

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)

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

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

manage	Be the manager of a sports team or a performer. <i>I managed to carry the box upstairs.</i>
preside over	Act as president.
rule	Mark or draw with a ruler. <i>The region today is ruled by elected politicians.</i>
run	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 run.</i>
skipper	Work as the skipper on a vessel. <i>The course teaches even complete beginners to skipper their own yachts.</i>
superintend	Watch and direct. <i>He superintended a land reclamation scheme.</i>
supervise	Keep watch over (someone) in the interest of their or others' security. <i>Nurses were supervised 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)

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

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

