

Need another word that means the same as “burning”? Find 70 synonyms and 30 related words for “burning” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Burning” are: blazing, flaming, aflame, fiery, flaring, ignited, glowing, red-hot, flickering, smouldering, baking, blistering, scorching, searing, sweltering, torrid, tropical, like an oven, like a furnace, like a blowtorch, intense, passionate, deep-seated, profound, wholehearted, strong, powerful, forceful, vigorous, ardent, urgent, fervent, fervid, fierce, earnest, eager, keen, enthusiastic, zealous, fanatical, frantic, consuming, extreme, acute, raging, uncontrollable, important, crucial, significant, prevalent, pertinent, relevant, topical, current, contemporary, active, live, controversial, pressing, compelling, critical, vital, lively, essential, pivotal, climacteric, burn, burning at the stake, combustion, electrocution

Burning as a Noun

Definitions of "Burning" as a noun

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

- *The act of burning something.*
- *A form of torture in which cigarettes or cigars or other hot implements are used to burn the victim's skin.*
- *A process in which a substance reacts with oxygen to give heat and light.*

- *Execution by electricity.*
- *Execution by fire.*
- *Pain that feels hot as if it were on fire.*



Synonyms of "Burning" as a noun (4 Words)

burn	An act of clearing of vegetation by burning. <i>He was treated in hospital for burns to his hands.</i>
burning at the stake	A process in which a substance reacts with oxygen to give heat and light.
combustion	The act of burning something. <i>The combustion of fossil fuels.</i>
electrocution	Killing by electric shock. <i>Death row inmates face either electrocution or lethal injection.</i>



Usage Examples of "Burning" as a noun

- *The burning of leaves was prohibited by a town ordinance.*



Burning as an Adjective

Definitions of "Burning" as an adjective

According to the [Oxford Dictionary of English](#), "burning" as an adjective can have the following definitions:

- *Very hot or bright.*
- *On fire.*
- *Of urgent interest and importance; exciting or calling for debate.*
- *Very keenly or deeply felt; intense.*
- *Of immediate import.*



Synonyms of "Burning" as an adjective (66 Words)

active	(used of verbs (e.g. `to run`) and participial adjectives (e.g. `running` in `running water`)) expressing action rather than a state of being. <i>The old watermill was active until 1960.</i>
<u>acute</u>	Denoting or designed for patients with an acute form of a disease. <i>Acute pain.</i>
aflame	Keenly excited (especially sexually) or indicating excitement. <i>Even the car's tires were aflame.</i>
<u>ardent</u>	Characterized by strong enthusiasm. <i>Frightened by his ardent burning eyes.</i>
baking	As hot as if in an oven.
<u>blazing</u>	Without any attempt at concealment; completely obvious. <i>The delicious cool of marble corridors after the blazing heat outside.</i>
blistering	Harsh or corrosive in tone. <i>Blistering criticism.</i>

climacteric	Of a fruit undergoing a climacteric. <i>Every year adds new symptoms to climacteric syndrome.</i>
<u>compelling</u>	Not able to be refuted; inspiring conviction. <i>A compelling argument.</i>
consuming	(of a feeling) completely filling one's mind and attention; absorbing. <i>Politics is his consuming passion.</i>
<u>contemporary</u>	Living or occurring at the same time. <i>Contemporary leaders.</i>
<u>controversial</u>	Giving rise or likely to give rise to controversy or public disagreement. <i>The issue of the death penalty is highly controversial.</i>
critical	(of a situation or problem) having the potential to become disastrous; at a point of crisis. <i>Critical mass.</i>
crucial	Having crucial relevance. <i>A crucial election.</i>
current	Occurring in or belonging to the present time. <i>The current topic.</i>
deep-seated	Deeply rooted; firmly fixed or held.
eager	(of a person's expression or tone of voice) keenly expectant or interested. <i>An eager look.</i>
earnest	Sincerely earnest. <i>Both sides were deeply in earnest even passionate.</i>
enthusiastic	Having or showing great excitement and interest. <i>Enthusiastic crowds filled the streets.</i>
essential	(of a disease) with no known external stimulus or cause; idiopathic. <i>Fibre is an essential ingredient of our diet.</i>
extreme	Furthest from the centre or a given point. <i>Extreme cold.</i>
fanatical	Obsessively concerned with something. <i>Her husband was fanatical about tidiness.</i>
<u>fervent</u>	Extremely hot- Nathaniel Hawthorne- Frances Trollope. <i>A fervent admirer.</i>
fervid	(archaic) extremely hot, burning, or glowing. <i>Set out when the fervid heat subsides.</i>
<u>fierce</u>	Violently agitated and turbulent. <i>The fire door had a fierce pneumatic return.</i>

fiery	Like or suggestive of fire. <i>The sun was a fiery ball low on the hills.</i>
flaming	(of a gay man) having a manner or appearance regarded as stereotypically homosexual. <i>Her flaming hair.</i>
flaring	Streaming or flapping or spreading wide as if in a current of air. <i>Ran quickly her flaring coat behind her.</i>
flickering	Shining unsteadily. <i>The flickering flames cast long shadows.</i>
forceful	Forceful and definite in expression or action. <i>A forceful speaker.</i>
frantic	Conducted in a hurried, excited, and disorganized way. <i>Frantic with anger and frustration.</i>
glowing	Expressing great praise. <i>He received a glowing report from his teachers.</i>
ignited	Set afire. <i>The ignited paper.</i>
important	Important in effect or meaning. <i>Took long important strides in the direction of his office.</i>
intense	Extremely sharp or intense. <i>Intense desire.</i>
keen	Interested in or attracted by (someone or something). <i>A keen gardener.</i>
like a blowtorch	Conforming in every respect.
like a furnace	Conforming in every respect.
like an oven	Equal in amount or value.
live	Of current relevance. <i>Tossed a live cigarette out the window.</i>
lively	Full of life and energy; active and outgoing. <i>A lively party.</i>
passionate	Arising from intense feelings of sexual love. <i>A passionate kiss.</i>
pertinent	Relevant or applicable to a particular matter; apposite. <i>A list of articles pertinent to the discussion.</i>
pivotal	Being of crucial importance. <i>Japan s pivotal role in the world economy.</i>

powerful	Possessing physical strength and weight rugged and powerful. <i>Computers are now more compact and powerful.</i>
pressing	Expressing something strongly or persistently. <i>A pressing invitation.</i>
<u>prevalent</u>	Widespread in a particular area or at a particular time. <i>The social ills prevalent in society today.</i>
profound	Far-reaching and thoroughgoing in effect especially on the nature of something. <i>The implications of this discovery are profound.</i>
<u>raging</u>	Showing rage. <i>A raging battle.</i>
red-hot	Very fast; capable of quick response and great speed.
<u>relevant</u>	Appropriate to the current time, period, or circumstances; of contemporary interest. <i>Her films are relevant for feminists today.</i>
scorching	Very fast. <i>Scorching heat.</i>
searing	Severely critical. <i>The searing heat of the sun.</i>
significant	Suggesting a meaning or message that is not explicitly stated. <i>Significant details.</i>
smouldering	Denoting or showing barely suppressed anger, desire, or another powerful emotion. <i>A pile of smouldering wood.</i>
strong	Relating to or denoting the strongest of the known kinds of force between particles which acts between nucleons and other hadrons when closer than about 10 cm so binding protons in a nucleus despite the repulsion due to their charge and which conserves strangeness parity and isospin. <i>A strong current.</i>
<u>sweltering</u>	Uncomfortably hot. <i>A sweltering room.</i>
topical	(of a subject) of immediate relevance, interest, or importance owing to its relation to current events. <i>Foreign or topical stamps.</i>
torrid	Extremely hot and dry. <i>The torrid heat of the noonday sun.</i>

tropical	Of weather or climate; hot and humid as in the tropics. <i>Tropical fruit.</i>
<u>uncontrollable</u>	Incapable of being controlled. <i>Her brother had an uncontrollable temper.</i>
urgent	Of an action or event done or arranged in response to an urgent situation. <i>An urgent demand for more state funding.</i>
<u>vigorous</u>	Characterized by or involving physical strength, effort, or energy. <i>A tall vigorous and muscular man.</i>
<u>vital</u>	Absolutely necessary; essential. <i>The vital organs.</i>
wholehearted	With unconditional and enthusiastic devotion. <i>Gave wholehearted support to her candidacy.</i>
<u>zealous</u>	Having or showing zeal. <i>The council was extremely zealous in the application of the regulations.</i>



Usage Examples of "Burning" as an adjective

- *A burning building.*
- *The burning question of independence.*
- *He had a burning ambition to climb to the upper reaches of management.*
- *Burning issues of the day.*
- *The burning midday sun.*
- *Pension reform is still a burning issue.*



Associations of "Burning" (30 Words)

ablaze

Keenly excited (especially sexually) or indicating excitement.
*His clothes were **ablaze**.*

afire

On fire; burning.
*Forests set **ablaze** or **afire** by lightning.*

aflame	Keenly excited (especially sexually) or indicating excitement. <i>Pour brandy over the steaks and then set aflame.</i>
alight	Descend from a train, bus, or other form of transport. <i>Visitors should alight at the Fort Road stop.</i>
ardent	Burning; glowing. <i>An ardent supporter of the conservative cause.</i>
blaze	Indicate by marking trees with blazes. <i>The summer sun alone can cause a pine to blaze.</i>
bonfire	A large outdoor fire that is lighted as a signal or in celebration. <i>The smell of burning leaves from a garden bonfire.</i>
burn	Burn, sear or freeze tissue using a hot iron or electric current or a caustic agent. <i>My eyes are burning.</i>
cauterize	Burn, sear, or freeze (tissue) using a hot iron or electric current or a caustic agent. <i>The surgeon cauterized the wart.</i>
combustible	A combustible substance. <i>A volatile and combustible personality.</i>
combustion	The act of burning something. <i>The combustion of fossil fuels.</i>
douse	Dip into a liquid. <i>Stewards appeared and the fire was doused.</i>
fervent	Characterized by intense emotion. <i>The fervent heat merely communicated a genial warmth to their half torpid systems.</i>
fervid	Intensely enthusiastic or passionate, especially to an excessive degree. <i>Set out when the fervid heat subsides.</i>
fiery	Very intense. <i>A fiery desert wind.</i>
fire	A fireplace in which a relatively small fire is burning. <i>Clinton directed his fire at the Republican Party.</i>
flame	Burn and give off flames. <i>Jess s cheeks flamed.</i>
flaming	Very hot. <i>They dragged her away from the flaming car.</i>
igneous	Like or suggestive of fire. <i>Igneous fusion is fusion by heat alone.</i>

<u>impassioned</u>	Characterized by intense emotion. <i>She made an impassioned plea for help.</i>
passion	A strong feeling or emotion. <i>Their all consuming passion for each other.</i>
passionate	Having or expressing strong emotions. <i>Passionate pleas for help.</i>
pyre	A heap of combustible material, especially one for burning a corpse as part of a funeral ceremony.
<u>scorch</u>	Become scorched or singed under intense heat or dry conditions. <i>The heat scorched the countryside.</i>
sear	Having lost all moisture. <i>A sharp pang of disappointment seared her.</i>
singe	Be lightly or superficially burned. <i>My eyebrows singed when I bent over the flames.</i>
stoke	Encourage or incite (a strong emotion or tendency). <i>He stoked up the barbecue.</i>
stove	Treat an object by heating it in a stove in order to apply a desired surface coating. <i>Dinner was already on the stove.</i>
torrid	Full of difficulty. <i>A torrid love affair.</i>
zest	The outer coloured part of the peel of citrus fruit, used as flavouring. <i>I used to try to beat past records to add zest to my monotonous job.</i>

