

Need another word that means the same as “captain”? Find 39 synonyms and 30 related words for “captain” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Captain” are: chieftain, senior pilot, police captain, police chief, master, sea captain, skipper, headwaiter, maitre d', maitre d'hotel, commander, airman, airwoman, flyer, aeronaut, leader, head, magnate, tycoon, mogul, grandee, baron, nabob, mandarin, industrialist, command, run, be in charge of, have charge of, control, have control of, govern, preside over, direct, rule, manage, supervise, superintend**

## Captain as a Noun

### Definitions of "Captain" as a noun

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

- *The pilot in command of a civil aircraft.*
- *(in the US) a police officer in charge of a precinct, ranking below a chief.*
- *The naval officer in command of a military ship.*
- *The leader of a group of people.*
- *An officer who is licensed to command a merchant ship.*
- *The pilot in charge of an airship.*
- *A rank of naval officer above commander and below commodore.*
- *A policeman in charge of a precinct.*

- *The person in command of a ship.*
- *An officer holding a rank below a major but above a lieutenant.*
- *The leader of a team, especially in sports.*
- *A dining-room attendant who is in charge of the waiters and the seating of customers.*
- *A rank of officer in the army and in the US and Canadian air forces, above lieutenant and below major.*
- *A head boy or girl in a school.*
- *A supervisor of waiters or bellboys.*
- *A powerful or influential person in a particular field.*



## Synonyms of "Captain" as a noun (25 Words)

<b>aeronaut</b>	A traveller in a hot-air balloon, airship, or other flying craft.
<b>airman</b>	A member of the US air force of the lowest rank, below staff sergeant.
<b>airwoman</b>	A female pilot or member of the crew of an aircraft, especially in an air force.

<b>baron</b>	A member of a foreign nobility having a rank similar to that of a British baron. <i>A press <b>baron</b>.</i>
<b>chieftain</b>	A powerful member of an organization. <i>Powerful feudal <b>chieftains</b>.</i>
<u><b>commander</b></u>	A commissioned naval officer who ranks above a lieutenant commander and below a captain. <i>The <b>commander</b> of a paratroop regiment.</i>
<b>flyer</b>	Someone who travels by air. <i>Frequent <b>flyers</b>.</i>
<b>grandee</b>	A person of high rank or eminence. <i>Several City <b>grandees</b> and eminent lawyers.</i>
<b>head</b>	The pressure exerted by a head of water or by a confined body of steam. <i>Under the <b>head</b> of minor Roman poets.</i>
<b>headwaiter</b>	A dining-room attendant who is in charge of the waiters and the seating of customers.
<b>industrialist</b>	A person involved in the ownership and management of industry. <i>The exploitation of child labour by nineteenth century <b>industrialists</b>.</i>
<b>leader</b>	The person or team that is winning a sporting competition at a particular time. <i>The <b>leader</b> of a protest group.</i>
<b>magnate</b>	A wealthy and influential businessman or businesswoman. <i>A property <b>magnate</b>.</i>
<b>maitre d'</b>	A dining-room attendant who is in charge of the waiters and the seating of customers.
<b>maitre d'hotel</b>	A dining-room attendant who is in charge of the waiters and the seating of customers.
<b>mandarin</b>	Of clothing characteristic of a former Chinese mandarin. <i>A red buttoned <b>mandarin</b> cap.</i>
<b>master</b>	Someone who holds a master s degree from academic institution. <i>He acceded to his <b>master</b> s wishes.</i>
<b>mogul</b>	A steam locomotive of 2-6-0 wheel arrangement. <i>The Hollywood movie <b>mogul</b> Sam Goldwyn.</i>
<b>nabob</b>	A wealthy man (especially one who made his fortune in the Orient.
<b>police captain</b>	The force of policemen and officers.
<b>police chief</b>	The force of policemen and officers.
<b>sea captain</b>	Turbulent water with swells of considerable size.

- senior pilot** A person who is older than you are.
- skipper** The naval officer in command of a military ship.  
*The former Derbyshire batsman has been retained as **skipper**.*
- tycoon** A wealthy, powerful person in business or industry.  
*A newspaper **tycoon**.*



## Usage Examples of "Captain" as a noun

- *He found a vessel whose captain was prepared to sign him on.*
- *Aircraft captains are entitled to deny boarding to passengers under the influence of drugs.*
- *The cup was presented to the winning team's captain.*
- *A captain of industry.*
- *He did very well academically, becoming school captain.*



## Captain as a Verb

### Definitions of "Captain" as a verb

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

- *Be the captain of a sports team.*

- *Be the captain of (a ship, aircraft, or sports team).*



## Synonyms of "Captain" as a verb (14 Words)

**be in charge of** Be priced at.

**command** Be in command of.  
*He **commanded** a Hurricane squadron.*

**control** Exercise authoritative control or power over.  
***Control** the budget.*

**direct** Aim something in a particular direction or at a particular person.  
*The conscience of the credulous prince was **directed** by saints and bishops.*

**govern** Bring into conformity with rules or principles or usage; impose regulations.  
*His belief in God **governs** his conduct.*

**have charge of** Go through (mental or physical states or experiences).

**have control of** Receive willingly something given or offered.

<b>manage</b>	Be the manager of a sports team or a performer. <i>I <b>managed</b> to carry the box upstairs.</i>
<b>preside over</b>	Act as president.
<b>rule</b>	Mark or draw with a ruler. <i>The region today is <b>ruled</b> by elected politicians.</i>
<b>run</b>	Of a batsman run from one wicket to the other in scoring or attempting to score a run. <i>These dyes and colors are guaranteed not to <b>run</b>.</i>
<b>skipper</b>	Work as the skipper on a vessel. <i>The course teaches even complete beginners to <b>skipper</b> their own yachts.</i>
<b>superintend</b>	Watch and direct. <i>He <b>superintended</b> a land reclamation scheme.</i>
<b><u>supervise</u></b>	Keep watch over (someone) in the interest of their or others' security. <i>Nurses were <b>supervised</b> by a consultant psychiatrist.</i>





## Usage Examples of "Captain" as a verb

- *All the boats are captained by professional sailors.*



## Associations of "Captain" (30 Words)

<b>adventure</b>	A commercial venture. <i>They had <b>adventured</b> into the forest.</i>
<b>barge</b>	Convey freight by barge. <i>You can use this method to <b>barge</b> an opponent.</i>
<b>boat</b>	Travel in a boat for pleasure. <i>They <b>boated</b> through fjords.</i>
<b>cartographic</b>	Of or relating to the making of maps or charts. <i>He started his own <b>cartographic</b> printing company.</i>
<b>chieftain</b>	The leader of a group of people. <i>An elite composed of corporate <b>chieftains</b>.</i>
<b>circumnavigate</b>	Sail or travel all the way around (something, especially the world). <i>He undertook to <b>circumnavigate</b> the globe in 80 days or less.</i>
<a href="#"><u>compass</u></a>	The range of notes that can be produced by a voice or a musical instrument. <i>Within the <b>compass</b> of education.</i>
<b>cruise</b>	Sail or travel about for pleasure, relaxation, or sightseeing. <i>She <b>cruised</b> the neighborhood in her new convertible.</i>
<a href="#"><u>dock</u></a>	Come into dock. <i>Most spaceships <b>docked</b> at the orbital transit station.</i>
<b>echolocation</b>	The location of objects by reflected sound, in particular that used by animals such as dolphins and bats.
<b>foreman</b>	A person who exercises control over workers. <i>If you want to leave early you have to ask the <b>foreman</b>.</i>
<b>leader</b>	A short strip of non-functioning material at each end of a reel of film or recording tape for connection to the spool. <i>The <b>leader</b> of a protest group.</i>
<b>mariner</b>	A man who serves as a sailor. <i>The intrepid <b>mariners</b> of yesteryear set out to discover new worlds.</i>
<b>maritime</b>	Living or found in or near the sea. <i><b>Maritime</b> cultures.</i>
<b>master</b>	Someone who holds a master's degree from academic institution. <i>He was <b>master</b> of the situation.</i>
<b>navigation</b>	The guidance of ships or airplanes from place to place. <i>Transporter bridges to span rivers without hindering <b>navigation</b>.</i>

<b><u>navigator</u></b>	In earlier times, a person who explored by ship. <i>The starry sky was a <b>navigator</b>'s dream.</i>
<b>oar</b>	An oarsman a rower. <i>I was stroke <b>oar</b> and John was in the bow.</i>
<b><u>ocean</u></b>	Anything apparently limitless in quantity or volume. <i>They scramble across the beach to the <b>ocean</b> and plunge into the surf.</i>
<b>regiment</b>	Form military personnel into a regiment. <i><b>Regiment</b> one's children.</i>
<b>rudder</b>	Application of a rudder in steering a boat ship or aircraft. <i>A small amount of extra <b>rudder</b>.</i>
<b>sail</b>	A voyage or excursion in a ship especially a sailing ship or boat. <i>The boat can no longer carry that area of <b>sail</b>.</i>
<b>sailing</b>	The action of sailing in a ship or boat. <i>On the eve of her <b>sailing</b> she learned that news had come in from Cyprus.</i>
<b><u>ship</u></b>	Of a sailor take service on a ship. <i>The freight would be <b>shipped</b> by rail.</i>
<b>skipper</b>	Work as the skipper on a vessel. <i>The former Derbyshire batsman has been retained as <b>skipper</b>.</i>
<b><u>squad</u></b>	A small squad of policemen trained to deal with a particular kind of crime. <i>The demolition <b>squad</b> from No 6 Troop were blowing up the guns.</i>
<b>steamboat</b>	A boat that is propelled by a steam engine, especially (in the US) a paddle-wheel craft of a type used on rivers in the 19th century.
<b>supervisor</b>	A person who directs and oversees the work of a postgraduate research student.
<b>tugboat</b>	A powerful small boat designed to pull or push larger ships.
<b><u>voyage</u></b>	Go on a voyage. <i>Writing a biography is a <b>voyage</b> of discovery.</i>

