

Need another word that means the same as “benchmark”? Find 27 synonyms and 30 related words for “benchmark” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Benchmark” are: bench mark, standard, point of reference, basis, gauge, criterion, specification, canon, convention, guide, guideline, norm, touchstone, yardstick, test, litmus test, barometer, indicator, measure, model, exemplar, classic example, pattern, paradigm, archetype, prototype, ideal**

## Benchmark as a Noun

### Definitions of "Benchmark" as a noun

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

- *A test designed to evaluate or compare the performance of computer hardware or software.*
- *A surveyor's mark on a permanent object of predetermined position and elevation used as a reference point.*
- *A surveyor's mark cut in a wall, pillar, or building and used as a reference point in measuring altitudes.*
- *A standard by which something can be measured or judged.*
- *A standard or point of reference against which things may be compared.*



## Synonyms of "Benchmark" as a noun (27 Words)

### archetype

Something that serves as a model or a basis for making copies.  
*Mythological **archetypes** of good and evil.*

### **barometer**

An instrument measuring atmospheric pressure, used especially in forecasting the weather and determining altitude.  
*Furniture is a **barometer** of changing tastes.*

### basis

The fundamental assumptions from which something is begun or developed or calculated or explained.  
*The whole argument rested on a **basis** of conjecture.*

### **bench mark**

The seat for judges in a courtroom.

### **canon**

A collection of books accepted as holy scripture especially the books of the Bible recognized by any Christian church as genuine and inspired.  
*The Shakespeare **canon**.*

### **classic example**

An artist who has created classic works.

### convention

Orthodoxy as a consequence of being conventional.  
*To attract the best patrons the movie houses had to ape the **conventions** and the standards of theatres.*

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| <b>criterion</b>          | A principle or standard by which something may be judged or decided.<br><i>They award a green label to products that meet certain environmental criteria.</i>   |
| <b><u>exemplar</u></b>    | A person or thing serving as a typical example or appropriate model.<br><i>The place is an <b>exemplar</b> of multicultural Britain.</i>  |
| <b><u>gauge</u></b>       | Diameter of a tube or gun barrel.<br><i>A fuel <b>gauge</b>.</i>  |
| <b>guide</b>              | Something that offers basic information or instruction.<br><i>A comprehensive <b>guide</b> to British hotels and restaurants.</i>   |
| <b>guideline</b>          | A rule or principle that provides guidance to appropriate behavior.<br><i>The organization has issued <b>guidelines</b> for people working with prisoners.</i>  |
| <b>ideal</b>              | Model of excellence or perfection of a kind; one having no equal.<br><i>Tolerance and freedom the liberal <b>ideals</b>.</i>  |
| <b>indicator</b>          | An animal or plant species that can be used to infer conditions in a particular habitat.<br><i>An altitude <b>indicator</b>.</i>  |
| <b>litmus test</b>        | A set of questions or exercises evaluating skill or knowledge.  |
| <b>measure</b>            | Measuring instrument having a sequence of marks at regular intervals used as a reference in making measurements.<br><i>Cost cutting <b>measures</b>.</i>  |
| <b>model</b>              | A person employed to pose for an artist, photographer, or sculptor.<br><i>The project became a <b>model</b> for other schemes.</i>  |
| <b>norm</b>               | A statistic describing the location of a distribution.<br><i>Strikes were the <b>norm</b>.</i>  |
| <b><u>paradigm</u></b>    | The class of all items that can be substituted into the same position or slot in a grammatical sentence are in paradigmatic relation with one another.<br><i>The discovery of universal gravitation became the <b>paradigm</b> of successful science.</i> |
| <b>pattern</b>            | A repeated decorative design.<br><i>He set the <b>pattern</b> for subsequent study.</i>   |
| <b>point of reference</b> | A V shape.  |
| <b>prototype</b>          | A first or preliminary version of a device or vehicle from which other forms are developed.<br><i>These objects are the <b>prototypes</b> of a category of rapidly spinning neutron stars.</i>  |

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| <b>specification</b> | (patent law) a document drawn up by the applicant for a patent of invention that provides an explicit and detailed description of the nature and use of an invention.<br><i>One of the telescope's mirrors had been manufactured to incorrect <b>specifications</b>.</i> |
| <b>standard</b>      | Any distinctive flag.<br><i>Distance was marked by <b>standards</b> every mile.</i>  |
| <b>test</b>          | The act of testing something.<br><i>This is the first serious <b>test</b> of the peace agreement.</i>  |
| <b>touchstone</b>    | A piece of fine-grained dark schist or jasper formerly used for testing alloys of gold by observing the colour of the mark which they made on it.<br><i>They tend to regard grammar as the <b>touchstone</b> of all language performance.</i>                            |
| <b>yardstick</b>     | A measuring rod a yard long, typically divided into inches.<br><i>League tables are not the only <b>yardstick</b> of schools performance.</i>  |



## Usage Examples of "Benchmark" as a noun

- *The pay settlement will set a benchmark for other employers and workers.*
- *We thought we'd run some benchmarks on the smartphone.*
- *His painting sets the benchmark of quality.*

## Associations of "Benchmark" (30 Words)

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| <b>ammeter</b>              | A meter that measures the flow of electrical current in amperes.   |
| <b>amount</b>               | Be tantamount or equivalent to.<br><i>An adequate <b>amount</b> of food for four people.</i>   |
| <b><u>calculate</u></b>     | Intend (an action) to have a particular effect.<br><i>The program can <b>calculate</b> the number of words that will fit in the space available.</i>   |
| <b><u>calibrate</u></b>     | Measure the caliber of.<br><i>The regulators cannot properly <b>calibrate</b> the risks involved.</i>  |
| <b>calorimeter</b>          | An apparatus for measuring the amount of heat involved in a chemical reaction or other process.  |
| <b><u>comparatively</u></b> | To a moderate degree as compared to something else; relatively.<br><i>Inflation was <b>comparatively</b> low.</i>  |
| <b><u>count</u></b>         | The total number counted.<br><i>I can <b>count</b> my colleagues in the opposition.</i>  |
| <b>estimate</b>             | Judge tentatively or form an estimate of quantities or time.<br><i>The aim is to <b>estimate</b> the effects of macroeconomic policy on the economy.</i>   |
| <b>gage</b>                 | A measuring instrument for measuring and indicating a quantity such as the thickness of wire or the amount of rain etc.<br><i>A guide sent to them by the headman of this place <b>gaged</b> his life as a forfeit if he failed.</i>   |
| <b><u>gauge</u></b>         | Measure the dimensions of an object with a gauge.<br><i>When dry the assemblies can be <b>gauged</b> exactly and planed to width.</i>  |
| <b><u>index</u></b>         | Link the value of prices wages or other payments automatically to the value of a price index.<br><i>The government <b>indexes</b> wages and prices.</i>  |
| <b>indicator</b>            | An animal or plant species that can be used to infer conditions in a particular habitat.<br><i>An altitude <b>indicator</b>.</i>   |
| <b><u>magnitude</u></b>     | A number assigned to the ratio of two quantities two quantities are of the same order of magnitude if one is less than 10 times as large as the other the number of magnitudes that the quantities differ is specified to within a power of 10.<br><i>They may feel discouraged at the <b>magnitude</b> of the task before them.</i> |

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| <b>measurable</b>   | Something that can be quantified, especially a sports player's height and weight.<br><i>Objectives should be <b>measurable</b> and achievable.</i>   |
| <b>measure</b>      | Express as a number or measure or quantity.<br><i>This table surfaces <b>measures</b> 20 inches by 36 inches.</i>  |
| <b>measurement</b>  | The action of measuring something.<br><i>The <b>measurements</b> were carefully done.</i>  |
| <b>metric</b>       | A decimal unit of measurement of the metric system based on meters and kilograms and seconds.<br><i>The external structure of space time is described by the Schwarzschild <b>metric</b>.</i>  |
| <b>micrometer</b>   | Caliper for measuring small distances.   |
| <b>number</b>       | A symbol used to represent a number.<br><i>They go from one melodious <b>number</b> to another.</i>  |
| <b>plumb</b>        | Conforming to the direction of a plumb line.<br><i>They are valuable aids in <b>plumbing</b> the frames and keeping the side of the ship fair.</i>   |
| <b>pricing</b>      | The evaluation of something in terms of its price.   |
| <b>quantifiable</b> | Capable of being quantified.<br><i><b>Quantifiable</b> data.</i>   |
| <b>quantify</b>     | Express as a number or measure or quantity.<br><i>Can you <b>quantify</b> your results.</i>  |
| <b>surveying</b>    | The profession or work of examining and recording the area and features of a piece of land so as to construct a map, plan, or detailed description of it.<br><i>Many estate agents have no expertise in property <b>surveying</b>.</i> |
| <b>tachometer</b>   | An instrument which measures the working speed of an engine (especially in a road vehicle), typically in revolutions per minute.   |
| <b>tantamount</b>   | Being essentially equal to something.<br><i>His statement was <b>tantamount</b> to an admission of guilt.</i>  |
| <b>touchstone</b>   | A standard or criterion by which something is judged or recognized.<br><i>They tend to regard grammar as the <b>touchstone</b> of all language performance.</i>  |
| <b>voltmeter</b>    | Meter that measures the potential difference between two points.   |
| <b>weathercock</b>  | (of a boat or aircraft) tend to turn to head into the wind.<br><i>He sometimes has a problem with the boat <b>weathercocking</b> before she can gather way on a new tack.</i>  |

**yardstick**

A standard used for comparison.

*League tables are not the only **yardstick** of schools performance.*