some of their agents in Los Angeles.*

place Take a place in a competition often followed by an ordinal.
*Enemy officers were **placed** 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 **posted** 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 **sited** 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 **stationed** 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. <i>A basal reader.</i>
baseborn	Of low birth or origin. <i>His baseborn son.</i>
humble	Having or showing a modest or low estimate of one's importance. <i>My humble apologies.</i>
immoral	Not adhering to ethical or moral principles. <i>Unseemly and immoral behaviour.</i>
lowly	Low or inferior in station or quality. <i>She'd been too good for her lowly position.</i>
mean	So small in amount as to deserve contempt. <i>Something essentially vulgar and meanspirited in politics.</i>

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 **bottomed** on opal there.*

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

- 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.*

