

Need another word that means the same as “blur”? Find 35 synonyms and 30 related words for “blur” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Blur” are: smear, smudge, smutch, blear, film over, glaze over, confuse, obnubilate, obscure, dim, slur, faint, make indistinct, make vague, unfocus, soften, make unclear, make less distinct, become dim, become less sharp, dull, numb, deaden, lessen, decrease, diminish, reduce, mute, tone down, fuzz, haze, cloud, mist**

## Blur as a Noun

### Definitions of "Blur" as a noun

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

- *A hazy or indistinct representation.*
- *Something remembered or perceived indistinctly, typically because it happened very fast.*
- *A thing that cannot be seen or heard clearly.*



### Synonyms of "Blur" as a noun (6 Words)

- cloud** A cause of worry or gloom or trouble.  
*The sky was almost free of **cloud**.*
- fuzz** A frizzy mass of hair or fibre.  
*She saw Jess surrounded by a **fuzz** of sunlight.*
- haze** A very fine cloud of something such as vapour or smoke in the air.  
*An alcoholic **haze**.*
- mist** A thin fog with condensation near the ground.  
*A **mist** rose out of the river.*
- smear** An insecure foothold.  
*There was an oil **smear** on his jacket.*
- smudge** A blurred or smeared mark on the surface of something.  
*He had a **smudge** on his cheek.*



## Usage Examples of "Blur" as a noun

- *The pale blur of her face.*
- *The day before was a blur.*
- *The words were a blur.*
- *It happened so fast it was just a blur.*



## Blur as a Verb

### Definitions of "Blur" as a verb

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

- *To make less distinct or clear.*
- *Make a smudge on; soil by smudging.*
- *Become glassy; lose clear vision.*
- *Become vague or indistinct.*
- *Make or become unclear or less distinct.*
- *Make unclear, indistinct, or blurred.*
- *Make dim or indistinct.*



## Synonyms of "Blur" as a verb (29 Words)

<b>become dim</b>	Enhance the appearance of.
<b>become less sharp</b>	Come into existence.
<b>blear</b>	Make dim; blur. <i>He <b>bleared</b> his eyes with books.</i>
<b>confuse</b>	Make unclear, indistinct, or blurred. <i>These questions <b>confuse</b> even the experts.</i>
<b>deaden</b>	Lessen the momentum or velocity of. <i>Laughter might <b>deaden</b> us to the moral issue.</i>
<b>decrease</b>	Decrease in size extent or range. <i>He <b>decreased</b> his staff.</i>
<b><u>dim</u></b>	Make dim or lusterless. <i>His eyes <b>dimmed</b>.</i>

<b>diminish</b>	Make or become less. <i>The new law is expected to <b>diminish</b> the government's chances.</i>
<b>dull</b>	Make or become dull or less intense. <i>Too much cutting <b>dulls</b> the knife's edge.</i>
<b>faint</b>	Grow weak or feeble; decline. <i>The fires were <b>fainting</b> there.</i>
<b>film over</b>	Make a film or photograph of something.
<b>glaze over</b>	Coat with a glaze.
<b>lessen</b>	Decrease in size, extent, or range. <i>The warmth of the afternoon <b>lessened</b>.</i>
<b>make indistinct</b>	Develop into.
<b>make less distinct</b>	Earn on some commercial or business transaction; earn as salary or wages.
<b>make unclear</b>	Charge with a function; charge to be.
<b>make vague</b>	Change from one form into another.
<b>mute</b>	Muffle the sound of a musical instrument especially by the use of a mute. <i>When <b>muted</b> and blown hard the trombone produces a very nasal and metallic sound.</i>
<b>numb</b>	Make numb or insensitive. <i>Vodka might <b>numb</b> the pain in my hand.</i>
<b>obnubilate</b>	Make unclear, indistinct, or blurred. <i>Never to be short of illusions to <b>obnubilate</b> himself such was his dream.</i>
<b>obscure</b>	Make obscure or unclear. <i>The big elm tree <b>obscures</b> our view of the valley.</i>
<b>reduce</b>	Reduce in scope while retaining essential elements. <i>The cook <b>reduced</b> the sauce by boiling it for a long time.</i>
<b>slur</b>	Of words or speech be slurred. <i>Essential attributes are being <b>slurred</b> over or ignored.</i>
<b>smear</b>	Cover a surface by smearing a substance over it. <i>Her lipstick was <b>smear</b>ed.</i>
<b>smudge</b>	Make a smudge on soil by smudging. <i>She dabbed her eyes careful not to <b>smudge</b> her make up.</i>
<b>smutch</b>	Make a smudge on; soil by smudging.

<b>soften</b>	Make or become soft or softer. <i>A major injection of private cash could <b>soften</b> the blow for the taxpayer.</i>
<b>tone down</b>	Change to a color image.
<b>unfocus</b>	Cause to lose concentration or attention. <i>I found it helpful to slightly <b>unfocus</b> my eyes.</i>



### Usage Examples of "Blur" as a verb

- *The distinction between the two theories blurred.*
- *His novels blur the boundaries between criticism and fiction.*
- *In front of him the page blurred.*
- *The haze blurs the hills.*
- *The fog blurs my vision.*
- *Tears blurred her vision.*



## Associations of "Blur" (30 Words)

<b>ambiguous</b>	Open to two or more interpretations; or of uncertain nature or significance; or (often) intended to mislead. <i>An <b>ambiguous</b> situation with no frame of reference.</i>
<b>ambivalent</b>	Uncertain or unable to decide about what course to follow. <i>Some loved her some hated her few were <b>ambivalent</b> about her.</i>
<b>blurred</b>	Unable to see or be seen clearly. <i>A landscape of <b>blurred</b> outlines.</i>
<b>blurry</b>	Unable to perceive clear or sharp images. <i>Video projectors provided extremely <b>blurry</b> images.</i>
<b>cloud</b>	Darken the sky with cloud. <i>The stroke <b>clouded</b> memories of her youth.</i>
<b>cloudy</b>	(of a person's eyes) misted with tears. <i>A very grey <b>cloudy</b> day.</i>
<b>dim</b>	Become dim or lusterless. <i>The <b>dim</b> glow of the fire.</i>



<b><u>faint</u></b>	Pass out from weakness, physical or emotional distress due to a loss of blood supply to the brain. <i>She sent him a <b>faint</b> answering smile.</i>
<b><u>foggy</u></b>	Indistinctly expressed or remembered; obscure. <i>A dark and <b>foggy</b> night.</i>
<b><u>hazy</u></b>	Indistinct or hazy in outline. <i>School leavers were often <b>hazy</b> about employment.</i>
<b>illegibility</b>	The quality of writing (print or handwriting) that cannot be deciphered.
<b>imprecision</b>	Lack of exactness or accuracy. <i>All scientific measurements come with some degree of <b>imprecision</b>.</i>
<b><u>inconspicuous</u></b>	Not clearly visible or attracting attention. <i>He pushed the string through an <b>inconspicuous</b> hole.</i>
<b>indefinite</b>	Not clearly expressed or defined; vague. <i>Were <b>indefinite</b> about their plans.</i>
<b>indistinct</b>	Not clearly defined or easy to perceive or understand. <i>Only <b>indistinct</b> notions of what to do.</i>
<b>lightproof</b>	Not penetrable by light. <i>A <b>lightproof</b> envelope.</i>
<b><u>loom</u></b>	Weave on a loom. <i>Large shadows <b>loomed</b> on the canyon wall.</i>
<b>misty</b>	Filled or abounding with fog or mist. <i>The <b>misty</b> evening.</i>
<b>nebulous</b>	Lacking definite form or limits- H.T.Moore. <i><b>Nebulous</b> distinction between pride and conceit.</i>
<b><u>obscure</u></b>	Make obscure or unclear. <i>An impulse to go off and fight certain <b>obscure</b> battles of his own spirit.</i>
<b><u>opaque</u></b>	An opaque thing. <i>Technical jargon that was <b>opaque</b> to her.</i>
<b><u>slur</u></b>	Mark notes with a slur. <i>I can play it if I don't <b>slur</b> the notes.</i>
<b>smudge</b>	Make a smudge on soil by smudging. <i>Mascaras that <b>smudge</b> or flake around the eyes.</i>
<b><u>subtlety</u></b>	A subtle difference in meaning or opinion or attitude. <i>The textural <b>subtlety</b> of Degas.</i>
<b><u>unclear</u></b>	Not obvious or definite; ambiguous. <i>Users are still <b>unclear</b> about what middleware does.</i>

Not different or differentiated.

**undifferentiated** *By six weeks the sexual glands are as yet **undifferentiated** between male and female.*

**unnoticeable**

Not obtrusive or undesirably noticeable.

*Her clothes were simple and **unnoticeable**.*

**vague**

Lacking clarity or distinctness.

*Their descriptions of human behavior become **vague** dull and unclear.*

**vaguely**

In a vague way.

*He **vaguely** remembered talking to her once.*

**wispy**

Thin and weak.

*A **wispy** little fellow with small hands and feet.*

