

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)

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

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| duck | Flesh of a duck domestic or wild. <i>Visitors can board an amphibious duck to explore the city.</i> |
| expedient | A means to an end; not necessarily a principled or ethical one. <i>The current policy is a political expedient.</i> |
| hoax | A humorous or malicious deception. <i>A hoax 999 call.</i> |
| jump | An obstacle to be jumped especially by a horse and rider in an equestrian competition. <i>A parachute jump.</i> |
| leap | A thing to be leaped over or from. <i>A leap of 75 per cent in two years.</i> |
| machination | A plot or scheme. |
| manoeuvre | A large-scale military exercise of troops, warships, and other forces. <i>The economic policy provided no room for manoeuvre.</i> |
| ploy | 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 plays.</i> |
| pretext | A reason given in justification of a course of action that is not the real reason. <i>The rebels had the perfect pretext for making their move.</i> |
| ruse | A deceptive maneuver (especially to avoid capture). <i>Emma tried to think of a ruse to get Paul out of the house.</i> |
| scheme | 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 scheme.</i> |
| spring | The ability to spring back strongly elasticity. <i>A spring of teal follows and we listen as they pass.</i> |
| stratagem | Skill in devising plans or schemes; cunning. <i>A series of devious stratagems.</i> |
| subterfuge | Deceit used in order to achieve one's goal. <i>He had to use subterfuge and bluff on many occasions.</i> |
| swerve | An abrupt change of direction. <i>Do not make sudden swerves particularly around parked vehicles.</i> |
| tactic | The art of disposing armed forces in order of battle and of organizing operations, especially during contact with an enemy. <i>Basic infantry tactics were taught by guest instructors.</i> |
| trick | 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 trick 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)

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

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

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

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| apophasis | Mentioning something by saying it will not be mentioned. |
| avoid | Not go to or through (a place). <i>Boys queued up to take Gloria out but avoided Deirdre.</i> |
| bypass | An alternative channel created during a bypass operation. <i>He s just had a triple bypass operation.</i> |
| 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. <i>If you come to an obstruction in a road you can seek to circumvent it.</i> |
| deflect | Cause (something) to change direction; turn aside from a straight course. <i>She refused to be deflected from anything she had set her mind on.</i> |
| derail | Cause (a train or tram) to leave its tracks accidentally. <i>The plot is seen by some as an attempt to derail the negotiations.</i> |

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

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

