

Need another word that means the same as “beset”? Find 36 synonyms and 30 related words for “beset” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Beset” are: encrust, incrust, set upon, chevy, chevy, chivvy, chivy, harass, harry, hassle, molest, plague, provoke, bedevil, attack, assail, beleaguer, afflict, torment, torture, rack, oppress, trouble, worry, bother, hound, dog, surround, besiege, hem in, shut in, fence in, box in, encircle, ring round, enclose**

## Beset as a Verb

### Definitions of "Beset" as a verb

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

- *Be covered or studded with.*
- *Annoy continually or chronically.*
- *Assail or attack on all sides.*
- *Hem in.*
- *(of a problem or difficulty) trouble (someone or something) persistently.*
- *Surround and harass.*
- *Decorate or cover lavishly (as with gems).*



## Synonyms of "Beset" as a verb (36 Words)

### afflict

(of a celestial body) be in a stressful aspect with (another celestial body or a point on the ecliptic.

*Jupiter is **afflicted** by Mars in opposition.*

### assail

Attack someone physically or emotionally.

*She was **assailed** by doubts and regrets.*

<b>attack</b>	Attack in speech or writing. <i>The Serbs <b>attacked</b> the village at night.</i>
<b>bedevil</b>	Treat cruelly. <i>Projects like this are <b>bedevilled</b> by a shortage of cash.</i>
<b>beleaguer</b>	Surround so as to force to give up. <i>He attempts to answer several questions that <b>beleaguer</b> the industry.</i>
<b><u>besiege</u></b>	Cause to feel distressed or worried. <i>The Turks <b>besieged</b> Vienna.</i>
<b>bother</b>	Cause annoyance in; disturb, especially by minor irritations. <i>He wasn't to <b>bother</b> himself with day to day things.</i>
<b>box in</b>	Hit with the fist.
<b>chevy</b>	Annoy continually or chronically.
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<b>chivvy</b>	Annoy continually or chronically. <i>An association which <b>chivvies</b> government into action.</i>
<b>chivy</b>	Annoy continually or chronically.
<b>dog</b>	Grip (something) with a mechanical device. <i>Photographers seemed to <b>dog</b> her every step.</i>
<b>encircle</b>	Form a circle around; surround. <i>The town is <b>encircled</b> by fortified walls.</i>
<b>enclose</b>	Enclose or enfold completely with or as if with a covering. <i>The open fields in the parish were <b>enclosed</b> in 1808.</i>
<b>encrust</b>	Cover or coat with a crust. <i>The mussels <b>encrust</b> navigation buoys.</i>
<b>fence in</b>	Enclose with a fence.
<b><u>harass</u></b>	Subject to aggressive pressure or intimidation. <i>The squadron's task was to <b>harass</b> the retreating enemy forces.</i>
<b>harry</b>	Annoy continually or chronically. <i>The raiders then spent three months <b>harrying</b> and burning the area.</i>
<b><u>hassle</u></b>	Harass; pester. <i>You want to sit and relax and not get <b>hassled</b>.</i>
<b>hem in</b>	Fold over and sew together to provide with a hem.
<b>hound</b>	Harass, persecute, or pursue relentlessly. <i>His opponents used the allegations to <b>hound</b> him out of office.</i>
<b>incrust</b>	Form a crust or a hard layer.

<b>oppress</b>	Cause to suffer. <i>The government <b>oppresses</b> political activists.</i>
<b>plague</b>	Annoy continually or chronically. <i>He has been <b>plagued</b> by ill health.</i>
<b>provoke</b>	Evoke or provoke to appear or occur. <i>A teacher can <b>provoke</b> you into working harder.</i>
<b>rack</b>	Torture on the rack. <i>He was <b>racked</b> with guilt.</i>
<b>ring round</b>	Sound loudly and sonorously.
<b>set upon</b>	Decide upon or fix definitely.
<b>shut in</b>	Move so that an opening or passage is obstructed; make shut.
<b>surround</b>	Surround so as to force to give up. <i>The killings were <b>surrounded</b> by controversy.</i>
<b>torment</b>	Torment emotionally or mentally. <i>The sinners will be <b>tormented</b> in Hell according to the Bible.</i>
<b>torture</b>	Subject to torture. <i>Most of the victims had been brutally <b>tortured</b>.</i>
<b>trouble</b>	Take the trouble to do something concern oneself. <i>He was not <b>troubled</b> by doubts.</i>
<b>worry</b>	Disturb the peace of mind of; afflict with mental agitation or distress. <i>I <b>worry</b> about my job.</i>

## Usage Examples of "Beset" as a verb

- *The zebra was beset by leopards.*
- *She was beset with self-doubt.*
- *The social problems that beset the UK.*
- *I was beset by clouds of flies.*
- *The ship was beset by ice and finally sank.*
- *Springy grass all beset with tiny jewel-like flowers.*

## Associations of "Beset" (30 Words)

<b>adversity</b>	A state of misfortune or affliction. <i>Resilience in the face of <b>adversity</b>.</i>
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<b>afflict</b>	(of a celestial body) be in a stressful aspect with (another celestial body or a point on the ecliptic. <i>Afflict with the plague.</i>
<b>annoy</b>	Cause annoyance in disturb especially by minor irritations. <i>The decision really <b>annoyed</b> him.</i>
<b>befall</b>	Happen, occur, or be the case in the course of events or by chance (Santayana. <i>He promised that no harm would <b>befall</b> her.</i>
<b>beleaguer</b>	Annoy persistently. <i>Our leaders decided to <b>beleaguer</b> the city.</i>
<b>betide</b>	Happen. <i>I waited with beating heart not knowing what would <b>betide</b>.</i>
<b>calamity</b>	An event causing great and often sudden damage or distress; a disaster. <i>The journey had led to <b>calamity</b> and ruin.</i>
<b>cataclysm</b>	A sudden violent political or social upheaval. <i>The <b>cataclysm</b> of the First World War.</i>
<b>catastrophe</b>	An event resulting in great loss and misfortune. <i>The tax would be a <b>catastrophe</b> for the industry.</i>
<b>dilemma</b>	A difficult situation or problem. <i>The insoluble <b>dilemma</b> of adolescence.</i>
<b>disaster</b>	An event resulting in great loss and misfortune. <i>The earthquake was a <b>disaster</b>.</i>
<b>disturb</b>	Damage as if by shaking or jarring. <i>I ll see my patient now and we are not to be <b>disturbed</b>.</i>
<b>enemy</b>	A personal enemy. <i>He viewed lawyers as the real <b>enemy</b>.</i>
<b>harass</b>	Exhaust by attacking repeatedly. <i>Being <b>harassed</b> at work can leave you feeling confused and helpless.</i>
<b>hardship</b>	A state of misfortune or affliction. <i>The many <b>hardships</b> of frontier life.</i>
<b>harry</b>	Annoy continually or chronically. <i>He is known to <b>harry</b> his staff when he is overworked.</i>
<b>invasion</b>	An unwelcome intrusion into another's domain. <i>In 1546 England had to be defended from <b>invasion</b>.</i>
<b>misadventure</b>	An instance of misfortune. <i>The coroner recorded a verdict of death by <b>misadventure</b>.</i>

<b>mischance</b>	Bad luck. <i>By pure <b>mischance</b> the secret was revealed.</i>
<b><u>misfortune</u></b>	Bad luck. <i>Never laugh at other people's <b>misfortunes</b>.</i>
<b><u>mishap</u></b>	An instance of misfortune. <i>Although there were a few minor <b>mishaps</b> none of the pancakes stuck to the ceiling.</i>
<b>peeve</b>	Annoy or irritate. <i>Another <b>peeve</b> of mine is these so called reality shows.</i>
<b>persistently</b>	In a persistent manner. <i>Prices have remained <b>persistently</b> high.</i>
<b><u>pester</u></b>	Trouble or annoy (someone) with frequent or persistent requests or interruptions. <i>She constantly <b>pestered</b> him with telephone calls.</i>
<b><u>plight</u></b>	A situation from which extrication is difficult especially an unpleasant or trying one. <i>We must direct our efforts towards relieving the <b>plight</b> of children living in poverty.</i>
<b>presage</b>	(of a person) predict. <i>The fever was a sombre <b>presage</b> of his final illness.</i>
<b><u>raid</u></b>	Conduct a raid on. <i>Officers <b>raided</b> thirty homes yesterday.</i>
<b>ravage</b>	Cause extensive destruction or ruin utterly. <i>The hurricane <b>ravaged</b> southern Florida.</i>
<b><u>throes</u></b>	Violent pangs of suffering. <i>Death <b>throes</b>.</i>
<b><u>tragedy</u></b>	Drama in which the protagonist is overcome by some superior force or circumstance; excites terror or pity. <i>His life had been plagued by <b>tragedy</b>.</i>