

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. <i>To put up with such treatment you must be either a saint or a doormat.</i>
fawner	Someone who humbles himself as a sign of respect; who behaves as if he had no self-respect. <i>The consummate fawner was able to sway a president with false deference.</i>
flatterer	A person who lavishes praise, often insincerely; a sycophant. <i>He is not allowing flatterers to deceive him.</i>
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. <i>He is a lickspittle for the Establishment.</i>
reprobate	An unprincipled person. <i>He had to present himself as more of a lovable reprobate than a spirit of corruption.</i>
rogue	An elephant or other large wild animal living apart from the herd and having savage or destructive tendencies. <i>A rogue cop who took the law into his own hands.</i>
spaniel	Any of several breeds of small to medium-sized gun dogs with a long silky coat and long frilled ears. <i>Oh stop looking at me with those spaniel eyes.</i>
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. <i>A pantomime villain.</i>
weirdie	Someone unpleasantly strange or eccentric.
weirdy	Someone unpleasantly strange or eccentric.
wretch	An unfortunate or unhappy person. <i>Can the poor wretch's corpse tell us anything.</i>



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.

crawl

Swim using the crawl.

*They **crawled** from under the table.*

cringe

Bend one's head and body in fear or apprehension or in a servile manner.

*He **cringed** away from the blow.*

edge

Ski with one's weight on the edges of one's skis.

***Edge** the tablecloth with embroidery.*

fawn

Have fawns.

*The forest was closed for hunting when the does were **fawning**.*

grovel

Lie or crawl abjectly on the ground with one's face downwards.

*He **grovelled** at George's feet.*

inch

Advance slowly as if by inches.

*Spain's conservatives are **inching** ahead.*

insinuate oneself

Introduce or insert (oneself) in a subtle manner.

mouse

Manipulate the mouse of a computer.

*Simply **mouse** over any item on the list.*

move furtively

Dispose of by selling.

move on all fours

Arouse sympathy or compassion in.

move on hands and knees

Live one's life in a specified environment.

move stealthily

Change residence, affiliation, or place of employment.

move unnoticed

Give an incentive for action.

pad

Put on protective pads in order to play a sport especially cricket.

*Don't **pad** out your answer to make it seem impressive.*

prowl

(of a person or animal) move about restlessly and stealthily, especially in search of prey.

*The suspicious stranger **prowls** the streets of the town.*

pull oneself

Take away.

pussyfoot

Move stealthily or warily.

*They make a great show of **pussyfooting** through the greenery.*

sidle

Move unobtrusively or furtively.

*The young man began to **sidle** near the pretty girl sitting on the log.*

skulk

Shirk one's duties or responsibilities.

*He spent most of his time **skulking** about the corridors.*

slide

Change gradually to a worse condition or lower level.

*I quickly **slid** into a seat at the back of the hall.*

slink	Come or go unobtrusively or furtively. <i>The fox came slinking through the bracken.</i>
slip	Disengage (a ship's anchor) when leaving a port in haste. <i>I slipped him a tenner to keep quiet.</i>
<u>slither</u>	To pass or move unobtrusively or smoothly. <i>We slithered down a snowy mountain track.</i>
<u>sneak</u>	Put, bring, or take in a secretive or furtive manner. <i>Stead of sneaking around spying on the neighbor's house.</i>
<u>squirm</u>	Wriggle or twist the body from side to side, especially as a result of nervousness or discomfort. <i>He looked uncomfortable and squirmed in his chair.</i>
steal	Move stealthily. <i>He claims he can steal a hundred bases this season.</i>
tiptoe	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 tiptoe around controversial issues.</i>
tread warily	Apply (the tread) to a tire.
walk quietly	Be or act in association with.
worm	Treat an animal with a preparation designed to expel parasitic worms. <i>I wormed her over a course of three weeks.</i>
worm one's way	To move in a twisting or contorted motion, (especially when struggling).
wriggle	Move in a particular direction with wriggling movements. <i>The child tried to wriggle free from his aunt's embrace.</i>
<u>writhe</u>	Respond with great emotional or physical discomfort to (an intense or unpleasant feeling or thought). <i>The prisoner writhed 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)

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

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

