

Need another word that means the same as “creep”? Find 55 synonyms and 30 related words for “creep” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Creep” are: cower, crawl, cringe, fawn, grovel, mouse, pussyfoot, sneak, move on all fours, move on hands and knees, pull oneself, inch, edge, slither, slide, squirm, wriggle, writhe, worm, worm one's way, insinuate oneself, steal, slip, slink, sidle, skulk, pad, prowl, tiptoe, tread warily, move stealthily, move furtively, move unnoticed, walk quietly, crawling, creeping, spook, weirdie, weirdo, weirdy, rogue, villain, wretch, reprobate, sycophant, crawler, groveller, truckler, toady, fawner, flatterer, lickspittle, doormat, spaniel**

## Creep as a Noun

### Definitions of "Creep" as a noun

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

- *A person who behaves obsequiously in the hope of advancement.*
- *A slow longitudinal movement or deformation.*
- *Solid food given to young farm animals in order to wean them.*
- *The gradual deformation of a plastic solid under stress.*
- *A pen that is fenced so that young animals can enter but adults cannot.*
- *An opening in a hedge or wall for an animal to pass through.*
- *A slow mode of locomotion on hands and knees or dragging the body.*

- *Gradual bulging of the floor of a mine owing to pressure on the pillars.*
- *Slow steady movement, especially when imperceptible.*
- *A feeding enclosure for young animals, with a long, narrow entrance.*
- *Someone unpleasantly strange or eccentric.*
- *A detestable person.*
- *The tendency of a car with automatic transmission to move when in gear without the accelerator being pressed.*
- *The gradual downward movement of disintegrated rock or soil due to gravity.*



## Synonyms of "Creep" as a noun (21 Words)

### crawl

A very slow movement.  
*She could do the **crawl** and so many other strokes.*

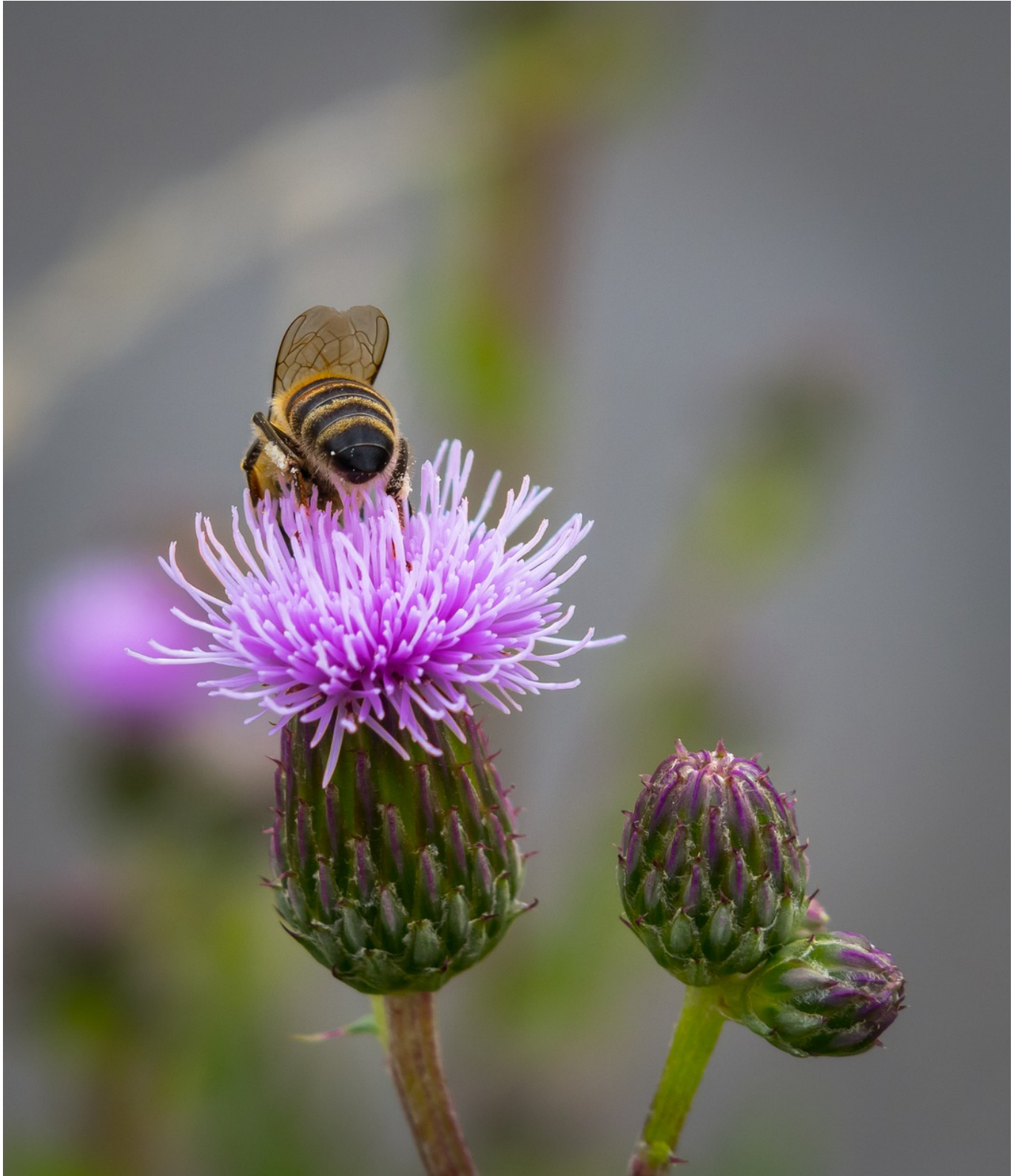
### **crawler**

A thing that crawls or moves at a slow pace, especially an insect.  
*Her pleading tone surprised herself she was no **crawler**.*

### **crawling**

A very slow movement.

- creeping** A slow mode of locomotion on hands and knees or dragging the body.
- doormat** A mat placed outside an exterior door for wiping the shoes before entering.  
*To put up with such treatment you must be either a saint or a **doormat**.*
- fawner** Someone who humbles himself as a sign of respect; who behaves as if he had no self-respect.  
*The consummate **fawner** was able to sway a president with false deference.*
- flatterer** A person who lavishes praise, often insincerely; a sycophant.  
*He is not allowing **flatterers** to deceive him.*
- groveller** Someone who humbles himself as a sign of respect; who behaves as if he had no self-respect.
- lickspittle** A person who behaves obsequiously to those in power.  
*He is a **lickspittle** for the Establishment.*
- reprobate** An unprincipled person.  
*He had to present himself as more of a lovable **reprobate** than a spirit of corruption.*
- rogue** An elephant or other large wild animal living apart from the herd and having savage or destructive tendencies.  
*A **rogue** cop who took the law into his own hands.*
- spaniel** Any of several breeds of small to medium-sized gun dogs with a long silky coat and long frilled ears.  
*Oh stop looking at me with those **spaniel** eyes.*
- sycophant** A person who tries to please someone in order to gain a personal advantage.
- toady** A pufferfish.
- truckler** Someone who humbles himself as a sign of respect; who behaves as if he had no self-respect.
- villain** The principal bad character in a film or work of fiction.  
*A pantomime **villain**.*
- weirdie** Someone unpleasantly strange or eccentric.
- weirdy** Someone unpleasantly strange or eccentric.
- wretch** An unfortunate or unhappy person.  
*Can the poor **wretch**'s corpse tell us anything.*



## Usage Examples of "Creep" as a noun

- *Creep can be useful in slow-moving traffic or when parking.*
- *The traffic moved at a creep.*
- *An attempt to prevent this slow creep of costs.*
- *Low in the wall are creeps, through which ewes gain access to grazing from the pastures behind.*
- *We've started to wean the lambs earlier and to keep them on creep.*
- *Stones and earth slowly slip down the slopes by soil creep.*
- *The mines were unworkable because of creep.*
- *I thought he was a nasty little creep.*
- *Young piglets spend most of their time in the creep.*
- *Metals and ceramics can also exhibit creep.*



## **Creep as a Verb**

### **Definitions of "Creep" as a verb**

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

definitions:

- *Move slowly; in the case of people or animals with the body near the ground.*
- *Show submission or fear.*
- *(of a plastic solid) undergo gradual deformation under stress.*
- *To go stealthily or furtively.*
- *(of a plant) grow along the ground or other surface by means of extending stems or branches.*
- *Move slowly and carefully in order to avoid being heard or noticed.*
- *Grow or spread, often in such a way as to cover (a surface).*
- *(of a thing) move very slowly and inexorably.*



## Synonyms of "Creep" as a verb (34 Words)

[cower](#)

Show submission or fear.

Children **cowered** in terror as the shoot out erupted.

<b><u>crawl</u></b>	Swim using the crawl. <i>They <b>crawled</b> from under the table.</i>
<b><u>cringe</u></b>	Bend one's head and body in fear or apprehension or in a servile manner. <i>He <b>cringed</b> away from the blow.</i>
<b>edge</b>	Ski with one's weight on the edges of one's skis. <i><b>Edge</b> the tablecloth with embroidery.</i>
<b>fawn</b>	Have fawns. <i>The forest was closed for hunting when the does were <b>fawning</b>.</i>
<b>grovel</b>	Lie or crawl abjectly on the ground with one's face downwards. <i>He <b>grovelled</b> at George's feet.</i>
<b>inch</b>	Advance slowly as if by inches. <i>Spain's conservatives are <b>inching</b> ahead.</i>
<b>insinuate oneself</b>	Introduce or insert (oneself) in a subtle manner.
<b>mouse</b>	Manipulate the mouse of a computer. <i>Simply <b>mouse</b> over any item on the list.</i>
<b>move furtively</b>	Dispose of by selling.
<b>move on all fours</b>	Arouse sympathy or compassion in.
<b>move on hands and knees</b>	Live one's life in a specified environment.
<b>move stealthily</b>	Change residence, affiliation, or place of employment.
<b>move unnoticed</b>	Give an incentive for action.
<b>pad</b>	Put on protective pads in order to play a sport especially cricket. <i>Don't <b>pad</b> out your answer to make it seem impressive.</i>
<b>prowl</b>	(of a person or animal) move about restlessly and stealthily, especially in search of prey. <i>The suspicious stranger <b>prowls</b> the streets of the town.</i>
<b>pull oneself</b>	Take away.
<b>pussyfoot</b>	Move stealthily or warily. <i>They make a great show of <b>pussyfooting</b> through the greenery.</i>
<b>sidle</b>	Move unobtrusively or furtively. <i>The young man began to <b>sidle</b> near the pretty girl sitting on the log.</i>
<b>skulk</b>	Shirk one's duties or responsibilities. <i>He spent most of his time <b>skulking</b> about the corridors.</i>
<b><u>slide</u></b>	Change gradually to a worse condition or lower level. <i>I quickly <b>slid</b> into a seat at the back of the hall.</i>



<b>slink</b>	Come or go unobtrusively or furtively. <i>The fox came <b>slinking</b> through the bracken.</i>
<b>slip</b>	Disengage (a ship's anchor) when leaving a port in haste. <i>I <b>slipped</b> him a tenner to keep quiet.</i>
<b><u>slither</u></b>	To pass or move unobtrusively or smoothly. <i>We <b>slithered</b> down a snowy mountain track.</i>
<b><u>sneak</u></b>	Put, bring, or take in a secretive or furtive manner. <i>Stead of <b>sneaking</b> around spying on the neighbor s house.</i>
<b><u>squirm</u></b>	Wriggle or twist the body from side to side, especially as a result of nervousness or discomfort. <i>He looked uncomfortable and <b>squirmed</b> in his chair.</i>
<b>steal</b>	Move stealthily. <i>He claims he can <b>steal</b> a hundred bases this season.</i>
<b>tiptoe</b>	Walk quietly and carefully with one's heels raised and one's weight on the balls of the feet. <i>He admits he has never been one to <b>tiptoe</b> around controversial issues.</i>
<b>tread warily</b>	Apply (the tread) to a tire.
<b>walk quietly</b>	Be or act in association with.
<b>worm</b>	Treat an animal with a preparation designed to expel parasitic worms. <i>I <b>wormed</b> her over a course of three weeks.</i>
<b>worm one's way</b>	To move in a twisting or contorted motion, (especially when struggling).
<b>wriggle</b>	Move in a particular direction with wriggling movements. <i>The child tried to <b>wriggle</b> free from his aunt s embrace.</i>
<b><u>writhe</u></b>	Respond with great emotional or physical discomfort to (an intense or unpleasant feeling or thought). <i>The prisoner <b>writhe</b>d in discomfort.</i>



## Usage Examples of "Creep" as a verb

- *He crept downstairs, hardly making any noise.*
- *The fog was creeping up from the marsh.*
- *Thorny roses crept up the dull gray walls.*



## Associations of "Creep" (30 Words)

<b>apology</b>	An expression of regret at having caused trouble for someone. <i>We owe you an <b>apology</b>.</i>
<b>boggle</b>	(of a person) hesitate to do or accept. <i>The mind <b>boggles</b> at the spectacle.</i>
<b><u>cower</u></b>	Crouch down in fear. <i>Children <b>cowered</b> in terror as the shoot out erupted.</i>
<b><u>crawl</u></b>	Swim by doing the crawl. <i>The traffic advanced at a <b>crawl</b>.</i>
<b><u>cringe</u></b>	Draw back, as with fear or pain. <i>I <b>cringed</b> at the fellow's stupidity.</i>
<b>crouch</b>	A crouching stance or posture. <i>Leo was <b>crouched</b> before the fire.</i>
<b>duck</b>	Flesh of a duck domestic or wild. <i>Before he could <b>duck</b> another stone struck him.</i>
<b><u>flinch</u></b>	An act of flinching. <i>She <b>flinched</b> when they showed the slaughtering of the calf.</i>
<b><u>furtive</u></b>	Attempting to avoid notice or attention, typically because of guilt or a belief that discovery would lead to trouble; secretive. <i>They spent a <b>furtive</b> day together.</i>
<b>grovel</b>	Act in an obsequious way in order to obtain someone's forgiveness or favour. <i>They criticized leaders who <b>grovelled</b> to foreign patrons.</i>
<b>huddle</b>	Crouch or curl up. <i>They stood together in a <b>huddle</b> whispering to each other.</i>
<b><u>insidious</u></b>	Intended to entrap. <i>Glaucoma is an <b>insidious</b> disease.</i>
<b>lurk</b>	Wait in hiding to attack. <i>You'll soon learn the <b>lurks</b> and perks.</i>
<b><u>posture</u></b>	Assume a posture as for artistic purposes. <i>He took ballet lessons to improve his <b>posture</b>.</i>
<b>purloin</b>	Make off with belongings of others. <i>He must have managed to <b>purloin</b> a copy of the key.</i>
<b><u>rebound</u></b>	The act of securing possession of the rebounding basketball after a missed shot. <i>They revealed a big <b>rebound</b> in profits for last year.</i>

<b>recoil</b>	The action of recoiling. <i>His body jerked with the <b>recoil</b> of the rifle.</i>
<b>say</b>	The chance to speak. <i>The clock <b>says</b> ten past two.</i>
<b>secretly</b>	In a secret way; without others knowing. <i>I was embarrassed but <b>secretly</b> pleased too.</i>
<b>shrink</b>	(of clothes or material) become smaller as a result of being immersed in water. <i>Can you <b>shrink</b> this image.</i>
<b>silently</b>	Without speaking. <i>He <b>silently</b> cursed himself for his actions.</i>
<b>sit</b>	Be or remain in a particular position or state. <i>When does the court of law <b>sit</b>.</i>
<b>sneak</b>	Someone who prowls or sneaks about usually with unlawful intentions. <i>He was branded a prying <b>sneak</b> for eavesdropping on intimate conversation.</i>
<b>snitch</b>	Take by theft. <i>She wouldn't tell who <b>snitched</b> on me.</i>
<b>squat</b>	An exercise in which a person squats down and rises again while holding a barbell across one's shoulders. <i>A basement room in a North London <b>squat</b>.</i>
<b>stealthily</b>	In a stealthy manner. <i>We need to move <b>stealthily</b> and look inconspicuous.</i>
<b>stealthy</b>	Marked by quiet and caution and secrecy; taking pains to avoid being observed. <i><b>Stealthy</b> footsteps.</i>
<b>step</b>	The distance covered by a step. <i>The police took <b>steps</b> to reduce crime.</i>
<b>surreptitious</b>	Kept secret, especially because it would not be approved of. <i><b>Surreptitious</b> mobilization of troops.</i>
<b>wince</b>	The facial expression of sudden pain. <i>He <b>wincing</b> at the disgust in her voice.</i>

