

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

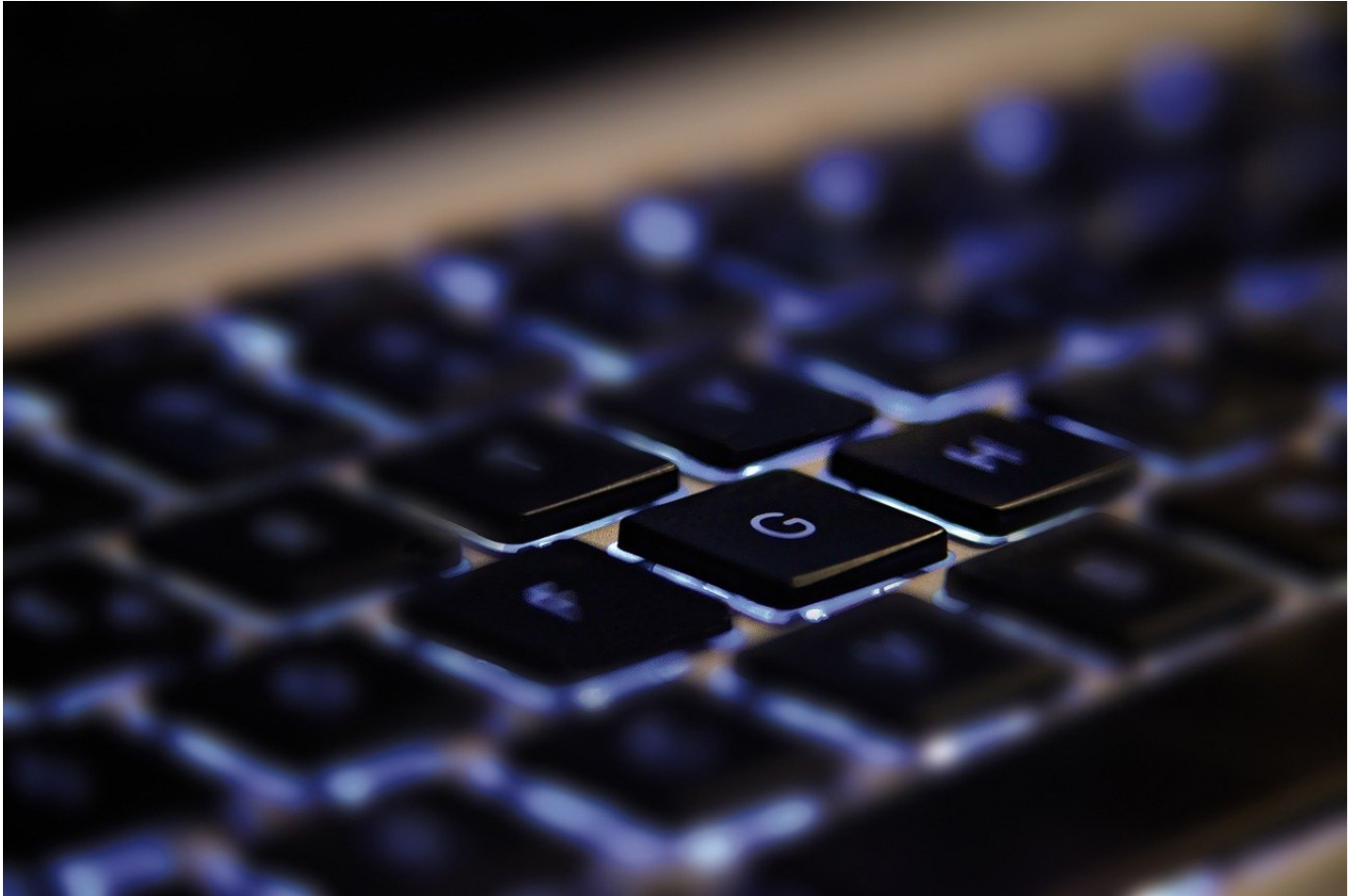
According to the [Oxford Dictionary of English](#), “blur” as a noun can have the following definitions:

- *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)

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

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

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

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

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

