

Need another word that means the same as "enemy"? Find 13 synonyms and 30 related words for "enemy" in this overview.

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The synonyms of "Enemy" are: foe, foeman, opposition, adversary, opponent, rival, nemesis, antagonist, combatant, challenger, competitor, opposer, hostile party

Enemy as a Noun

Definitions of "Enemy" as a noun

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

- A personal enemy.
- An armed adversary (especially a member of an opposing military force.
- A person who is actively opposed or hostile to someone or something.
- Any hostile group of people.
- A hostile nation or its armed forces, especially in time of war.
- A thing that harms or weakens something else.
- An opposing military force.





Synonyms of "Enemy" as a noun (13 Words)

adversary Someone who offers opposition.

Davis beat his old **adversary** in the quarter finals.

antagonist A muscle that relaxes while another contracts.

He turned to confront his antagonist.

A person who disputes the truth of or places themselves in opposition to

challenger something.

A potential **challenger** for the party leadership.

combatant A person engaged in conflict or competition with another.

A long time **combatant** for the control of Newcastle FC.

An organization or country engaged in commercial or economic competition

competitor with others.

Our main industrial competitors.

foe A personal enemy.

His work was praised by friends and **foe**s alike.



rival

foeman An armed adversary (especially a member of an opposing military force.

hostile party Troops belonging to the enemy's military forces.

nemesis

The inescapable agent of someone's or something's downfall.

One risks **nemesis** by uttering such words.

opponentA person who disagrees with or resists a proposal or practice.

The news will delight exponents of CM foods.

The news will delight **opponent**s of GM foods.

opposer Someone who offers opposition.

The action of opposing something that you disapprove or disagree with.

The invaders encountered stiff **opposition**.

A person or thing competing with another for the same objective or for

superiority in the same field of activity.

Gun battles between **rival** gangs.

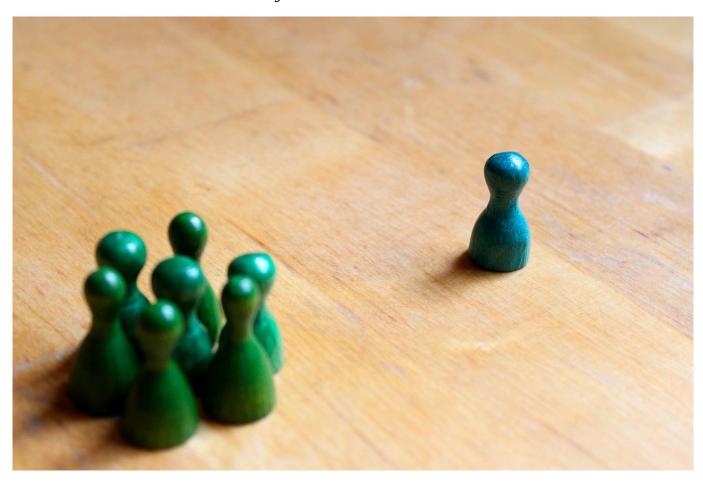


Usage Examples of "Enemy" as a noun

- The enemy shot down four helicopters.
- The traditional enemies of his tribe.



- He viewed lawyers as the real enemy.
- Nigel made many enemies.
- Routine is the enemy of art.
- The enemy attacked at dawn.
- Enemy aircraft.
- This man was her sworn enemy.



Associations of "Enemy" (30 Words)

adversary Someone who offers opposition.

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A person who actively opposes or is hostile to someone or something; an

antagonist adversary.

He turned to confront his **antagonist**.

Take revenge for a perceived wrong.

He vowed in silent fervour to **avenge** their murders.



challenger The contestant you hope to defeat.

A serious **challenger** for the title.

Compete for something engage in a contest measure oneself against others.

He **compete**d with a number of other candidates.

competitor The contestant you hope to defeat.

Two **competitor**s were banned for taking drugs.

contender The contestant you hope to defeat.

A presidential **contender**.

Fire from two or more points so that the lines of fire cross.

crossfire The sponsors are caught in the **crossfire** of the battle between the world

champion and his team boss.

The act of protesting a public often organized manifestation of dissent.

He expressed his **dissent** in a contrary opinion.

dissident A person who dissents from some established policy.

A **dissident** who had been jailed by a military regime.

foe An armed adversary (especially a member of an opposing military force.

They had been political **foe**s for years.

hostile Showing or feeling opposition or dislike; unfriendly.

The brewery fought off a **hostile** takeover bid last year.

Retributive justice.

nemesis
Will Harry Potter finally defeat his nemesis Voldemort.

A person who dissents from some established policy.

objector Objectors claim the motorway will damage the environment.

Someone who competes with or opposes another in a contest, game, or

opponent argument.

The news will delight **opponent**s of GM foods.

Set into opposition or rivalry.

oppose

A majority of the electorate opposed EC membership.

opposed In conflict with or hostile to.

Parties **opposed** to the ruling party.

opposing (of two or more subjects) differing from or in conflict with each other.

Opponent or **opposing** armies.

opposition A body of people united in opposing something.

Her Majesty s loyal **opposition**.

reprisal

The forcible seizure of a foreign subject or their goods as an act of retaliation.

The threat of **reprisal**.

requital An act of requiting; returning in kind.



retaliate Make an attack in return for a similar attack.

They used their abilities to **retaliate** the injury.

retribution The act of correcting for your wrongdoing.

The swiftness of divine **retribution**.

revenge Inflict revenge on behalf of someone else.

It s a pity he chose that way to **revenge** his sister.

rival Be the rival of be in competition with.

He had respect for his **rival**s.

spurn An act of spurning.

He spoke gruffly as if afraid that his invitation would be **spurn**ed.

The act of taking revenge (harming someone in retaliation for something

harmful that they have done) especially in the next life.

vengeanceFor **vengeance** I would do nothing This nation is too great to look for mere

revenge.

vengeful Seeking to harm someone in return for a perceived injury.

A vengeful ex con.

Compete eagerly with someone in order to do or achieve something.

The athletes were vying for a place in the British team.

vindictive Disposed to seek revenge or intended for revenge.

More **vindictive** than jealous love.

