

Need another word that means the same as “circus”? Find 2 synonyms and 30 related words for “circus” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Circus” are: genus circus, carnival

Circus as a Noun

Definitions of "Circus" as a noun

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

- *A frenetic disorganized (and often comic) disturbance suggestive of a large public entertainment.*
- *A travelling company of acrobats, clowns, and other entertainers which gives performances, typically in a large tent, in a series of different places.*
- *An arena consisting of an oval or circular area enclosed by tiers of seats and usually covered by a tent.*
- *A large group of people travelling together on the circuit of a particular high-profile activity.*
- *A genus of haws comprising the harriers.*
- *A rounded open space in a town or city where several streets converge.*
- *(antiquity) an open-air stadium for chariot races and gladiatorial games.*
- *An open-air stadium for chariot races and gladiatorial games.*
- *(in ancient Rome) a rounded or oval arena lined with tiers of seats, used for equestrian and other sports and games.*
- *A travelling company of entertainers; including trained animals.*
- *A public scene of frenetic, noisy, or confused activity.*
- *A performance given by a traveling company of acrobats, clowns, and trained animals.*



Synonyms of "Circus" as a noun (2 Words)

- carnival** A traveling show; having sideshows and rides and games of skill etc.
*The culmination of the week long **carnival**.*
- genus circus** A general kind of something.



Usage Examples of "Circus" as a noun

- *The children always love to go to the circus.*
- *A media circus.*
- *I was thrilled by the annual visits of the circus.*
- *A circus elephant.*
- *Piccadilly Circus.*
- *They used the elephants to help put up the circus.*
- *The Circus Maximus.*
- *The Formula One grand prix circus.*
- *He ran away from home to join the circus.*
- *It was so funny it was a circus.*



Associations of "Circus" (30 Words)

acrobat	An entertainer who performs spectacular gymnastic feats.
acting	The performance of a part or role in a drama. <i>The acting president.</i>
artist	A person who practises or performs any of the creative arts, such as a sculptor, film-maker, actor, or dancer. <i>A surgeon who is an artist with the scalpel.</i>
buffoon	A rude or vulgar fool.
carnival	An exciting or riotous mixture of elements. <i>The whole occasion had a carnival atmosphere.</i>
clown	Act as or like a clown. <i>Harvey clowned around pretending to be a dog.</i>
comedian	A professional performer who tells jokes and performs comical acts. <i>He s a real comedian this fellow.</i>

composer	A person who writes music, especially as a professional occupation. <i>Mozart was her favourite composer.</i>
dance	Perform a particular dance or a role in a ballet. <i>I danced her out of the room.</i>
festival	An organized series of concerts, plays, or films, typically one held annually in the same place. <i>Traditional Jewish festivals.</i>
gymnast	An athlete who is skilled in gymnastics.
juggle	Deal with simultaneously. <i>The player juggled the ball.</i>
juggling	Throwing and catching several objects simultaneously.
mime	A theatrical performance using mime. <i>The acting students mimed eating an apple.</i>
minstrel	Celebrate by singing in the style of minstrels. <i>They listened to the minstrels singing songs of knightly prowess.</i>
movie	Films generally or the film industry. <i>They went to a movie every Saturday night.</i>
pantomime	A performance using gestures and body movements without words. <i>A pantomime villain.</i>
parade	A parade ground. <i>A parade of strollers on the mall.</i>
perform	Give a performance of something. <i>Horowitz is performing at Carnegie Hall tonight.</i>
performance	A display of exaggerated behaviour or a process involving a great deal of unnecessary time and effort; a fuss. <i>The hardware is put through tests which assess the performance of the processor.</i>
performer	An entertainer who performs a dramatic or musical work for an audience. <i>A circus performer.</i>
prankster	Someone who plays practical jokes on others.
props	Proper respect. <i>I have to give my props to the governor for the way he handled the problem.</i>
sideshow	A minor show that is part of a larger one (as at the circus). <i>Instruction is not an educational sideshow.</i>
song	A musical composition suggestive of a song. <i>The song of the wind.</i>

- stunt** Perform a stunt or stunts.
*You will **stunt** your growth by building all these muscles.*
- theater** A building where theatrical performances or motion-picture shows can be presented.
*He served in the Vietnam **theater** for three years.*
- trapeze** A horizontal bar hanging by two ropes and free to swing, used by acrobats in a circus.
- tumbler** A movable obstruction in a lock that must be adjusted to a given position (as by a key) before the bolt can be thrown.
- vaudeville** A satirical or topical song with a refrain.
*A stage show with **vaudeville** acts and dancing girls.*

