

Need another word that means the same as "descent"? Find 58 synonyms and 30 related words for "descent" in this overview.

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Descent as a Noun

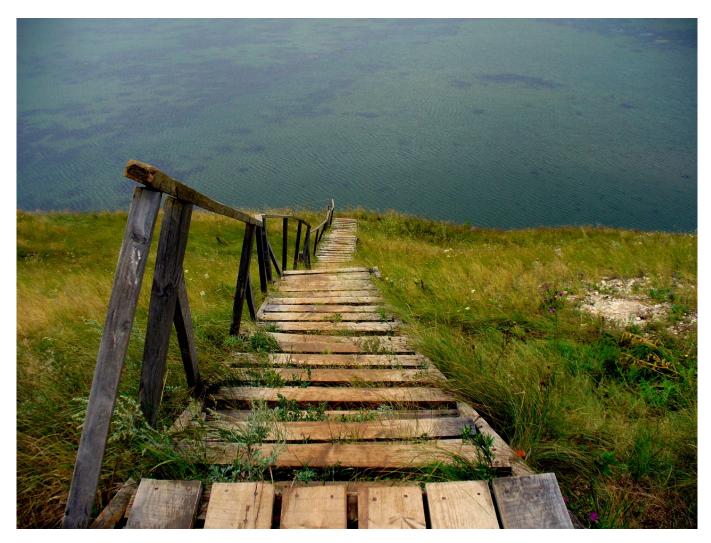
Definitions of "Descent" as a noun

According to the <u>Oxford Dictionary of English</u>, "descent" as a noun can have the following definitions:

- A downward slope or bend.
- A downward slope.
- A sudden violent attack.
- An unexpected visit.
- Properties attributable to your ancestry.
- The transmission of qualities, property, or privileges by inheritance.
- A moral, social, or psychological decline.
- The kinship relation between an individual and the individual's progenitors.
- An act of moving downwards, dropping, or falling.
- The origin or background of a person in terms of family or nationality.



- The act of changing your location in a downward direction.
- The descendants of one individual.
- A movement downward.



Synonyms of "Descent" as a noun (58 Words)

ancestors Someone from whom you are descended (but usually more remote than a

grandparent.

The descendants of one individual.

The **ancestry** of the rose is extremely complicated.

A physical attack.

Troops began an **assault** on the city.

attack The act of attacking.

Attacks on women increased last year.



An internal bodily fluid in invertebates which performs a similar function

blood to blood in humans and other vertebrates.

A ritual that fires up his **blood**.

blood line People viewed as members of a group.

Ancestry of a purebred animal.

The herd has British **bloodline**s going back 200 years.

ChargeThe price charged for some article or service.

The **charge**s against the estate.

A lessening of the sensations generated by a narcotic drug as its effects

comedown wear off.

The drug is like speed but without the **comedown**.

coming down The temporal property of becoming nearer in time.

debasementBeing mixed with extraneous material; the product of adulterating.

The outcome is rot and **debasement** of the system.

(in the grammar of Latin, Greek, and certain other languages) the variation of the form of a noun, pronoun, or adjective, by which its

declension variation of the form of a flour, profitour, or adjective, by will

grammatical case, number, and gender are identified.

The first **declension** in Latin.

declination A polite refusal of an invitation.

The **declination** of Arcturus is 19 degrees north.

decline Change toward something smaller or lower.

A serious **decline** in bird numbers.

declivity A downward slope or bend.

A thickly wooded **declivity**.

degeneracyMoral perversion; impairment of virtue and moral principles.

A slide into moral **degeneracy**.

degeneration Passing from a more complex to a simpler biological form.

Degeneration of the muscle fibres.

degradation A low or downcast state- H.L.Menchken.

A trail of human misery and **degradation**.

deterioration Process of changing to an inferior state.

A **deterioration** in the condition of the patient.

dipA thick sauce in which pieces of food are dipped before eating.

There was a **dip** in the road.

downslope A downward slope or bend.

drive Hitting a golf ball off of a tee with a driver.

He threw the car into **drive**.



dropAn act of dropping supplies or troops by parachute.

There is not a **drop** of pity in that man.

extraction The action of taking out something (especially using effort or force.

Mineral **extraction**.

fall A thing which falls or has fallen.

In October came the first **fall** of snow.

A group of one or more parents and their children living together as a

family unit.

Sharks belong to the fish family.

Inherited properties shared with others of your bloodline.

Relationships based on ties of **filiation** as opposed to marriage.

A brief but spirited attempt to become involved in a new activity or

foray sphere.

hill

My first **foray** into journalism.

going down Euphemistic expressions for death.

The rate of such a change.

A five degree **gradient**.

A naturally raised area of land, not as high or craggy as a mountain.

A **hill** of ruffs looked at from a distance on a sunny day was a very

pleasing spectacle.

An inclined surface or plane a slope especially on a road or railway.

The road climbs a long **incline** through a forest.

incursion The act of entering some territory or domain (often in large numbers.

The **incursion** of television into the American living room.

inheritance The action of inheriting.

My only **inheritance** was my mother s blessing.

line Each of usually five horizontal lines forming a stave in musical notation.

Passengers were hit by delays caused by leaves on the **line**.

line of descent A slight depression in the smoothness of a surface.

. The descendants of one individual.

The myeloid **lineage**.

onslaught An offensive against an enemy (using weapons.

A series of **onslaught**s on the citadel.

A place where a nerve or blood vessel begins or branches from a main

<u>origin</u> nerve or blood vessel.

Mineral **origin**.



The descendants of one individual.

A boy of Jamaican parentage.

passing down Euphemistic expressions for death.

passing on Success in satisfying a test or requirement.

The record of descent of an animal, showing it to be pure-bred.

With a **pedigree** equal to many of the gentry.

An act of pushing someone or something in order to move them away from

push oneself.

The army made a **push** toward the sea.

A rapid surprise attack to commit a crime, especially to steal from

raid business premises.

An early morning **raid** on a bank.

A measure of the relation between the mean value of one variable (e.g.

<u>regression</u> output) and corresponding values of other variables (e.g. time and cost).

It is easy to blame unrest on economic **regression**.

retrogression Passing from a more complex to a simpler biological form.

A **retrogression** to 19th century attitudes.

sally A venture off the beaten path.

A **sally** into the wide world beyond his home.

A feeling caused by uneasiness or apprehension.

sinking With a sinking heart.

slant A sloping position.

Cut flower stems on the **slant**.

A part of a machine or instrument that slides.

His **slide** didn t stop until the bottom of the hill.

sortie A military action in which besieged troops burst forth from their position.

An early morning **sortie** into the garden of our hotel.

stemma A tree diagram showing a reconstruction of the transmission of

manuscripts of a literary work.

A portion of a company s stock as held by an individual or group as an

stock investment.

He grabbed the cue by the **stock**.

The sudden forceful attack and capture of a building or other place by

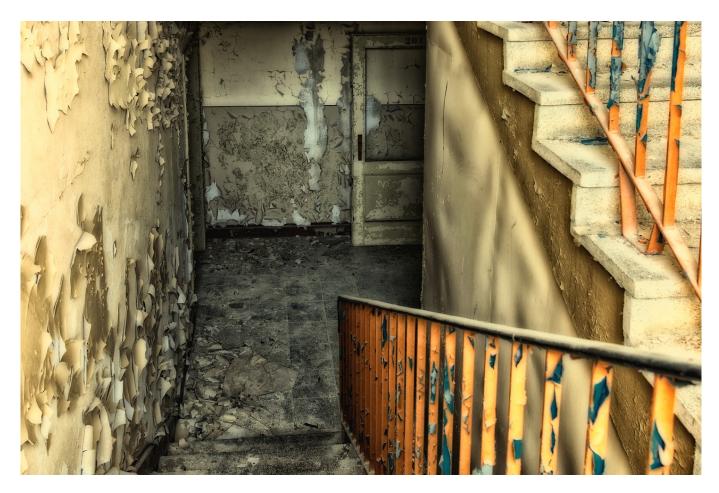
storming troops.

The **storming** of the Bastille.

succession The action or process of inheriting a title, office, property, etc.

A **succession** of failures.





Usage Examples of "Descent" as a noun

- The settlers were of Cornish descent.
- The plane had gone into a steep descent.
- A steep, badly eroded descent.
- A descent on the Channel ports.
- The ancient empire's slow descent into barbarism.
- His descents on the manager of any shop he took a fancy to visit.





Associations of "Descent" (30 Words)

On a floor below. **below**

See below.

At a lower level or layer. beneath

The smile revealed the evil **beneath**.

Process of changing to an inferior state. declension

The first **declension** in Latin.

Inflect for number, gender, case, etc. *The roof declines here.* decline

A downward slope. declivity

A thickly wooded declivity.



decrease Decrease in size extent or range.

The population of the area has **decrease**d radically.

descend Come from; be connected by a relationship of blood, for example.

The army had **descend**ed into chaos.

descending (of sound) becoming lower in pitch.

The categories are listed in **descending** order of usefulness.

diminish Make or become less.

The trial has aged and **diminish**ed him.

down Downstairs.

There are eight trains a day four up and four **down**.

downturn A decline in economic, business, or other activity.

A **downturn** in the housing market.

Used to indicate that something applies to everyone in a certain hierarchy

downward or set.

The **downward** course of the stream.

dropAn act of dropping supplies or troops by parachute.

A sheer 1 500 foot **drop**.

An act of falling or collapsing.

An English leader who had **fall**en at the hands of the Danes.

Decreasing in number, amount, intensity, or quality.

falling Falling incomes.

flop With a flopping sound.

The show **flop**ped in London.

grantee A person to whom a grant or conveyance is made.

__ Make smaller.

The warmth of the afternoon **lessen**ed.

Make a low noise characteristic of bovines.

Keep the volume very **low**.

lower Move something or somebody to a lower position.

Lower costs will encourage people to buy.

Drop from an aircraft by parachute.

parachute The former Conservative minister was controversially **parachute**d into the

safe seat.

A steep and rapid fall or drop.

Hardware sales **plummet**ed.

(of a horse) rear violently.

plunge
Shares in the company plunged 18p on news that profits had fallen.



A reduction in the productivity or activities of a company or institution.

rundown A **rundown** in the business would be a devastating blow to the local

economy.

Settle conclusively come to terms.

settle *If the dispute was not* **settle***d it was possible there would be strike action.*

Cause to sink.

sink They planned to **sink** a gold mine in Oklahoma.

A noticeable deterioration in performance or quality.

slump The team went into a **slump**.

An instance of a liquid spilling or being spilt. <u>spill</u>

Some of the wine **spill**ed on to the floor.

Sinking until covered completely with water.

submergence Politicians may be blamed for submergence of principle.

Under water. under

An **under** secretary.

