

Need another word that means the same as “dodge”? Find 69 synonyms and 30 related words for “dodge” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Dodge” are: circumvent, duck, elude, evade, fudge, hedge, parry, put off, sidestep, skirt, dart, bolt, dive, swerve, veer, lunge, jump, leap, spring, avoid, stay away from, steer clear of, escape, run away from, break away from, lose, leave behind, shake, shake off, fend off, keep at arm's length, give someone a wide berth, keep one's distance from, shun, get out of, slide out of, back out of, skirt round, bypass, give something a miss, find a way out of, contrivance, stratagem, dodging, scheme, ruse, ploy, tactic, subterfuge, trick, hoax, wile, cheat, deception, blind, pretext, manoeuvre, device, machination, artifice, expedient**

## Dodge as a Noun

### Definitions of "Dodge" as a noun

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

- *A statement that evades the question by cleverness or trickery.*
- *A cunning trick or dishonest act, in particular one intended to avoid something unpleasant.*
- *A quick evasive movement.*
- *An elaborate or deceitful scheme contrived to deceive or evade.*
- *A sudden quick movement to avoid someone or something.*

- *The dodging of a bell in change-ringing.*



## Synonyms of "Dodge" as a noun (28 Words)

<b>artifice</b>	A deceptive maneuver (especially to avoid capture). <i>The style is not free from the <b>artifices</b> of the period.</i>
<b>blind</b>	A heavy drinking bout. <i>He s off on a <b>blind</b> again.</i>
<b>bolt</b>	A short, heavy arrow shot from a crossbow.
<b>cheat</b>	An act of cheating a fraud or deception.
<b>contrivance</b>	An elaborate or deceitful scheme contrived to deceive or evade. <i>The often tiresome <b>contrivances</b> of historical fiction.</i>
<b>dart</b>	A small pointed missile with a feather or plastic flight used in the game of darts. <i>The cat made a <b>dart</b> for the door.</i>
<b>deception</b>	An illusory feat; considered magical by naive observers. <i>A range of elaborate <b>deceptions</b>.</i>
<b>device</b>	Any ornamental pattern or design (as in embroidery). <i>An incendiary <b>device</b>.</i>
<b>dive</b>	A shabby or sleazy bar or similar establishment. <i>An 11 per cent <b>dive</b> in profits.</i>
<b>dodging</b>	A quick evasive movement.

<b>duck</b>	Flesh of a duck domestic or wild. <i>Visitors can board an amphibious <b>duck</b> to explore the city.</i>
<b>expedient</b>	A means to an end; not necessarily a principled or ethical one. <i>The current policy is a political <b>expedient</b>.</i>
<b>hoax</b>	A humorous or malicious deception. <i>A <b>hoax</b> 999 call.</i>
<b>jump</b>	An obstacle to be jumped especially by a horse and rider in an equestrian competition. <i>A parachute <b>jump</b>.</i>
<b>leap</b>	A thing to be leaped over or from. <i>A <b>leap</b> of 75 per cent in two years.</i>
<b>machination</b>	A plot or scheme.
<b>manoeuvre</b>	A large-scale military exercise of troops, warships, and other forces. <i>The economic policy provided no room for <b>manoeuvre</b>.</i>
<b>ploy</b>	An opening remark intended to secure an advantage for the speaker. <i>The eternal cross stitch I was set to do before I could indulge my own <b>plys</b>.</i>
<b>pretext</b>	A reason given in justification of a course of action that is not the real reason. <i>The rebels had the perfect <b>pretext</b> for making their move.</i>
<b>ruse</b>	A deceptive maneuver (especially to avoid capture). <i>Emma tried to think of a <b>ruse</b> to get Paul out of the house.</i>
<b>scheme</b>	An internal representation of the world; an organization of concepts and actions that can be revised by new information about the world. <i>A classical rhyme <b>scheme</b>.</i>
<b>spring</b>	The ability to spring back strongly elasticity. <i>A <b>spring</b> of teal follows and we listen as they pass.</i>
<b>stratagem</b>	Skill in devising plans or schemes; cunning. <i>A series of devious <b>stratagems</b>.</i>
<b>subterfuge</b>	Deceit used in order to achieve one's goal. <i>He had to use <b>subterfuge</b> and bluff on many occasions.</i>
<b>swerve</b>	An abrupt change of direction. <i>Do not make sudden <b>swerves</b> particularly around parked vehicles.</i>
<b>tactic</b>	The art of disposing armed forces in order of battle and of organizing operations, especially during contact with an enemy. <i>Basic infantry <b>tactics</b> were taught by guest instructors.</i>
<b>trick</b>	A cunning act or scheme intended to deceive or outwit someone. <i>I thought I saw a flicker of emotion but it was probably a <b>trick</b> of the light.</i>

**wile**

The use of tricks to deceive someone (usually to extract money from them).  
*The devious **wiles** of the politicians.*



**Usage Examples of "Dodge" as a noun**

- *The grant system's widespread use as a tax dodge.*





## Dodge as a Verb

### Definitions of "Dodge" as a verb

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

- *(of a bell in change-ringing) move one place contrary to the normal sequence, and then back again in the following round.*
- *Move quickly to one side or out of the way.*
- *Make a sudden movement in a new direction so as to avoid.*
- *Avoid (someone or something) by a sudden quick movement.*
- *Expose (one area of a print) less than the rest during processing or enlarging.*
- *Evade (a debt or obligation) in a cunning or dishonest way.*
- *Move to and fro or from place to place usually in an irregular course.*
- *Avoid or try to avoid fulfilling, answering, or performing (duties, questions, or issues).*



## Synonyms of "Dodge" as a verb (41 Words)

<b>avoid</b>	Keep away from or stop oneself from doing (something). <i>He should <b>avoid</b> publishing his wife's memories.</i>
<b>back out of</b>	Establish as valid or genuine.
<b>bolt</b>	Make or roll into bolts. <i>Don't <b>bolt</b> your food.</i>
<b>break away from</b>	Come to an end.
<b>bypass</b>	Avoid something unpleasant or laborious. <i><b>Bypass</b> the farm and continue to the road.</i>
<b>circumvent</b>	Avoid or try to avoid fulfilling, answering, or performing (duties, questions, or issues). <i>He <b>circumvented</b> her with some of his stories.</i>
<b>dart</b>	Move along rapidly and lightly skim or dart. <i>He <b>darted</b> the leopard with a long acting anaesthetic.</i>
<b>dive</b>	(of an aircraft or bird) plunge steeply downwards through the air. <i>The plane <b>dived</b> as it was buffeted by turbulence at 34 000 ft.</i>
<b>duck</b>	Dip into a liquid. <i>Before he could <b>duck</b> another stone struck him.</i>

<b>elude</b>	Avoid or try to avoid fulfilling, answering, or performing (duties, questions, or issues). <i>We need to ensure that bad cases do not <b>elude</b> tough penalties.</i>
<b>escape</b>	Be incomprehensible to escape understanding by. <i>It may have <b>escaped</b> your notice but this is not a hotel.</i>
<b>evade</b>	Escape, either physically or mentally. <i>This difficult idea seems to <b>evade</b> her.</i>
<b>fend off</b>	Withstand the force of something.
<b>find a way out of</b>	Perceive or be contemporaneous with.
<b>fudge</b>	Present or deal with (something) in a vague or inadequate way, especially so as to conceal the truth or mislead. <i>The authorities have <b>fudged</b> the issue.</i>
<b>get out of</b>	Be stricken by an illness, fall victim to an illness.
<b>give someone a wide berth</b>	Dedicate.
<b>give something a miss</b>	Estimate the duration or outcome of something.
<b>hedge</b>	Hinder or restrict with or as if with a hedge. <i>They <b>hedged</b> their story about with provisos.</i>
<b>jump</b>	Pass over an obstacle or barrier by jumping. <i>An owl hooted nearby making her <b>jump</b>.</i>
<b>keep at arm's length</b>	Maintain for use and service.
<b>keep one's distance from</b>	Raise.
<b>leap</b>	Cause to jump or leap. <i>They <b>leapt</b> at the opportunity to combine fun with fund raising.</i>
<b>leave behind</b>	Go and leave behind either intentionally or by neglect or forgetfulness.
<b>lose</b>	Miss from one's possessions lose sight of. <i>This clock will neither gain nor <b>lose</b> a second.</i>
<b>lunge</b>	Make a lunge. <i>McCulloch raised his cudgel and <b>lunged</b> at him.</i>
<b>parry</b>	Answer (a question or accusation) evasively. <i>He parried the blow by holding his sword vertically.</i>
<b>put off</b>	Estimate.
<b>run away from</b>	Cover by running; run a certain distance.

<b>shake</b>	Shake or vibrate rapidly and intensively. <i><b>Shake</b> the salt out of the salt <b>shaker</b>.</i>
<b>shake off</b>	Stir the feelings, emotions, or peace of.
<u><a href="#">shun</a></u>	Avoid and stay away from deliberately; stay clear of. <i>He <b>shunned</b> fashionable society.</i>
<b>sidestep</b>	Climb or descend by lifting alternate skis while facing sideways on the slope. <i>We learned how to <b>sidestep</b> up the slope and slide cautiously down.</i>
<b>skirt</b>	Extend on all sides of simultaneously; encircle. <i>The boat <b>skirted</b> the coast.</i>
<b>skirt round</b>	Form the edge of.
<b>slide out of</b>	To pass or move unobtrusively or smoothly.
<b>spring</b>	Spring back spring away from an impact. <i>He might <b>spring</b> a few shillings more.</i>
<b>stay away from</b>	Fasten with stays.
<b>steer clear of</b>	Be a guiding or motivating force or drive.
<b>swerve</b>	Turn sharply; change direction abruptly. <i>O Hara <b>swerved</b> the motorcycle round the corner.</i>
<u><a href="#">veer</a></u>	Shift to a clockwise direction. <i>The wind <b>veered</b>.</i>





## Usage Examples of "Dodge" as a verb

- *The child dodged the teacher's blow.*
- *He'd caught her dodging fares on the underground.*
- *Marchers had to dodge missiles thrown by loyalists.*
- *He dodged and burned the photograph to get the exact exposure levels he was after.*
- *Adam dodged between the cars.*
- *The pickpocket dodged through the crowd.*
- *He dodged the issue.*



## Associations of "Dodge" (30 Words)

- apophasis** Mentioning something by saying it will not be mentioned.
- avoid** Not go to or through (a place).  
*Boys queued up to take Gloria out but **avoided** Deirdre.*
- bypass** An alternative channel created during a bypass operation.  
*He s just had a triple **bypass** operation.*
- cheetah** Long-legged spotted cat of Africa and southwestern Asia having nonretractile claws; the swiftest mammal; can be trained to run down game.
- circumvent** Deceive; outwit.  
*If you come to an obstruction in a road you can seek to **circumvent** it.*
- deflect** Cause (something) to change direction; turn aside from a straight course.  
*She refused to be **deflected** from anything she had set her mind on.*
- derail** Cause (a train or tram) to leave its tracks accidentally.  
*The plot is seen by some as an attempt to **derail** the negotiations.*



<b><u>detour</u></b>	Travel via a detour. <i>I would <b>detour</b> the endless stream of motor homes.</i>
<b><u>deviate</u></b>	A person whose behavior deviates from what is acceptable especially in sexual behavior. <i>The whole affair offers revealing insights into attitudes towards sexual <b>deviates</b>.</i>
<b>elude</b>	Avoid or try to avoid fulfilling, answering, or performing (duties, questions, or issues). <i>The logic of this <b>eluded</b> most people.</i>
<b>escape</b>	Be incomprehensible to escape understanding by. <i>A sob <b>escaped</b> her lips.</i>
<b><u>evade</u></b>	Avoid giving a direct answer to (a question). <i>Suppliers can <b>evade</b> or manipulate regulations.</i>
<b><u>exceed</u></b>	Be superior or better than some standard. <i>Production costs have <b>exceeded</b> 60 000.</i>
<b>fast</b>	Engaging in or involving activities characterized by excitement, extranvaganance, and risk-taking. <i><b>Fast</b> film.</i>
<b><u>flee</u></b>	Run away from (someone or something). <i>He was forced to <b>flee</b> the country.</i>
<b>oncoming</b>	The beginning or early stages. <i>The <b>oncoming</b> winter.</i>
<b><u>onset</u></b>	The beginning or early stages. <i>Early <b>onset</b> Alzheimer s disease.</i>
<b>outdistance</b>	Go far ahead of. <i>He <b>outdistanced</b> the other runners.</i>
<b>outrun</b>	Escape from. <i>Their one chance was to <b>outrun</b> their pursuers.</i>
<b>outstrip</b>	Go far ahead of. <i>Supply far <b>outstripped</b> demand.</i>
<b>parry</b>	An act of parrying something. <i>Her question met with a polite <b>parry</b>.</i>
<b>quick</b>	At a fast rate quickly. <i>Children like to see <b>quick</b> results from their efforts.</i>
<b><u>shun</u></b>	Persistently avoid, ignore, or reject (someone or something) through antipathy or caution. <i>He <b>shunned</b> fashionable society.</i>

- sidestep** Avoid dealing with or discussing (something problematic or disagreeable).  
*We learned how to **sidestep** up the slope and slide cautiously down.*
- slew** Of an electronic device undergo slewing.  
*He **slew** the aircraft round before it settled on the runway.*
- surpass** Be better than.  
*He continued to **surpass** me at all games.*
- swerve** Change or cause to change direction abruptly.  
*A lorry **swerved** across her path.*
- undiagnosed** Not diagnosed or having been subject to diagnosis.  
***Undiagnosed** disease.*
- veer** Change direction suddenly.  
*The wind **veered**.*
- volley** Make a volley.  
*Gun shots **volleyed** at the attackers.*

