

Need another word that means the same as “digress”? Find 15 synonyms and 30 related words for “digress” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Digress” are: depart, sidetrack, straggle, divagate, stray, wander, deviate, go off at a tangent, diverge, turn aside, turn away, drift, ramble, meander, maunder

Digress as a Verb

Definitions of "Digress" as a verb

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

- *Leave the main subject temporarily in speech or writing.*
- *Wander from a direct or straight course.*
- *Lose clarity or turn aside especially from the main subject of attention or course of argument in writing, thinking, or speaking.*

Synonyms of "Digress" as a verb (15 Words)

[depart](#)

Deviate from (an accepted, prescribed, or usual course of action.
*They **departed** for Germany.*

[deviate](#)

Turn aside; turn away from.
*The river was **deviated** to prevent flooding.*

divagate

Lose clarity or turn aside especially from the main subject of attention or course of argument in writing, thinking, or speaking.
*Yeats **divagated** into Virgil s territory only once.*

diverge	Be at variance with; be out of line with. <i>The flight path diverged from the original flight plan.</i>
drift	Be carried slowly by a current of air or water. <i>The shipwrecked boat drifted away from the shore.</i>
go off at a tangent	Go through in search of something; search through someone's belongings in an unauthorized way.
maunder	Wander aimlessly. <i>He maunders through the bank composing his thoughts.</i>
meander	(of a river or road) follow a winding course. <i>A stylish offbeat thriller which occasionally meanders.</i>
ramble	Move about aimlessly or without any destination, often in search of food or employment. <i>Roses climbed rambled hung over walls.</i>
sidetrack	Direct (a train) into a branch line or siding. <i>The train is sidetracked on to a line leading to a terminal.</i>
straggle	(of an irregular group of people) move along slowly so as to remain some distance behind the person or people in front. <i>The children straggled behind them.</i>
stray	(of the eyes or a hand) move idly or casually. <i>The military arrested anyone who strayed into the exclusion zone.</i>
turn aside	Change orientation or direction, also in the abstract sense.
turn away	Pass into a condition gradually, take on a specific property or attribute; become.
wander	Walk or move in a leisurely or aimless way. <i>After dinner we wandered into town.</i>

Usage Examples of "Digress" as a verb

- *She always digresses when telling a story.*
- *I have digressed a little from my original plan.*
- *Don't digress when you give a lecture.*

Associations of "Digress" (30 Words)

aimlessly	Without purpose or direction. <i>We wandered aimlessly round Venice.</i>
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ambulate	Walk; move about. <i>People who make use of crutches to ambulate.</i>
away	An away match or win. <i>He put away the pistol.</i>
carriage	Any of the separate sections of a train that carry passengers. <i>A US army howitzer and carriage.</i>
derail	(of a train or tram) accidentally leave the tracks. <i>They had planned to derail the trains that carried atomic waste.</i>
derailment	The action of a train or tram leaving its tracks accidentally. <i>The derailment of the peace process.</i>
deviate	A person whose behavior deviates from what is acceptable especially in sexual behavior. <i>The whole affair offers revealing insights into attitudes towards sexual deviates.</i>
digressive	Characterized by digression; tending to depart from the subject. <i>A digressive allusion to the day of the week.</i>
discursive	(of e.g. speech and writing) tending to depart from the main point or cover a wide range of subjects. <i>A rambling discursive book.</i>
dislodge	Remove or force from a position of dwelling previously occupied. <i>Government opponents failed to dislodge the Prime Minister.</i>
drift	The pervading meaning or tenor. <i>The drift towards a more repressive style of policing.</i>
excursive	Tending to depart from the main point or cover a wide range of subjects. <i>His excursive remarks.</i>
gad	Wander aimlessly in search of pleasure. <i>He had heard that I was gadding about with an airline stewardess.</i>
gallivant	Wander aimlessly in search of pleasure. <i>She quit her job to go gallivanting around the globe.</i>
indirect	(of costs) deriving from overhead charges or subsidiary work. <i>Fittings were installed to give a subdued indirect light in the nave.</i>
meandering	An act of following a winding course. <i>A florid and rather meandering melody.</i>
nomadic	Migratory. <i>The nomadic habits of the Bedouins.</i>

ramble	Move about aimlessly or without any destination, often in search of food or employment. <i>This novel rambles on and jogs.</i>
rambling	(of a plant) putting out long shoots and growing over walls or other plants. <i>Rambling roses.</i>
resonate	Evoke images, memories, and emotions. <i>The sound of the siren resonated across the harbour.</i>
roam	Use a mobile phone on another operator's network, typically while abroad. <i>The cattle roam across the prairie.</i>
rove	Wander over or through (a place) without a fixed destination. <i>The policeman's eyes roved around the pub.</i>
scrappy	Full of fighting spirit. <i>Scrappy lecture notes piled up unread.</i>
sidetrack	A short stretch of railroad track used to store rolling stock or enable trains on the same line to pass. <i>The horse took a sidetrack which led uphill.</i>
stray	An animal that has strayed especially a domestic animal. <i>Stray dogs.</i>
wander	An act or instance of wandering. <i>The wandering Jew.</i>
wanderer	Someone who leads a wandering unsettled life. <i>He is a longtime seaman a rootless wanderer.</i>
wandering	Of a path e.g. <i>The river followed its wandering course.</i>