

Need another word that means the same as “bystander”? Find 11 synonyms and 30 related words for “bystander” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Bystander” are: onlooker, passer-by, observer, spectator, eyewitness, witness, looker-on, sightseer, watcher, viewer, gaper

Bystander as a Noun

Definitions of "Bystander" as a noun

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

- *A person who is present at an event or incident but does not take part.*
- *A nonparticipant spectator.*



Synonyms of "Bystander" as a noun (11 Words)

eyewitness A person who has seen something happen and can give a first-hand description of it.

***Eyewitness** accounts of the London blitz.*

gaper A person who stares in amazement or wonder.
*Her sort of success inevitably attracted **gapers**.*

looker-on Someone who looks on.

observer An expert who observes and comments on something.
*Some **observers** expect interest rates to rise.*

onlooker A non-participating observer; a spectator.
*A crowd of fascinated **onlookers**.*

passer-by A person who passes by casually or by chance.

sightseer A tourist who is visiting sights of interest.
*Hordes of **sightseers**.*

spectator A woman's pump with medium heel; usually in contrasting colors for toe and heel.

*The **spectators** applauded the performance.*

viewer	A person who looks at or inspects something. <i>Television viewers.</i>
watcher	A close observer; someone who looks at something (such as an exhibition of some kind). <i>A badger watcher.</i>
witness	Used to refer to confirmation or evidence given by signature or under oath. <i>A key witness at the trial.</i>



Usage Examples of "Bystander" as a noun

- *Water cannons were turned on marchers and innocent bystanders alike.*

Associations of "Bystander" (30 Words)

<u>accusatory</u>	Indicating or suggesting that one believes a person has done something wrong. <i>Black accusatory looks.</i>
ask	Require or ask for as a price or condition. <i>The old man asked about her job.</i>
<u>busybody</u>	A person who meddles in the affairs of others. <i>Others considered him an interfering busybody.</i>
crowd	Cause to herd drive or crowd together. <i>Men in straw boaters and waxed mustaches crowded the verandah.</i>
curious	Expressing curiosity. <i>She was curious to know what had happened.</i>
extrapolation	The action of estimating or concluding something by assuming that existing trends will continue or a current method will remain applicable. <i>Extrapolation of the logarithmic curve yielded an estimate of 66 species.</i>
<u>gang</u>	Of a number of people form a group or gang. <i>Adjacent faders can be ganged for common manipulation.</i>
<u>incredulous</u>	Not disposed or willing to believe; unbelieving. <i>An incredulous gasp.</i>
inquiring	(of a look or expression) suggesting that information is sought. <i>An inquiring mind.</i>
inquisitive	Inquiring or appearing to inquire. <i>The police are proverbially inquisitive.</i>
interested	Showing curiosity or concern about something or someone; having a feeling of interest. <i>Seeking views from all interested parties.</i>
interrogative	Some linguists consider interrogative sentences to constitute a mood. <i>Interrogatives are not likely to crop up very often in the speech of a person who is being interviewed.</i>
interrogatory	Formal systematic questioning. <i>She abandoned her interrogatory monologue.</i>
<u>multitude</u>	The state of being numerous. <i>Father Peter addressed the multitude.</i>
<u>nosy</u>	Pry into something. <i>They don't nosy into your business like some people.</i>

onlooker	A non-participating observer; a spectator. <i>A crowd of fascinated onlookers.</i>
<u>perplexed</u>	Full of difficulty or confusion or bewilderment. <i>She gave him a perplexed look.</i>
probing	Diligent and thorough in inquiry or investigation. <i>A probing inquiry.</i>
<u>puzzled</u>	Filled with bewilderment. <i>She looked puzzled and angry with him.</i>
question	Pose a series of questions to. <i>We hope this leaflet has been helpful in answering your questions.</i>
questioning	(of a look) suggesting that information is sought. <i>The young lieutenant escorted us to the barracks for questioning.</i>
quizzical	Playfully vexing (especially by ridicule). <i>One of the most quizzical movies ever made.</i>
sceptical	Relating to the theory that certain knowledge is impossible. <i>The public were deeply sceptical about some of the proposals.</i>
searching	Having keenness and forcefulness and penetration in thought, expression, or intellect. <i>You have to ask yourselves some searching questions.</i>
<u>skeptical</u>	Denying or questioning the tenets of especially a religion. <i>A skeptical listener.</i>
speculative	Not financially safe or secure. <i>Speculative knowledge.</i>
<u>surrounded</u>	Confined on all sides. <i>A camp surrounded by enemies.</i>
throng	(of a crowd) fill or be present in (a place or area). <i>He pushed his way through the throng.</i>
wonder	A thing or a quality of something that causes wonder. <i>Even hereditary peers are inclined to wonder about the legitimacy of the place.</i>
<u>wondering</u>	Showing curiosity. <i>Unsure where she was leading to I cast her a wondering look.</i>