

Need another word that means the same as “dabble”? Find 24 synonyms and 30 related words for “dabble” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Dabble” are: play around, smatter, paddle, splash around, splash, dip, wet, moisten, dampen, immerse, trail, toy with, dip into, scratch the surface of, flirt with, tinker with, potter about with, potter around with, potter round with, trifle with, play with, fiddle with, dally with, have a smattering of**

## Dabble as a Verb

### Definitions of "Dabble" as a verb

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

- *Bob forward and under so as to feed off the bottom of a body of water.*
- *Take part in an activity in a casual or superficial way.*
- *Immerse (one's hands or feet) partially in water and move them around gently.*
- *(of a duck or other waterbird) move the bill around in shallow water while feeding.*
- *Dip a foot or hand briefly into a liquid.*
- *Work with in an amateurish manner.*
- *Play in or as if in water, as of small children.*



## Synonyms of "Dabble" as a verb (24 Words)

<b>dally with</b>	Behave carelessly or indifferently.
<b><u>dampen</u></b>	Lessen in force or effect. <i>Slider switches on the mixers can <b>dampen</b> the drums.</i>
<b>dip</b>	Dip into a liquid while eating. <i>The president's popularity has <b>dipped</b>.</i>
<b>dip into</b>	Dip into a liquid.
<b>fiddle with</b>	Play around with or alter or falsify, usually secretly or dishonestly.
<b>flirt with</b>	Behave carelessly or indifferently.
<b>have a smattering of</b>	Get something; come into possession of.
<b>immerse</b>	Cause to be immersed. <i>He <b>immersed</b> himself into his studies.</i>
<b>moisten</b>	Moisten with fine drops. <i>The dew <b>moistened</b> the meadows.</i>

<b>paddle</b>	Beat someone with a paddle as a punishment. <i>He was teaching trainees to <b>paddle</b> canoes.</i>
<b>play around</b>	Replay (as a melody).
<b>play with</b>	Perform on a stage or theater.
<b>potter about with</b>	Move around aimlessly.
<b>potter around with</b>	Work lightly.
<b>potter round with</b>	Move around aimlessly.
<b>scratch the surface of</b>	Cut the surface of; wear away the surface of.
<b>smatter</b>	Speak with spotty or superficial knowledge. <i>She <b>smatters</b> Russian.</i>
<b>splash</b>	Make wet by splashing. <i>A tear fell and <b>splashed</b> on to the pillow.</i>
<b>splash around</b>	Make a splashing sound.
<b>tinker with</b>	Try to fix or mend.
<b>toy with</b>	Engage in an activity as if it were a game rather than take it seriously.
<b><u>trail</u></b>	Draw or be drawn along behind someone or something. <i>The bank s plans have been extensively <b>trailed</b>.</i>
<b>trifle with</b>	Waste time; spend one's time idly or inefficiently.
<b><u>wet</u></b>	Cause to become wet. <i>She said she d <b>wet</b> the tea immediately because they must be parched.</i>



## Usage Examples of "Dabble" as a verb

- *They dabbled their feet in the rock pools.*
- *She dabbles in astronomy.*
- *Teal dabble in the shallows.*
- *He dabbled in left-wing politics.*



## Associations of "Dabble" (30 Words)

<b>always</b>	Without variation or change, in every case. <i>He <b>always</b> arrives on time.</i>
<b><u>amplitude</u></b>	The maximum difference of an alternating electric current or potential from the average value. <i>The detection of signals only a few microvolts in <b>amplitude</b>.</i>
<b>carelessly</b>	In a rakish manner. <i>Roadsides are full of litter thrown <b>carelessly</b> by passers by.</i>
<b>dip</b>	A candle that is made by repeated dipping in a pool of wax or tallow. <i>The big hedge at the bottom of the <b>dip</b>.</i>
<b><u>ever</u></b>	At all times all the time and on every occasion. <i>Don t you <b>ever</b> regret giving up all that money.</i>
<b><u>frequency</u></b>	The number of occurrences within a given time period. <i>An increase in the <b>frequency</b> of accidents due to increased overtime.</i>
<b><u>frequently</u></b>	Many times at short intervals. <i>They go abroad <b>frequently</b>.</i>

<b>hardly</b>	Only with great difficulty. <i>I can <b>hardly</b> hear what she is saying.</i>
<b>incidence</b>	The relative frequency of occurrence of something. <i>An increased <b>incidence</b> of cancer.</i>
<b>infrequently</b>	Not many times. <i>A storage area for <b>infrequently</b> used items.</i>
<b>intermittently</b>	In an intermittent manner. <i>He has worked <b>intermittently</b> in a variety of jobs.</i>
<b>modulated</b>	Changed or adjusted in pitch, tone, or volume.
<b>occasional</b>	Occurring, appearing, or done infrequently and irregularly. <i>An <b>occasional</b> table.</i>
<b>occasionally</b>	At infrequent or irregular intervals; now and then. <i>Very <b>occasionally</b> the condition can result in death.</i>
<b>oft</b>	Many times at short intervals. <i>We <b>often</b> met over a cup of coffee.</i>
<b>often</b>	Many times at short intervals. <i>Vocabulary <b>often</b> reflects social standing.</i>
<b>oftentimes</b>	Many times at short intervals. <i>I would <b>oftentimes</b> go there.</i>
<b>periodically</b>	At regularly occurring intervals. <i>I will <b>periodically</b> check on your progress.</i>
<b>quite</b>	To a degree (not used with a negative). <i>You've no intention of coming back I'm <b>quite</b> sorry but no I have not.</i>
<b>rare</b>	(of an event, situation, or condition) not occurring very often. <i>Total eclipses are <b>rare</b> events.</i>
<b>rarely</b>	To an unusual degree; exceptionally. <i>I <b>rarely</b> drive above 50 mph.</i>
<b>rareness</b>	Noteworthy scarcity.
<b>rarity</b>	Something unusual — perhaps worthy of collecting. <i>The <b>rarity</b> of the condition.</i>
<b>recidivism</b>	The tendency of a convicted criminal to reoffend. <i>The prison has succeeded in reducing <b>recidivism</b>.</i>
<b>seldom</b>	Not common; infrequent. <i>Islay is <b>seldom</b> visited by tourists.</i>
<b>smatter</b>	To talk foolishly. <i>She <b>smatters</b> Russian.</i>

**sometimes** On certain occasions or in certain cases but not always.  
***Sometimes** I want to do things on my own.*

**sparse** Not dense.  
*Areas of **sparse** population.*

**sporadically** In a sporadic manner.  
*The comedy is only **sporadically** funny.*

**successively** In proper order or sequence.  
*He served **successively** as a major and a lieutenant colonel.*

