

Need another word that means the same as "delve"? Find 36 synonyms and 30 related words for "delve" in this overview.

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The synonyms of "Delve" are: cut into, dig, turn over, rummage in, rummage about in, rummage around in, rummage round in, search, search through, hunt through, root about in, root around in, ferret in, ferret about in, ferret around in, fish about in, fish around in, poke about in, poke around in, dig in, go through, burrow in, investigate, conduct investigations into, make inquiries into, inquire into, probe, examine, explore, research, study, look into, go into, excavate, burrow, tunnel

## Delve as a Verb

#### Definitions of "Delve" as a verb

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

- Reach inside a receptacle and search for something.
- Dig; excavate.
- Turn up, loosen, or remove earth.
- Research or make painstaking inquiries into something.

#### Synonyms of "Delve" as a verb (36 Words)

burrow Hide underneath or press close to something.

The child **burrow**ed deeper into the bed.

**burrow in** Move through by or as by digging.

**conduct investigations into** Lead, as in the performance of a composition.

**cut into** Record a performance on (a medium.



**dig**Create by digging.

Authorities cause chaos by **dig**ging up roads.

**dig in** Create by digging.

**examine** Question or examine thoroughly and closely.

A doctor **examine**d me and said I might need a caesarean.

Remove earth carefully from (an area) in order to find

buried remains.

excavate

The cheapest way of doing this was to excavate a long

trench.

**explore** Inquire into.

Her fingers **explore**d his hair.

**ferret about in** Search and discover through persistent investigation.

**ferret around in** Hunt with ferrets. **ferret in** Hunt with ferrets.

**fish about in**Catch or try to catch fish or shellfish. **fish around in**Catch or try to catch fish or shellfish.

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

go through Go through in search of something search through someone

s belongings in an unauthorized way.

**hunt through** Pursue for food or sport (as of wild animals.

**inquire into** Inquire about.

Investigate scientifically.

**investigate** Future studies will **investigate** whether long term use of

the drugs could prevent cancer.

**look into** Perceive with attention; direct one's gaze towards.

**make inquiries into** Favor the development of.

**poke about in** Stir by poking.

**poke around in** Poke or thrust abruptly.

**probe** Examine physically with or as if with a probe.

Hands **probe**d his body from top to bottom.

Discover or verify information for use in (a book,

programme, etc.

research

The students had to research the history of the Second

World War for their history project.

**root about in** Dig with the snout.



root around in

Become settled or established and stable in one's residence

or life style.

rummage about in Search haphazardly.
rummage around in Search haphazardly.
rummage in Search haphazardly.
rummage round in Search haphazardly.

Look for information in a database or the World Wide Web

**search** using a search engine.

She **search**ed the house from top to bottom.

**search through** Search or seek.

Apply oneself to study.

**study** He spent his time listening to the radio rather than

**study**ing.

tunnel Force a way through.

The insect **tunnel**s its way out of the plant.

**turn over** To break and turn over earth especially with a plow.

## Usage Examples of "Delve" as a verb

She delved in her pocket.

• The society is determined to delve deeper into the matter.

• The approach from the surface above had awed her, so hugely delved were the tunnels.

• When Adam delved and Eve span, who was then the gentleman?

# Associations of "Delve" (30 Words)

archaeologist An anthropologist who studies prehistoric people and their culture.

Chinese archaeologists uncovered life sized terracotta statues.

A hole or tunnel dug by a small animal, especially a rabbit, as a dwelling.

**Burrow** through the forest.

colliery A coal mine and the buildings and equipment associated with it.coxswain The person who steers a ship's boat, racing boat, or other boat.

Remove harvest or recover by digging.

**Dig** your foot into the floor.

disinter Dig up (something that has been buried, especially a corpse.

He has **disinter**red an important collection of writings.



**dug** An udder or breast or teat.

excavate Make (a hole or channel) by digging.

Clothing and weapons were **excavate**d from the burial site.

**excavation** A hole in the ground made by excavating.

Inside the **excavation** were the bones of some huge creature.

Dig out (something buried, especially a corpse) from the ground.

**exhume** Various landforms have been **exhume**d from beneath a covering of Triassic

sediments.

furrow Hollow out in the form of a furrow or groove.

Gorges **furrow**ing the deep sea floor.

Made of or coloured like gold.

He admired the **gold** of her hair.

granite Something having the quality of granite unyielding firmness.

**Granite** columns.

gravel Cover with gravel.

They **gravel**led the road.

A long narrow furrow cut either by a natural process such as erosion or by

**groove** a tool as e g a groove in a phonograph record.

Deep lines **aroove**d her face.

harrow Draw a harrow over land.

Todd could take it whereas I m **harrow**ed by it.

Hit the ball into the hole.

**hole** The team are in a bit of a **hole** and it s a case of seeing if they can dig

themselves out.

inhume Bury.

No hand his bones shall gather or **inhume**.

investigate Investigate scientifically.

Let s **investigate** the syntax of Chinese.

Lay mines.

**mine Mine** ores and metals.

Sink in or contract so as to form a pit or hollow.

**Pit** plums and cherries.

To break and turn over earth especially with a plow.

The ship **plow**ed through the water.

**guarry** Extract something such as stones from or as if from a quarry.

A British term for **quarry** is stone pit.



Take out or up with or as if with a scoop. **scoop** 

He got a **scoop** on the bribery of city officials.

Of a plant reproduce itself by means of its own seeds. seed

Mulches encourage many plants to **seed** freely.

Move coal earth snow or a similar substance with a shovel. shovel

An area of turf had been dug up by vandals using a pick and **shovel**.

tiller Grow shoots in the form of stools or tillers.

The act of upsetting something. turnover

An apple turnover.

A member of an underground political group or movement. underground

The French **underground**.

Drive (an animal, especially a fox) out of a hole or burrow. unearth

The CIA **unearth**ed a plot to kill the President.