

Need another word that means the same as “contender”? Find 4 synonyms and 30 related words for “contender” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Contender” are: challenger, competition, competitor, rival**

## **Contender as a Noun**

### **Definitions of "Contender" as a noun**

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

- *The contestant you hope to defeat.*
- *A person or group competing with others to achieve something.*



## Synonyms of "Contender" as a noun (4 Words)

<b>challenger</b>	A person who disputes the truth of or places themselves in opposition to something. <i>The bold <b>challenger</b> of campus orthodoxy.</i>
<b>competition</b>	The person or people over whom one is attempting to establish one's supremacy or superiority; the opposition. <i>A beauty <b>competition</b>.</i>
<b>competitor</b>	The contestant you hope to defeat. <i>Two <b>competitors</b> were banned for taking drugs.</i>
<b>rival</b>	A person or thing that equals another in quality. <i>He had respect for his <b>rivals</b>.</i>

## Usage Examples of "Contender" as a noun

- *The major contenders in the football championship.*
- *A presidential contender.*

## Associations of "Contender" (30 Words)

<b>antagonist</b>	A drug that neutralizes or counteracts the effects of another drug. <i>When bending the elbow the triceps are the <b>antagonist</b>.</i>
<b>antithetical</b>	Connected with, containing, or using the rhetorical device of antithesis. <i>When praising the government Pyrocles invokes the familiar oxymoronic and <b>antithetical</b> mode.</i>
<b>battle</b>	Battle or contend against in or as if in a battle. <i>The <b>battle</b> lasted for several hours.</i>
<b>challenger</b>	A person who makes a rival claim to or threatens someone's hold on a position. <i>The bold <b>challenger</b> of campus orthodoxy.</i>
<b>championship</b>	The position or title of the winner of a championship contest. <i>A <b>championship</b> course.</i>
<b>compete</b>	Compete for something engage in a contest measure oneself against others. <i>No one can <b>compete</b> with his physical prowess.</i>
<b>competition</b>	The act of competing as for profit or a prize. <i><b>Competition</b> with ungulates or condylarths appears to have been the undoing of marsupials in North America.</i>

<b>competitor</b>	An organization or country engaged in commercial or economic competition with others. <i>Two <b>competitors</b> were banned for taking drugs.</i>
<b><u>contend</u></b>	Come to terms with. <i>He <b>contended</b> that Communism had no future.</i>
<b><u>contention</u></b>	An assertion, especially one maintained in argument. <i>The captured territory was the main area of <b>contention</b> between the two countries.</i>
<b><u>contest</u></b>	An occasion on which a winner is selected from among two or more contestants. <i>A tennis <b>contest</b>.</i>
<b>contestant</b>	A person who participates in competitions. <i>An anxious <b>contestant</b> on a television quiz show.</i>
<b><u>counterpart</u></b>	A person or thing that corresponds to or has the same function as another person or thing in a different place or situation. <i>The minister held talks with his French <b>counterpart</b>.</i>
<b>emasculate</b>	Castrate (a man or male animal). <i>In his mind her success <b>emasculated</b> him.</i>
<b><u>enemy</u></b>	A personal enemy. <i><b>Enemy</b> aircraft.</i>
<b>foe</b>	An armed adversary (especially a member of an opposing military force). <i>His work was praised by friends and <b>foes</b> alike.</i>
<b>knead</b>	Make bread or pottery by kneading flour or clay. <i>She <b>kneaded</b> his back.</i>
<b><u>nemesis</u></b>	A downfall caused by an inescapable agent. <i>Injury consistently his <b>nemesis</b> struck him down during the match.</i>
<b>objector</b>	A person who dissents from some established policy. <i><b>Objectors</b> to the housing plans.</i>
<b>opponent</b>	Characterized by active hostility. <i>An <b>opponent</b> of the economic reforms.</i>
<b>oppose</b>	Be against; express opposition to. <i>We <b>oppose</b> the ban on abortion.</i>
<b>opposing</b>	Characterized by active hostility. <i>On the <b>opposing</b> page there were two addresses.</i>
<b>outshine</b>	Shine brighter than. <i>A supernova would <b>outshine</b> all the other stars in its galaxy.</i>

<b>outwit</b>	Deceive by greater ingenuity. <i>Ray had <b>outwitted</b> many an opponent.</i>
<b><u>overtake</u></b>	Catch up with and possibly overtake. <i>Her car overtook a line of vehicles.</i>
<b>rival</b>	Be the rival of be in competition with. <i>He has no serious <b>rival</b> for the job.</i>
<b><u>rivalry</u></b>	Competition for the same objective or for superiority in the same field. <i>There always has been intense <b>rivalry</b> between the clubs.</i>
<b>scourge</b>	Something causing misery or death. <i>Our people did <b>scourge</b> him severely.</i>
<b>unseat</b>	Cause (someone) to fall from a horse or bicycle. <i>Rawhide <b>unseated</b> Kevin Bradley at the first fence.</i>
<b>vie</b>	Compete for something; engage in a contest; measure oneself against others. <i>The athletes were vying for a place in the British team.</i>