

Need another word that means the same as “circle”? Find 50 synonyms and 30 related words for “circle” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Circle” are: band, lot, set, rotary, roundabout, traffic circle, mexican valium, r-2, roach, roofy, rope, rophy, round, circuit, lap, dress circle, ring, hoop, circlet, balcony, upper circle, group, company, body, coterie, clique, sphere, world, milieu, arena, domain, encircle, wheel, move round, move round in circles, revolve, rotate, whirl, spiral, gyrate, go round, walk round, travel round, circumnavigate, surround, ring round, enclose, encompass, bound**

## Circle as a Noun

### Definitions of "Circle" as a noun

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

- *A road junction at which traffic streams circularly around a central island.*
- *Something approximating the shape of a circle.*
- *Any circular or rotating mechanism.*
- *Ellipse in which the two axes are of equal length; a plane curve generated by one point moving at a constant distance from a fixed point.*
- *An unofficial association of people or groups.*
- *A curved upper tier of seats in a theatre or cinema.*
- *Movement once around a course.*

- *A group of people with a shared profession, interests, or acquaintances.*
- *Street names for flunitrazepan.*
- *Something in the shape of a circle.*
- *A dark circular mark below each eye caused by illness or tiredness.*
- *A curved section or tier of seats in a hall or theater or opera house; usually the first tier above the orchestra.*
- *A round plane figure whose boundary (the circumference) consists of points equidistant from a fixed point (the centre).*



## Synonyms of "Circle" as a noun (31 Words)

### [arena](#)

A large structure for open-air sports or entertainments.  
*He has re entered the political **arena**.*

### **balcony**

A platform enclosed by a wall or balustrade on the outside of a building, with access from an upper-floor window or door.  
*The glass doors opened on to a **balcony** with a view of the park.*

<b>band</b>	A range of values or a specified category within a series (used especially in financial contexts. <i>Must I fall and die in <b>bands</b>.</i>
<b>body</b>	The body excluding the head and neck and limbs. <i>The blow almost severed his head from his <b>body</b>.</i>
<b>circlet</b>	A small circle.
<b>circuit</b>	Law a judicial division of a state or the United States so called because originally judges traveled and held court in different locations one of the twelve groups of states in the United States that is covered by a particular circuit court of appeals. <i>The success of any chapel or Methodist <b>circuit</b> depended on the minister.</i>
<b>clique</b>	A small close-knit group of people who do not readily allow others to join them. <i>The old school <b>clique</b>.</i>
<b>company</b>	A visiting person or group of people. <i>She is excellent <b>company</b>.</i>
<b>coterie</b>	A small group of people with shared interests or tastes, especially one that is exclusive of other people. <i>A <b>coterie</b> of friends and advisers.</i>
<b>domain</b>	A discrete region of magnetism in ferromagnetic material. <i>The country's isolation in the <b>domain</b> of sport.</i>
<b>dress circle</b>	Clothing of a distinctive style or for a particular occasion.
<b>group</b>	A set of elements occupying a column in the periodic table and having broadly similar properties arising from their similar electronic structure. <i>The bulbs should be planted in <b>groups</b>.</i>
<b>hoop</b>	Horizontal circular metal hoop supporting a net through which players try to throw the basketball. <i>A pair of plain gold <b>hoops</b>.</i>
<b>lap</b>	The part of an item of clothing especially a skirt or dress covering the lap. <i>He drove an extra <b>lap</b> just for insurance.</i>
<b>lot</b>	The choice resulting from deciding something by lot. <i>Has a happy <b>lot</b>.</i>
<b>mexican valium</b>	Street names for flunitrazepan.
<b>milieu</b>	The environmental condition. <i>Gregory came from the same aristocratic <b>milieu</b> as Sidonius.</i>
<b>r-2</b>	Street names for flunitrazepan.

<b>ring</b>	The sound of a bell ringing E A Poe. <i>A diamond <b>ring</b>.</i>
<b>roach</b>	A cockroach.
<b>roofy</b>	Street names for flunitrazepan.
<b>rope</b>	The ropes enclosing a boxing or wrestling ring. <i>There was no way down even with a <b>rope</b>.</i>
<b>rophy</b>	Street names for flunitrazepan.
<b>rotary</b>	A rotary machine engine or device. <i>There is an output level <b>rotary</b> for overall volume setting.</i>
<b><u>round</u></b>	The amount of ammunition needed to fire one shot. <i>They enjoyed singing <b>rounds</b>.</i>
<b><u>roundabout</u></b>	A revolving machine with model horses or cars on which people ride for amusement; a merry-go-round. <i>Turn right at the next <b>roundabout</b>.</i>
<b>set</b>	The process of becoming hard or solid by cooling or drying or crystallization. <i>The <b>set</b> of prime numbers is infinite.</i>
<b>sphere</b>	The apparent surface of the imaginary sphere on which celestial bodies appear to be projected. <i>Political reforms to match those in the economic <b>sphere</b>.</i>
<b>traffic circle</b>	The amount of activity over a communication system during a given period of time.
<b>upper circle</b>	A central nervous system stimulant that increases energy and decreases appetite; used to treat narcolepsy and some forms of depression.
<b>world</b>	All that relates to a particular sphere of activity. <i>All the <b>world</b> loves a lover.</i>





### Usage Examples of "Circle" as a noun

- *She sat in the front row of the circle.*
- *The chairs were arranged in a circle.*
- *The lamp spread a circle of light.*
- *The machine punched out metal circles.*
- *They had excellent seats in the dress circle.*
- *They all sat round in a circle.*
- *He calculated the circumference of the circle.*
- *Draw a circle with a compass.*
- *She was pale and rather beautiful, with dark circles around deep, exhausted eyes.*
- *She did not normally move in such exalted circles.*



## Circle as a Verb

### Definitions of "Circle" as a verb

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

- *Form a circle around.*
- *Move in a circular path above (someone or something).*
- *Draw a line around.*
- *Move in a wide loop back towards one's starting point.*
- *Move all the way around (someone or something), especially more than once.*
- *Form a ring around.*
- *Travel around something.*
- *Form or draw a circle around.*
- *Move in circles.*





## Synonyms of "Circle" as a verb (19 Words)

### **bound**

Of an object rebound from a surface.  
*Shares **bounded** ahead in early dealing.*

### **circumnavigate**

Travel around, either by plane or ship.  
*They **circumnavigated** the issue.*

### **encircle**

Bind with something round or circular.  
*The town is **encircled** by fortified walls.*

### **enclose**

Enclose or enfold completely with or as if with a covering.  
*Darkness **enclosed** him.*

### **encompass**

Include comprehensively.  
*This group **encompasses** a wide range of people from different backgrounds.*

### **go round**

Pass, fare, or elapse; of a certain state of affairs or action.

### **gyrate**

Revolve quickly and repeatedly around one's own axis.  
*Strippers **gyrated** to rock music on a low stage.*

<b>move round</b>	Have an emotional or cognitive impact upon.
<b>move round in circles</b>	Be in a state of action.
<u><b>revolve</b></u>	Move in an orbit. <i>The Earth <b>revolves</b> around the Sun.</i>
<b>ring</b>	Ring or echo with sound. <i>Dark shadows <b>ringed</b> his eyes.</i>
<b>ring round</b>	Ring or echo with sound.
<u><b>rotate</b></u>	Exchange on a regular basis. <i>Ballet dancers can <b>rotate</b> their legs out by 90 degrees.</i>
<u><b>spiral</b></u>	To wind or move in a spiral course. <i>The path <b>spirals</b> up the mountain.</i>
<u><b>surround</b></u>	Surround so as to force to give up. <i>Troops <b>surrounded</b> the parliament building.</i>
<b>travel round</b>	Change location; move, travel, or proceed, also metaphorically.
<b>walk round</b>	Use one's feet to advance; advance by steps.
<b>wheel</b>	Carry in or on a vehicle with wheels. <i>The tea trolley was <b>wheeled</b> out.</i>
<u><b>whirl</b></u>	Turn in a twisting or spinning motion. <i>The dervishes <b>whirl</b> around and around without getting dizzy.</i>





## Usage Examples of "Circle" as a verb

- *Circle the correct answers.*
- *He paced away from her, then circled back.*
- *Encircle the errors.*
- *Circle the globe.*
- *We circled round the island.*
- *They were circling Athens airport.*
- *The plane circled, looking for a landing spot.*
- *The abbey was circled by a huge wall.*



## Associations of "Circle" (30 Words)

<b>arc</b>	Form an electric arc. <i>His transformation provides the emotional <b>arc</b> of the story.</i>
<b>circular</b>	Having a circular shape. <i>The <b>circular</b> motion of the wheel.</i>
<b>concave</b>	Curving inward. <i><b>Concave</b> lenses.</i>
<b>convex</b>	Curving or bulging outward. <i>A <b>convex</b> lens.</i>
<b>crescent</b>	A charge in the form of a crescent typically with the points upward. <i>On the flag was embroidered the Turkish <b>crescent</b>.</i>
<b><u>curve</u></b>	A line on a graph whether straight or curved showing how one quantity varies with respect to another. <i>He relies on a couple of <b>curves</b> and a modest fastball.</i>
<b>cycloid</b>	A curve (resembling a series of arches) traced by a point on a circle being rolled along a straight line.
<b>diameter</b>	A transverse measurement of something; width or thickness.

<b>ellipse</b>	A regular oval shape, traced by a point moving in a plane so that the sum of its distances from two other points (the foci) is constant, or resulting when a cone is cut by an oblique plane which does not intersect the base. <i>The sums of the distances from the foci to any point on an <b>ellipse</b> is constant.</i>
<b>elliptical</b>	(of speech or writing) using or involving ellipsis, especially so as to be difficult to understand. <i><b>Elliptical</b> colloquial exchanges.</i>
<b>epicycle</b>	An epicycle used to describe planetary orbits in the Ptolemaic system.
<b>epicycloid</b>	A curve traced by a point on the circumference of a circle rolling on the exterior of another circle.
<b>hyperbola</b>	The pair of hyperbolas formed by the intersection of a plane with two equal cones on opposite sides of the same vertex.
<b>oblate</b>	Having the equatorial diameter greater than the polar diameter; being flattened at the poles.
<b>oval</b>	A body object or design with an oval shape or outline. <i>Cut out two small <b>ovals</b> from the felt.</i>
<b>ovoid</b>	An ovoid body or surface.
<b>parabola</b>	A symmetrical open plane curve formed by the intersection of a cone with a plane parallel to its side. The path of a projectile under the influence of gravity follows a curve of this shape.
<b>parabolic</b>	Of or like a parabola or part of one. <i><b>Parabolic</b> teaching.</i>
<b>peristyle</b>	A space such as a court or porch that is surrounded or edged by a peristyle.
<b><u>pivot</u></b>	Provide a mechanism with a pivot fix a mechanism on a pivot. <i>He swung round <b>pivoting</b> on his heel.</i>
<b>radius</b>	A circular region whose area is indicated by the length of its radius. <i>Brian carefully <b>radiused</b> all the sharp edges and corners.</i>
<b><u>revolve</u></b>	Move in a circular orbit around. <i>Overhead the fan <b>revolved</b> slowly.</i>
<b>rotary</b>	A rotary machine engine or device. <i>A <b>rotary</b> mower.</i>
<b><u>rotate</u></b>	Cause to turn on an axis or center. <i>We <b>rotate</b> the crops so as to maximize the use of the soil.</i>
<b><u>round</u></b>	Pronounce with rounded lips. <i>His business is worth a <b>round</b> sum to me.</i>
<b>rounded</b>	Having a spherical shape. <i>We should educate children to become <b>rounded</b> human beings.</i>



**shaped**

Shaped to fit by or as if by altering the contours of a pliable mass as by work or effort.

*An enclosed back garden with a **shaped** lawn.*

**spheroid**

A solid generated by a half revolution of an ellipse about its major axis prolate spheroid or minor axis oblate spheroid.

*It looked like a sphere but on closer examination I saw it was really a **spheroid**.*

**spin**

Cause to spin.

*Spiders **spin** a fine web.*

**swivel**

Turn around a point or axis or on a swivel.

*She **swivelled** her eyes round.*

