

Need another word that means the same as “delete”? Find 12 synonyms and 30 related words for “delete” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Delete” are: erase, cancel, blue-pencil, edit, remove, cut out, take out, edit out, expunge, excise, eradicate, unpublish**

## Delete as a Verb

### Definitions of "Delete" as a verb

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

- *Remove (data) from a computer's memory.*
- *Remove or obliterate (written or printed matter), especially by drawing a line through it.*
- *Cut or eliminate.*
- *Remove (a product, especially a recording) from the catalogue of those available for purchase.*
- *(of a section of genetic code, or its product) be lost or excised from a nucleic acid or protein sequence.*
- *Wipe out digitally or magnetically recorded information.*
- *Remove or make invisible.*



## Synonyms of "Delete" as a verb (12 Words)

**blue-pencil** Cut or eliminate.

**cancel** Abolish or make void (a financial obligation).  
*He was forced to **cancel** his visit.*

**cut out** Shorten as if by severing the edges or ends of.

<b><u>edit</u></b>	Be editor of a newspaper or magazine. <i>The same family has been <b>editing</b> the influential newspaper for almost 100 years.</i>
<b>edit out</b>	Cut or eliminate.
<b>eradicate</b>	Destroy completely, as if down to the roots. <i>This disease has been <b>eradicated</b> from the world.</i>
<b><u>erase</u></b>	Rub out or remove (writing or marks). <i>The file has been <b>erased</b> from the hard disk.</i>
<b><u>excise</u></b>	Charge excise on goods. <i>The surgeon <b>excised</b> the tumor.</i>
<b><u>expunge</u></b>	Obliterate or remove completely (something unwanted or unpleasant). <i>The kind of man that could <b>expunge</b> an unsatisfactory incident from his memory.</i>
<b>remove</b>	Remove something concrete as by lifting pushing or taking off or remove something abstract. <i>Customs officials <b>removed</b> documents from the premises.</i>
<b>take out</b>	Be a student of a certain subject.
<b>unpublish</b>	Make (content that has previously been published online) unavailable to the public. <i>The magazine first amended and then <b>unpublished</b> the article.</i>



## Usage Examples of "Delete" as a verb

- *The passage was deleted.*
- *Their EMI release has already been deleted.*
- *If one important gene is deleted from an animal's DNA, other genes can stand in.*
- *Any program in memory will be deleted before the new one is loaded.*
- *Please delete my name from your list.*



## Associations of "Delete" (30 Words)

<b>abolish</b>	Formally put an end to (a system, practice, or institution). <i>Slavery was <b>abolished</b> in the mid 19th century in America and in Russia.</i>
<b>abrogate</b>	Evade (a responsibility or duty). <i>A proposal to <b>abrogate</b> temporarily the right to strike.</i>
<b>abrogation</b>	The repeal or abolition of a law, right, or agreement.
<b><u>annihilate</u></b>	Destroy utterly; obliterate. <i>A fraction of the mass of atomic nuclei is <b>annihilated</b>.</i>
<b>annul</b>	Cancel officially. <i>The elections were <b>annulled</b> by the general amid renewed protests.</i>
<b><u>cancel</u></b>	A notation cancelling a previous sharp or flat. <i>The electric fields may <b>cancel</b> each other out.</i>
<b><u>cull</u></b>	An inferior or surplus livestock animal selected for culling. <i><b>Cull</b> the sick members of the herd.</i>

<b>cutout</b>	A switch that interrupts an electric circuit in the event of an overload.
<b><u>decimate</u></b>	Drastically reduce the strength or effectiveness of (something). <i>Public transport has been <b>decimated</b>.</i>
<b>efface</b>	Cause (a memory or emotion) to disappear completely. <i>To <b>efface</b> oneself is not the easiest of duties which the teacher can undertake.</i>
<b>eliminate</b>	Eliminate from the body. <i>This possibility can be <b>eliminated</b> from our consideration.</i>
<b>eradicate</b>	Destroy completely; put an end to. <i>This disease has been <b>eradicated</b> from the world.</i>
<b><u>erase</u></b>	Remove all traces of; destroy or obliterate. <i>The magic of the landscape <b>erased</b> all else from her mind.</i>
<b><u>excise</u></b>	Charge excise on goods. <i>The rate of <b>excise</b> duty on spirits.</i>
<b>expulsion</b>	The action or process of forcing someone to leave a place. <i>The <b>expulsion</b> of pus from the pimple.</i>
<b><u>expunge</u></b>	Obliterate or remove completely (something unwanted or unpleasant). <i>The kind of man that could <b>expunge</b> an unsatisfactory incident from his memory.</i>
<b><u>exterminate</u></b>	Kill en masse; kill on a large scale; kill many. <i>They use poison to <b>exterminate</b> moles.</i>
<b>extirpate</b>	Surgically remove (an organ). <i>Timber wolves were <b>extirpated</b> from New England more than a century ago.</i>
<b><u>nullify</u></b>	Declare invalid. <i>Judges were unwilling to <b>nullify</b> government decisions.</i>
<b><u>obliterate</u></b>	Make undecipherable or imperceptible by obscuring or concealing. <i>The special stamp should be placed on the left hand side and not be used to <b>obliterate</b> the postage stamp.</i>
<b><u>override</u></b>	Be more important than. <i>This commitment should <b>override</b> all other considerations.</i>
<b>recantation</b>	A statement that one no longer holds a particular opinion or belief; a retraction. <i>Every writer interprets Galileo's <b>recantation</b> in a different way.</i>
<b>remove</b>	Remove from a position or an office. <i>A man is <b>removed</b> to the tribal district of his forbears.</i>
<b>repeal</b>	Cancel officially. <i>The legislation was <b>repealed</b> five months later.</i>

- rescind** Revoke, cancel, or repeal (a law, order, or agreement).  
*The government eventually **rescinded** the directive.*
- rescission** The revocation, cancellation, or repeal of a law, order, or agreement.  
*The plaintiff agreed to the **rescission** of the agreement.*
- revocable** Capable of being revoked or annulled.  
*A **revocable** order.*
- revoke** The mistake of not following suit when able to do so.  
*He **revoked** the ban on smoking.*
- riddance** The action of getting rid of a troublesome or unwanted person or thing.  
*The new movement emphasized discipline not **riddance** or punishment as a method of solving the criminal problem.*
- uproot** Remove or destroy completely; eradicate.  
***Uproot** the vine that has spread all over the garden.*

