

Need another word that means the same as “critic”? Find 20 synonyms and 30 related words for “critic” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Critic” are: detractor, censurer, attacker, carper, backbiter, caviller, vilifier, traducer, disparager, denigrator, commentator, observer, monitor, pundit, expert, authority, arbiter, interpreter, exponent, expounder**

## Critic as a Noun

### Definitions of "Critic" as a noun

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

- *A person who is professionally engaged in the analysis and interpretation of works of art.*
- *A person who judges the merits of literary or artistic works, especially one who does so professionally.*
- *Anyone who expresses a reasoned judgment of something.*
- *Someone who frequently finds fault or makes harsh and unfair judgments.*
- *A person who expresses an unfavourable opinion of something.*



## Synonyms of "Critic" as a noun (20 Words)

### arbiter

A person whose views or actions have influence in a particular sphere.  
*The critic was considered to be an **arbiter** of modern literature.*

<b>attacker</b>	Someone who attacks. <i>Her <b>attacker</b> then ran off.</i>
<b>authority</b>	A person with extensive or specialized knowledge about a subject; an expert. <i>He has the natural <b>authority</b> of one who is used to being obeyed.</i>
<b>backbiter</b>	One who attacks the reputation of another by slander or libel.
<b>carper</b>	The lean flesh of a fish that is often farmed; can be baked or braised.
<b>caviller</b>	A disputant who quibbles; someone who raises annoying petty objections.
<b>censurer</b>	A periodic count of the population.
<b>commentator</b>	A writer who reports and analyzes events of the day. <i>The move electrified spectators and <b>commentators</b> alike.</i>
<b>denigrator</b>	A person who criticizes someone or something unfairly. <i><b>Denigrators</b> of the Church.</i>
<b>detractor</b>	A person who disparages someone or something. <i>The island say its <b>detractors</b> has been devoured by development.</i>
<b>disparager</b>	A person who criticizes someone as being of little worth. <i>He is shrewder than his <b>disparagers</b> would credit.</i>
<b>expert</b>	A person with special knowledge or ability who performs skillfully. <i>A financial <b>expert</b>.</i>
<b>exponent</b>	A linguistic unit that realizes another, more abstract unit. <i>An early <b>exponent</b> of the teachings of Thomas Aquinas.</i>
<b>expounder</b>	A person who explains.
<b>interpreter</b>	An advocate who represents someone else's policy or purpose. <i>She was famous as an <b>interpreter</b> of Shakespearean roles.</i>
<b>monitor</b>	A person operating a monitor. <i>I was amazed at the quality of the sound coming from the <b>monitors</b>.</i>
<b>observer</b>	A person who follows events closely and comments publicly on them. <i>Some <b>observers</b> expect interest rates to rise.</i>
<b>pundit</b>	Someone who has been admitted to membership in a scholarly field. <i>Political <b>pundits</b> were tipping him for promotion.</i>
<b>traducer</b>	One who attacks the reputation of another by slander or libel.
<b>vilifier</b>	One who attacks the reputation of another by slander or libel.





## Usage Examples of "Critic" as a noun

- *Critics of the new legislation say it is too broad.*
- *A theatre critic.*



## Associations of "Critic" (30 Words)

<b>admonition</b>	Cautionary advice about something imminent (especially imminent danger or other unpleasantness). <i>He received numerous <b>admonitions</b> for his behaviour.</i>
<a href="#"><u>aesthete</u></a>	A person who is appreciative of and sensitive to art and beauty.
<b>agnostic</b>	Of or pertaining to an agnostic or agnosticism. <i>Our industry is moving towards a device <b>agnostic</b> model.</i>
<b>cynic</b>	A member of a group of ancient Greek philosophers who advocated the doctrine that virtue is the only good and that the essence of virtue is self-control. <i>Some <b>cynics</b> thought that the controversy was all a publicity stunt.</i>
<a href="#"><u>cynical</u></a>	Believing the worst of human nature and motives; having a sneering disbelief in e.g. selflessness of others. <i>He gave a <b>cynical</b> laugh.</i>



<b>denigration</b>	The act of expressing disapproval (especially of yourself). <i>I witnessed the <b>denigration</b> of anyone who failed to toe the line.</i>
<b>despair</b>	The feeling that everything is wrong and nothing will turn out well. <i>In <b>despair</b> I hit the bottle.</i>
<b>detractor</b>	A person who disparages someone or something. <i>The island say its <b>detractors</b> has been devoured by development.</i>
<b>disagree</b>	Be different from one another. <i>She <b>disagrees</b> with her husband on many questions.</i>
<b>disparagement</b>	A communication that belittles somebody or something.
<b>dissatisfied</b>	Not content or happy with something. <i><b>Dissatisfied</b> customers.</i>
<b>freethinker</b>	A person who rejects religion.
<b>futility</b>	Pointlessness or uselessness. <i>The horror and <b>futility</b> of war.</i>
<b>hardened</b>	Used of persons emotionally hardened. <i><b>Hardened</b> criminals.</i>
<b>hopelessness</b>	The despair you feel when you have abandoned hope of comfort or success. <i>I was overcome by the <b>hopelessness</b> of the situation.</i>
<b>incredulity</b>	The state of being unwilling or unable to believe something. <i>He stared down the street in <b>incredulity</b>.</i>
<b>incredulous</b>	(of a person or their manner) unwilling or unable to believe something. <i>An <b>incredulous</b> gasp.</i>
<b>malcontent</b>	A person who is discontented or disgusted. <i>The <b>malcontent</b> generals saw their role as leaders of this counter revolution.</i>
<b>misanthropy</b>	A disposition to dislike and mistrust other people. <i>The streak of <b>misanthropy</b> in his nature.</i>
<b>negative</b>	A negative photographic image made on film or specially prepared glass from which positive prints may be made. <i>Ran a <b>negative</b> campaign.</i>
<b>nihilism</b>	The belief that nothing in the world has a real existence.
<b>pessimism</b>	A tendency to see the worst aspect of things or believe that the worst will happen. <i>The dispute cast an air of deep <b>pessimism</b> over the future of the peace talks.</i>

<b><u>pessimist</u></b>	A person who believes that this world is as bad as it could be or that evil will ultimately prevail over good. <i>The <b>pessimists</b> point to ways in which life has deteriorated.</i>
<b>regret</b>	Express with regret. <i>She expressed her <b>regret</b> at Virginia s death.</i>
<b>sceptic</b>	A person inclined to question or doubt accepted opinions.
<b>sceptical</b>	Relating to the theory that certain knowledge is impossible. <i>The public were deeply <b>sceptical</b> about some of the proposals.</i>
<b>skeptic</b>	Someone who habitually doubts accepted beliefs.
<b><u>skeptical</u></b>	Denying or questioning the tenets of especially a religion. <i>A <b>skeptical</b> listener.</i>
<b>skepticism</b>	The disbelief in any claims of ultimate knowledge.
<b>unfavorably</b>	Showing disapproval; in a disparaging way. <i>He reviewed the play <b>unfavorably</b>.</i>

