

Need another word that means the same as “down”? Find 119 synonyms and 30 related words for “down” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Down” are: downward, downwardly, downwards, downstairs, over, in a lower position, down pat, mastered, depressed, blue, dispirited, down in the mouth, downcast, downhearted, gloomy, grim, low, low-spirited, sad, unhappy, melancholy, miserable, wretched, sorrowful, dejected, disheartened, despondent, in low spirits, glum, morose, dismal, tearful, not working, not functional, not in working order, not in operation, inoperative, malfunctioning, out of order, broken, broken-down, acting up, unserviceable, faulty, defective, in disrepair, consume, demolish, devour, go through, cut down, knock down, pull down, push down, fine-tune, polish, refine, belt down, bolt down, drink down, kill, pop, pour down, toss off, land, shoot down, knock over, knock to the ground, throw to the ground, bring down, bring to the ground, fell, topple, prostrate, tackle, trip up, drink, drink up, gulp, gulp down, guzzle, quaff, drain, imbibe, sup, slurp, suck, sip, swallow, finish off, polish off, john l. h. down, down feather, pile, setbacks, upsets, reverses, reversals, reversals of fortune, downturns, mishaps, strokes of ill luck, strokes of

bad luck, accidents, shocks, vicissitudes, crises, catastrophes, tragedies, calamities, trials, crosses, knocks, burdens, blows, buffets, fit of depression, period of despondency

Down as a Noun

Definitions of "Down" as a noun

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

- *English physician who first described Down's syndrome (1828-1896).*
- *A chance for a team to advance the ball, ending when the ball carrier is tackled or the ball becomes out of play. A team must advance at least ten yards in a series of four downs in order to keep possession.*
- *Fine soft dense hair (as the fine short hair of cattle or deer or the wool of sheep or the undercoat of certain dogs).*
- *A rolling treeless highland with little soil.*
- *A period of unwelcome experiences or negative mood.*
- *A complete play to advance the football.*
- *(American football) a complete play to advance the football.*
- *Soft fine feathers.*
- *(usually plural) a rolling treeless highland with little soil.*



Synonyms of "Down" as a noun (27 Words)

accidents	Anything that happens suddenly or by chance without an apparent cause. <i>It was due to an accident or fortuity.</i>
blows	Street names for cocaine. <i>He gave his nose a loud blow.</i>
buffets	A meal set out on a buffet at which guests help themselves.
burdens	Weight to be borne or conveyed. <i>The burden of responsibility.</i>
calamities	An event resulting in great loss and misfortune. <i>The whole city was affected by the irremediable calamity.</i>
catastrophes	An event resulting in great loss and misfortune. <i>Lack of funds has resulted in a catastrophe for our school system.</i>
crises	A crucial stage or turning point in the course of something.

crosses	A wooden structure consisting of an upright post with a transverse piece. <i>That is his cross to bear.</i>
down feather	Fine soft dense hair (as the fine short hair of cattle or deer or the wool of sheep or the undercoat of certain dogs).
downturns	A worsening of business or economic activity. <i>The market took a downturn.</i>
fit of depression	A display of bad temper.
john l. h. down	Fine soft dense hair (as the fine short hair of cattle or deer or the wool of sheep or the undercoat of certain dogs).
knocks	A bad experience. <i>The school of hard knocks.</i>
mishaps	An instance of misfortune.
period of despondency	One of three divisions into which play is divided in hockey games.
pile	Battery consisting of voltaic cells arranged in series; the earliest electric battery devised by Volta. <i>A Victorian Gothic pile.</i>
reversals	The act of reversing the order or place of. <i>There was a reversal of autonomic function.</i>
reversals of fortune	Turning in an opposite direction or position.
reverses	Turning in the opposite direction. <i>We thought Sue was older than Bill but just the reverse was true.</i>
<u>setbacks</u>	An unfortunate happening that hinders or impedes; something that is thwarting or frustrating.
shocks	The violent interaction of individuals or groups entering into combat. <i>Corn is bound in small sheaves and several sheaves are set up together in shocks.</i>
strokes of bad luck	The maximum movement available to a pivoted or reciprocating piece by a cam.
strokes of ill luck	A sudden loss of consciousness resulting when the rupture or occlusion of a blood vessel leads to oxygen lack in the brain.
<u>tragedies</u>	Drama in which the protagonist is overcome by some superior force or circumstance; excites terror or pity.

trials	The determination of a person's innocence or guilt by due process of law. <i>The trials for the semifinals began yesterday.</i>
upsets	A physical condition in which there is a disturbance of normal functioning. <i>Everyone gets stomach upsets from time to time.</i>
vicissitudes	Mutability in life or nature (especially successive alternation from one condition to another). <i>The project was subject to the usual vicissitudes of exploratory research.</i>



Usage Examples of "Down" as a noun

- *There had been more downs than ups during his years at the company.*
- *You have four downs to gain ten yards.*
- *Everyone gets their downs, their depressive periods.*



Down as a Verb

Definitions of "Down" as a verb

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

- *Knock or bring to the ground.*
- *Improve or perfect by pruning or polishing.*
- *Bring down or defeat (an opponent).*
- *Cause to come or go down.*
- *Eat immoderately.*
- *Put (the ball) out of play deliberately by touching one's knee to the ground while holding the ball or touching the ball itself to the ground.*
- *Consume (something, typically a drink).*
- *Drink down entirely.*

- *Sink (a putt.*
- *Shoot at and force to come down.*
- *Eat up completely, as with great appetite.*



Synonyms of "Down" as a verb (45 Words)

belt down	Sing loudly and forcefully.
bolt down	Move or jump suddenly.
bring down	Bring into a different state.
bring to the ground	Be sold for a certain price.
consume	Serve oneself to or consume regularly. <i>The effort to pass the exam consumed all his energy.</i>
cut down	Cut down on make a reduction in.
<u>demolish</u>	Pull or knock down (a building). <i>The professor demolished the student s argument.</i>

devour	Read quickly and eagerly. <i>He devoured half of his burger in one bite.</i>
drain	Empty of liquid drain the liquid from. <i>Polly felt the blood drain from her face.</i>
drink	Drink excessive amounts of alcohol be an alcoholic. <i>The mother drinks in every word of her son on the stage.</i>
drink down	Drink excessive amounts of alcohol; be an alcoholic.
drink up	Propose a toast to.
fell	Cause to fall by or as if by delivering a blow.
fine-tune	Adjust finely.
finish off	Come or bring to a finish or an end.
go through	Go through in search of something search through someone s belongings in an unauthorized way.
gulp	Breathe in (air) deeply and quickly. <i>She gulped back the tears.</i>
gulp down	Utter or make a noise, as when swallowing too quickly.
guzzle	Drink greedily or as if with great thirst. <i>He would guzzle his ale.</i>
imbibe	Drink (alcohol). <i>If one does not imbibe the culture one cannot succeed.</i>
knock down	Deliver a sharp blow or push.
knock over	Rap with the knuckles.
knock to the ground	Rap with the knuckles.
land	Put someone or something on land from a boat. <i>The plane landed in Istanbul.</i>
polish	Improve or perfect by pruning or polishing. <i>He s got to polish up his French for his job.</i>
polish off	Improve or perfect by pruning or polishing.
pop	Of a person s ears make a small popping sound within the head as pressure is equalized typically because of a change of altitude. <i>He popped me on the head.</i>
pour down	Rain heavily.
prostrate	Get into a prostrate position as in submission. <i>She was so prostrated by migraine that she could scarcely totter up the stairs to bed.</i>

pull down	Apply force so as to cause motion towards the source of the motion.
push down	Approach a certain age or speed.
quaff	To swallow hurriedly or greedily or in one draught. <i>He quaffed pint after pint of good Berkshire ale.</i>
<u>refine</u>	Reduce to a fine, unmixed, or pure state; separate from extraneous matter or cleanse from impurities. <i>Sugar was refined by boiling it in huge iron vats.</i>
shoot down	Run or move very quickly or hastily.
<u>sip</u>	Drink in sips. <i>She sipped at her tea.</i>
slurp	Eat noisily. <i>She slurped her coffee.</i>
sup	Take solid or liquid food into the mouth a little at a time either by drinking or by eating with a spoon. <i>He was supping straight from the bottle.</i>
swallow	Enclose or envelop completely as if by swallowing. <i>She swallowed hard sniffing back her tears.</i>
tackle	Try to stop the forward progress of (the ball carrier) by seizing them and knocking them to the ground. <i>Police have launched an initiative to tackle rising crime.</i>
throw to the ground	Place or put with great energy.
topple	Cause to topple or tumble by pushing. <i>Disagreement had threatened to topple the government.</i>
toss off	Throw or toss with a light motion.
trip up	Get high, stoned, or drugged.



Usage Examples of "Down" as a verb

- *He downed three martinis before dinner.*
- *He downed five pints of cider.*
- *Jones downed the ball in the end zone.*
- *Some people can down a pound of meat in the course of one meal.*
- *The mugger knocked down the old lady after she refused to hand over her wallet.*
- *He downed a 20-foot putt for victory.*
- *The policeman downed the heavily armed suspect.*
- *175 enemy aircraft had been downed.*
- *He struck Slater on the face, downing him.*



Down as an Adjective

Definitions of "Down" as an adjective

According to the [Oxford Dictionary of English](#), "down" as an adjective can have the following definitions:

- *Aware of and following the latest fashion.*
- *Filled with melancholy and despondency.*
- *Being put out by a strikeout.*
- *Unhappy or depressed.*
- *Relating to or denoting trains travelling away from the main terminus.*
- *Being or moving lower in position or less in some value.*

- *Directed or moving towards a lower place or position.*
- *Not functioning (temporarily or permanently).*
- *Supporting or going along with someone or something.*
- *Understood perfectly.*
- *Extending or moving from a higher to a lower place.*
- *Denoting a flavour (variety) of stable quark having relatively low mass and an electric charge of $-1/3$. In the Standard Model protons and neutrons are composed of up and down quarks.*
- *Lower than previously.*
- *Becoming progressively lower.*
- *Shut.*
- *(of a computer system) temporarily out of action or unavailable.*



Synonyms of "Down" as an adjective (41 Words)

acting up

Serving temporarily especially as a substitute.

blue	Of a ski run of the second lowest level of difficulty as indicated by blue markers positioned along it. <i>A blue day.</i>
<u>broken</u>	Having been broken. <i>He went to his grave a broken man.</i>
broken-down	In deplorable condition.
<u>defective</u>	Imperfect or faulty. <i>Defective speech.</i>
dejected	Sad and depressed; dispirited. <i>Is dejected but trying to look cheerful.</i>
depressed	Flattened downward as if pressed from above or flattened along the dorsal and ventral surfaces. <i>She felt lonely and depressed.</i>
despondent	In low spirits from loss of hope or courage. <i>She grew more and more despondent.</i>
<u>disheartened</u>	Made less hopeful or enthusiastic. <i>A disheartened tone of voice.</i>
dismal	(of a person or their mood) gloomy. <i>The first dismal dispiriting days of November.</i>
dispirited	Filled with melancholy and despondency. <i>A dispirited and resigned expression on her face.</i>
down in the mouth	Shut.
down pat	Being put out by a strikeout.
downcast	(of a person) feeling despondent. <i>You mustn't be downcast.</i>
downhearted	Discouraged; in low spirits. <i>Fans must not be downhearted even though we lost.</i>
downward	Moving or leading towards a lower place or level. <i>The downward pull of gravity.</i>
<u>faulty</u>	Not working or made correctly; having defects. <i>Her character was faulty.</i>
<u>gloomy</u>	Depressingly dark. <i>Gloomy at the thought of what he had to face.</i>
<u>glum</u>	Moody and melancholic. <i>The princess looked glum but later cheered up.</i>
<u>grim</u>	Shockingly repellent; inspiring horror. <i>Few creatures thrive in this grim and hostile land.</i>

in disrepair	Directed or bound inward.
in low spirits	Directed or bound inward.
inoperative	Not working or taking effect. <i>The Act may be rendered inoperative.</i>
low	Below average in amount extent or intensity. <i>A low cut black dress.</i>
low-spirited	Filled with melancholy and despondency.
malfunctioning	Not performing or able to perform its regular function. <i>A malfunctioning valve.</i>
mastered	Understood perfectly.
melancholy	Having a feeling of melancholy sad and pensive. <i>The melancholy tone of her writing.</i>
miserable	Very unhappy; full of misery. <i>All they pay me is a miserable 8 000 a year.</i>
morose	Showing a brooding ill humor- Bruce Bli. <i>She was morose and silent when she got home.</i>
not functional	Involving or affecting function rather than physiology.
not in operation	Directed or bound inward.
not in working order	Directed or bound inward.
not working	Adopted as a temporary basis for further work.
out of order	Outer or outlying.
sad	Of things that make you feel sad Christina Rossetti. <i>Her clothes were in sad shape.</i>
sorrowful	Feeling or showing grief. <i>Even in laughter the heart is sorrowful.</i>
tearful	Showing sorrow. <i>Tearful entreaties.</i>
unhappy	Unfortunate. <i>Many were unhappy about the scale of the cuts.</i>
unserviceable	Not in working order or fulfilling its function adequately; unfit for use. <i>Unserviceable equipment may be replaced.</i>
wretched	(of a person) in a very unhappy or unfortunate state. <i>Wretched prisoners huddled in stinking cages.</i>



Usage Examples of "Down" as an adjective

- *Sorry, but the computer's down.*
- *She was totally down for a selfie.*
- *The down trend in the real estate market.*
- *The stock market is down today.*
- *The shades were down.*
- *Click on the down arrow.*
- *A seriously down, hip-hop homie.*
- *The down escalator.*
- *We can't work because the computer is down.*
- *Prices are down.*
- *You got to be down with me.*
- *'You going to the movies?' 'Yo, I'm down.*
- *The downward course of the stream.*
- *Two down in the bottom of the ninth.*

- *The moon is down.*
- *Feeling discouraged and downhearted.*
- *Had his algebra problems down.*
- *Lay face down.*
- *Down by a pawn.*
- *We travelled on the first down train.*
- *Our team is down by a run.*
- *He's been so down lately.*
- *The down staircase.*
- *Downcast after his defeat.*



Down as an Adverb

Definitions of "Down" as an adverb

According to the [Oxford Dictionary of English](#), “down” as an adverb can have the following

definitions:

- *Paid in cash at time of purchase.*
- *To a lower intensity.*
- *(of a computer system) out of action or unavailable for use.*
- *To or at a place perceived as lower (often expressing casualness or lack of hurry).*
- *In an inactive or inoperative state.*
- *To or at a lower price, value, or rank.*
- *Referring to a crossword answer which reads vertically.*
- *Expressing movement or position away from the north.*
- *(of the ball or a player in possession) not in play, typically through progress being stopped.*
- *Losing or at a disadvantage by a specified amount.*
- *To a finer consistency, a smaller amount or size, or a simpler or more basic state.*
- *Shouted to express strong dislike of a specified person or thing.*
- *Spatially or metaphorically from a higher to a lower level or position.*
- *To or at a lower level of intensity, volume, or activity.*
- *Used as a command to a person or animal to sit or lie down.*
- *Used to express progress through a series of tasks or items.*
- *So as to lie or be fixed flush or flat.*
- *(of sailing) with the current or the wind.*
- *(of a ship's helm) moved round to leeward so that the rudder is to windward and the vessel swings toward the wind.*
- *Downstairs.*
- *In or into a weaker or worse position, mood, or condition.*
- *Away from a more central or a more northerly place.*
- *Away from a university, especially Oxford or Cambridge.*
- *From an earlier to a later point in time or order.*
- *(with reference to partial payment of a sum of money) made initially or on the spot.*
- *Towards or in a lower place or position, especially to or on the ground or another surface.*
- *In or into writing.*
- *(with reference to food or drink swallowed) in or into the stomach.*
- *At or to a specified distance below.*
- *Away from the capital or major city.*
- *On or on to a list, schedule, or record.*
- *From an earlier time.*



Synonyms of "Down" as an adverb (6 Words)

downstairs	On or to a lower floor. <i>She called him downstairs.</i>
downward	Towards a lower place, point, or level. <i>Prices plunged downward.</i>
downwardly	Spatially or metaphorically from a higher to a lower level or position.
downwards	Spatially or metaphorically from a higher to a lower level or position.
in a lower position	To or toward the inside of.
<u>over</u>	Over the entire area. <i>He leant over and tapped me on the hand.</i>



Usage Examples of "Down" as an adverb

- *Everyone, from the President down to the bloke selling hot dogs, wants her dead.*
- *She stuck down a Christmas label.*
- *He was down from Oxford.*
- *She couldn't keep anything down.*
- *I went down to put the kettle on.*
- *Down, boy!*
- *He swung the axe to chop down the tree.*
- *The scandal brought down the government.*
- *She looked down.*
- *Keep the noise down.*
- *I'm going down to the pub.*
- *At night it would cool down.*
- *I'd rather be down at the villa.*
- *One down and only six more to go.*

- *Output was down by 20 per cent.*
- *He put his glass down.*
- *I must slim down a bit.*
- *He was down with the flu.*
- *Prices plunged downward.*
- *Thin down an oil-based paint with spirits.*
- *I'll put you down for the evening shift.*
- *Soup is down from 59p to 49p.*
- *Don't fall down.*
- *Buildings in England down to 1540.*
- *Taking down notes.*
- *You can plainly see the bottom 35 feet down.*
- *Graham noted the numbers down carefully.*
- *United were 3-0 down.*
- *The system went down yesterday.*
- *A formal statement that can't be edited down.*
- *The panic was dying down.*
- *Rode the lift up and skied down.*
- *The sun started to go down.*
- *Crowds chanted 'Down with America.'*
- *Pay £5 down and the rest at the end of the month.*
- *How many letters in fifteen down?*
- *They're living down south.*
- *There are eight trains a day, four up and four down.*



Associations of "Down" (30 Words)

[curtail](#)

Reduce in extent or quantity; impose a restriction on.

*Personal freedom is **curtailed** in many countries.*

debase

Corrupt debase or make impure by adding a foreign or inferior substance often by replacing valuable ingredients with inferior ones.

*The King was forced to **debase** the coinage.*

declension

The inflection of nouns and pronouns and adjectives in Indo-European languages.

*The **declension** of the new generation.*

decline

Show unwillingness towards.

*The roof **declines** here.*

declivity

A downward slope.

*A thickly wooded **declivity**.*

decrease	Decrease in size extent or range. <i>The rate of decrease became greater.</i>
demoralize	Cause (someone) to lose confidence or hope. <i>The bad state of her child s health demoralizes her.</i>
<u>depletion</u>	The state of being depleted. <i>The depletion of the ozone layer.</i>
<u>depress</u>	Lessen the activity or force of. <i>Alcohol depresses the nervous system.</i>
descend	Move down a scale of quality. <i>A flight of stairs descended a steep slope.</i>
descending	Moving or sloping downwards. <i>A passage of descending chords.</i>
<u>descent</u>	A sudden violent attack. <i>A descent on the Channel ports.</i>
diminish	Lessen the authority, dignity, or reputation of. <i>The pain will gradually diminish.</i>
<u>diminution</u>	A reduction in the size, extent, or importance of something. <i>The disease shows no signs of diminution.</i>
disparagement	The act of speaking contemptuously of.
downgrade	An instance of reducing someone or something's rank, status, or level of importance. <i>A steep downgrade for which he had to put the car in second.</i>
<u>downturn</u>	A worsening of business or economic activity. <i>A downturn in the housing market.</i>
drop	A section of theatrical scenery lowered from the flies a drop cloth or drop curtain. <i>East drops the 10 on the second round.</i>
<u>falling</u>	Decreasing in amount or degree. <i>Falling temperature.</i>
lessen	Make smaller. <i>The years have lessened the gap in age between us.</i>
<u>low</u>	Below average in amount extent or intensity. <i>The river was low.</i>
<u>lower</u>	Move something or somebody to a lower position. <i>Lower expectations.</i>
reduce	Reduce in scope while retaining essential elements. <i>The cook reduced the sauce by boiling it for a long time.</i>

- reduction** The simplification of a subject or problem to a particular form in presentation or analysis.
*The reaction is limited to **reduction** to the hydrocarbon.*
- retrench** Make (an employee) redundant.
*Right wing parties which seek to **retrench** the welfare state.*
(especially of a building or area) in a poor or neglected state after having been prosperous.
*He gave his teammates a **rundown** on the opposition.*
- sink** Fall or sink heavily.
*They planned to **sink** a gold mine in Oklahoma.*
- submergence** The process or state of being submerged in or covered with water.
*Total **submergence** of plants results in heavy crop losses.*
- substrate** An underlying substance or layer.
*Optical disk **substrates**.*
- under** Under water.
*The **under** parts of a machine.*

