

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.*

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

admonition	Cautionary advice about something imminent (especially imminent danger or other unpleasantness). <i>He received numerous admonitions for his behaviour.</i>
aesthete	A person who is appreciative of and sensitive to art and beauty.
agnostic	Of or pertaining to an agnostic or agnosticism. <i>Our industry is moving towards a device agnostic model.</i>
cynic	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 cynics thought that the controversy was all a publicity stunt.</i>
cynical	Believing the worst of human nature and motives; having a sneering disbelief in e.g. selflessness of others. <i>He gave a cynical laugh.</i>

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

pessimist

A person who believes that this world is as bad as it could be or that evil will ultimately prevail over good.

*The **pessimists** point to ways in which life has deteriorated.*

regret

Express with regret.

*She expressed her **regret** at Virginia's death.*

sceptic

A person inclined to question or doubt accepted opinions.

sceptical

Relating to the theory that certain knowledge is impossible.

*The public were deeply **sceptical** about some of the proposals.*

skeptic

Someone who habitually doubts accepted beliefs.

skeptical

Denying or questioning the tenets of especially a religion.

*A **skeptical** listener.*

skepticism

The disbelief in any claims of ultimate knowledge.

unfavorably

Showing disapproval; in a disparaging way.

*He reviewed the play **unfavorably**.*

