

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

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The synonyms of "Decompose" are: break down, break up, decay, disintegrate, molder, moulder, rot, putrefy, go bad, go off, spoil, fester, perish, deteriorate, degrade, break apart, fall apart, fragment, crumble, dissolve

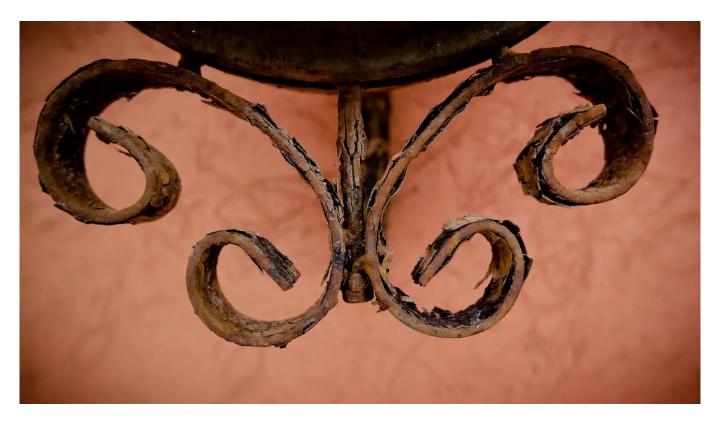
Decompose as a Verb

Definitions of "Decompose" as a verb

According to the Oxford Dictionary of English, "decompose" as a verb can have the following definitions:

- (with reference to a dead body or other organic matter) make or become rotten; decay or cause to decay.
- Lose a stored charge, magnetic flux, or current.
- Break down.
- Express (a number or function) as a combination of simpler components.
- (with reference to a chemical compound) break down or cause to break down into component elements or simpler constituents.
- Separate (substances) into constituent elements or parts.





Synonyms of "Decompose" as a verb (20 Words)

break apart Fall sharply.

break down Break down literally or metaphorically.

break up Fall sharply.

Fall into decay or ruin. crumble The cookies crumbled.

Undergo decay or decomposition. decay

The moral authority of the party was **decay**ing.

Wear down (rock) and cause it to disintegrate. degrade The bacteria will **degrade** hydrocarbons.

Grow worse. deteriorate

If the situation continues to **deteriorate** *the consequences could be severe.*

Lose strength or cohesion and gradually fail.

disintegrate It has become a relatively easy matter to **disintegrate** almost any atom.

Declare void.

dissolve She suddenly **dissolve**d into floods of tears.

Come under, be classified or included. fall apart



fester (of a wound or sore) become septic; suppurate.

I developed a tropical sore that **fester**ed badly.

fragmentBreak or cause to break into fragments.

Management has tighter control through **fragment**ing the tasks.

go bad Have a particular form.

go off Pass, fare, or elapse; of a certain state of affairs or action.

molder Break down.

Break down.

Break down.

The books if any are ever printed will **moulder** in the warehouse.

perishSuffer complete ruin or destruction.
The children **perish**ed in the fire.

putrefyBecome putrid; decay with an offensive smell.

The body was beginning to **putrefy**.

Gradually deteriorate, especially through neglect.

The education system has been allowed to rot.

(of food) become unfit for eating

spoil (of food) become unfit for eating.

He is **spoil**ing for a fight.







Usage Examples of "Decompose" as a verb

- In how many ways can one decompose a number as a sum of squares?
- The body had begun to decompose.
- Dead plant matter can be completely decomposed by microorganisms.
- The bodies decomposed in the heat.
- Many chemicals decompose rapidly under high temperature.
- Living organisms are used to decompose water into hydrogen and oxygen.



Associations of "Decompose" (30 Words)

belittle

Dismiss (someone or something) as unimportant. She **belittle**d Amy s riding skills whenever she could.



corpseCause (an actor) to forget their lines and start laughing.

One singer ad libbed and **corpse**d his colleagues on stage.

corrupt Corrupt morally or by intemperance or sensuality. *The corrupt* ing smell of death.

corruptive Tending to corrupt or pervert.

An inferior state resulting from the process of decaying.

decay

Fluoride heals small spots of decay.

Separation of a substance into two or more substances that may differ

decomposition from each other and from the original substance.

The **decomposition** of organic waste.

deconstructAnalyse a text or linguistic or conceptual system by deconstruction.

I want to **deconstruct** this myth that poverty breeds crime.

depravity

A corrupt or depraved or degenerate act or practice.

Its brothels its opium parlors its **depravity**.

deteriorateBecome progressively worse.

Relations between the countries had **deteriorate**d sharply.

disassemble Take apart into its constituent pieces.

The piston can be **disassemble**d for transport.

disband Stop functioning or cohering as a unit.

The unit was scheduled to **disband**.

disintegrate

Break into parts or components or lose cohesion or unity.

Our shoes had to last until they **disintegrate**d on our feet.

The spontaneous disintegration of a radioactive substance along with the

disintegration emission of ionizing radiation.

A disintegration of personality.

dismantle Tear down so as to make flat with the ground.

The old regime was **dismantle**d.

dismember Divide into pieces.

The tiger **dismember**ed the tourist.

The termination or disintegration of a relationship (between persons or

dissolution nations.

The **dissolution** of their marriage.

dissolve Annul or end (a partnership or marriage.

Dissolve a stock cube in a pint of hot water.

... Wearing away by friction.

The **erosive** effects of waves on the shoreline.



foul Hit a foul ball.

Foul language.

iron Smooth clothes sheets etc with an iron.

She stood there **iron**ing.

malodorous Smelling very unpleasant.

Leaking taps and **malodorous** drains.

molder Break down.

perishable (of something abstract) having a brief life or significance; transitory.

The storage of **perishable** foods.

putrefaction The process of decay or rotting in a body or other organic matter.

Rome had fallen into moral putrefaction.

putrescent Undergoing the process of decay; rotting.

The odour of **putrescent** flesh.

putrid Morally corrupt or evil.

The cocktail is a **putrid** pink colour.

Rotten or decayed matter.

The chalets were neglected and their woodwork was **rot**ting away.

rotten Damaged by decay; hence unsound and useless.

Rotten floor boards.

solvable Capable of being solved.

Such problems are perfectly **solvable**.

spoilage Waste produced by material being spoilt, especially paper that is spoilt in

printing.



