

Need another word that means the same as “deceit”? Find 35 synonyms and 30 related words for “deceit” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Deceit” are: deception, misrepresentation, dissembling, dissimulation, fraudulence, deceitfulness, duplicity, double-dealing, fraud, cheating, trickery, duping, chicanery, underhandedness, deviousness, slyness, cunning, craftiness, craft, wiliness, artfulness, guile, bluff, bluffing, lying, pretence, artifice, treachery, sham, imposture, hoax, fake, blind, wile, trojan horse

Deceit as a Noun

Definitions of "Deceit" as a noun

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

- *The action or practice of deceiving someone by concealing or misrepresenting the truth.*
- *The act of deceiving.*
- *The quality of being fraudulent.*
- *A misleading falsehood.*



Synonyms of "Deceit" as a noun (35 Words)

artfulness	The quality of being adroit in taking unfair advantage.
<u>artifice</u>	Clever or cunning devices or expedients, especially as used to trick or deceive others. <i>An industry dominated by artifice.</i>
<u>blind</u>	An awning over a shop window. <i>They had just moved in and had not put up blinds yet.</i>
bluff	The act of bluffing in poker deception by a false show of confidence in the strength of your cards. <i>His game of bluff.</i>
bluffing	The act of bluffing in poker deception by a false show of confidence in the strength of your cards.
cheating	A deception for profit to yourself.
<u>chicanery</u>	The use of deception or subterfuge to achieve one's purpose. <i>Storylines packed with political chicanery.</i>

<u>craft</u>	An aircraft or spaceship. <i>The craft of cobbling.</i>
craftiness	The quality of being crafty.
<u>cunning</u>	Shrewdness as demonstrated by being skilled in deception. <i>What resources of energy and cunning it took just to survive.</i>
deceitfulness	The quality of being crafty.
deception	The action of deceiving someone. <i>A range of elaborate deceptions.</i>
deviousness	The quality of being deceitful and underhanded.
dissembling	The act of deceiving.
dissimulation	The act of deceiving. <i>An attempt at dissimulation.</i>
double-dealing	Acting in bad faith; deception by pretending to entertain one set of intentions while acting under the influence of another.
duping	A person who is tricked or swindled.
<u>duplicity</u>	The state of being double. <i>The president was accused of duplicity in his dealings with Congress.</i>
fake	A deceptive move made by a football player. <i>Fakes of Old Masters.</i>
fraud	Something intended to deceive; deliberate trickery intended to gain an advantage. <i>Prosecutions for social security frauds.</i>
fraudulence	The quality of being fraudulent.
guile	Shrewdness as demonstrated by being skilled in deception. <i>He used all his guile and guts to free himself from the muddle he was in.</i>
<u>hoax</u>	Something intended to deceive; deliberate trickery intended to gain an advantage. <i>A hoax 999 call.</i>
imposture	Pretending to be another person. <i>In a day and a night of violence and imposture William Bentley also succeeds in capturing a smuggler.</i>
lying	A statement that deviates from or perverts the truth.
<u>misrepresentation</u>	A misleading falsehood. <i>A gross misrepresentation of the situation.</i>
pretence	The practice of inventing imaginary situations in play. <i>His anger is masked by a pretence that all is well.</i>

sham

A person who pretends to be someone or something they are not.
*George abhorred **sham** and affectation.*

slyness

Shrewdness as demonstrated by being skilled in deception.

treachery

Betrayal of trust.
*Many died because of his **treachery**.*

trickery

The use of tricks to deceive someone (usually to extract money from them).
*The dealer resorted to **trickery**.*

trojan horse

A padded gymnastic apparatus on legs.

underhandedness

Secretive or dishonest behaviour.
*He rules with a combination of threats and **underhandedness**.*

wile

The use of tricks to deceive someone (usually to extract money from them).
*She didn't employ any feminine **wiles** to capture his attention.*

wiliness

A person who lacks confidence, is irresolute and wishy-washy.



Usage Examples of "Deceit" as a noun

- *A series of lies and deceptions.*
- *A web of deceit.*
- *Hypocrisy and deceit were anathema to her.*



Associations of "Deceit" (30 Words)

baloney

Pretentious or silly talk or writing.
*I don't buy it it's all a load of **baloney**.*

betrayal

An act of deliberate betrayal.
*The **betrayal** by the king by his daughter.*

cheating

A deception for profit to yourself.

chicanery

The use of deception or subterfuge to achieve one's purpose.
*Storylines packed with political **chicanery**.*

cozen	Cheat or trick. <i>He cozened the money out of the old man.</i>
deceive	Cause someone to believe an untruth. <i>The area may seem to offer nothing of interest but don't be deceived.</i>
deception	The action of deceiving someone. <i>A range of elaborate deceptions.</i>
<u>deceptive</u>	Designed to deceive or mislead either deliberately or inadvertently. <i>The deceptive calm in the eye of the storm.</i>
delude	Be false to; be dishonest with. <i>Too many theorists have deluded the public.</i>
dissimulation	A flock of small birds. <i>His audience consisted of a dissimulation of birds.</i>
<u>duplicity</u>	Deceitfulness. <i>The president was accused of duplicity in his dealings with Congress.</i>
faithless	Having the character of, or characteristic of, a traitor. <i>They were ungodly and faithless.</i>
feint	Make a deceptive or distracting movement, especially during a fight. <i>The midfielder feinted to shoot.</i>
fraud	Wrongful or criminal deception intended to result in financial or personal gain. <i>Mediums exposed as tricksters and frauds.</i>
fraudulence	Something intended to deceive; deliberate trickery intended to gain an advantage.
fraudulent	Intended to deceive – S.T. Coleridge. <i>A fraudulent scheme to escape paying taxes.</i>
<u>hoax</u>	Subject to a playful hoax or joke. <i>A hoax 999 call.</i>
humbug	Deceptive or false talk or behaviour. <i>Poor Dave is easily humbugged.</i>
liar	A person who has lied or who lies repeatedly. <i>The man was a notorious liar.</i>
lie	The way direction or position in which something lies. <i>His body lies in a crypt.</i>
perfidious	Deceitful and untrustworthy. <i>The perfidious Judas.</i>
perfidy	Betrayal of a trust. <i>Hapsburg perfidy.</i>

phony	A person who professes beliefs and opinions that he or she does not hold in order to conceal his or her real feelings or motives.
<u>rebel</u>	Take part in a rebellion renounce a former allegiance. <i>Tory rebels.</i>
<u>renegade</u>	Become a renegade. <i>An agent who later turns out to be a renegade.</i>
scam	Swindle. <i>A guy that scams old pensioners out of their savings.</i>
swindle	A fraudulent scheme or action. <i>He is mixed up in a 10 million insurance swindle.</i>
treacherous	Tending to betray especially having a treacherous character as attributed to the Carthaginians by the Romans. <i>Treacherous winding roads.</i>
trick	A clever or particular way of doing something. <i>A trick knee.</i>
<u>trickery</u>	The use of tricks to deceive someone (usually to extract money from them). <i>The dealer resorted to trickery.</i>

