

Need another word that means the same as “fan”? Find 25 synonyms and 30 related words for “fan” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Fan” are: rooter, sports fan, buff, devotee, lover, air cooler, air conditioner, ventilator, blower, aerator, winnow, cool, air, aerate, blow, ventilate, intensify, increase, agitate, inflame, exacerbate, spread, open, branch, stretch**

## Fan as a Noun

### Definitions of "Fan" as a noun

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

- *A thing resembling an open fan.*
- *An apparatus with rotating blades that creates a current of air for cooling or ventilation.*
- *An enthusiastic devotee of sports.*
- *A fan-shaped alluvial or talus deposit at the foot of a slope.*
- *An ardent follower and admirer.*
- *A small sail for keeping the head of a windmill towards the wind.*
- *A handheld device, typically folding and shaped like a segment of a circle when spread out, that is waved so as to cool the person holding it.*
- *A device for creating a current of air by movement of a surface or surfaces.*



## Synonyms of "Fan" as a noun (10 Words)

- aerator** An apparatus for exposing something to the air (as sewage).
- air conditioner** Once thought to be one of four elements composing the universe (Empedocles).
- air cooler** Once thought to be one of four elements composing the universe (Empedocles).
- blower** A device that produces a current of air.  
*I've been trying to get hold of you on the **blower**.*
- buff** A soft thick undyed leather from the skins of e.g. buffalo or oxen.  
*A **buff** envelope.*
- devotee** A person who is very interested in and enthusiastic about someone or something.  
*A **devotee** of Lewis Carroll.*
- lover** A person who loves someone or is loved by someone.  
*They had been **lovers** for years.*

- rooter** A supporter or fan of a sports team or player.  
*Ringside **rooters** rose to salute him.*
- sports fan** A person known for the way she (or he) behaves when teased or defeated or subjected to trying circumstances.
- ventilator** A device (such as a fan) that introduces fresh air or expels foul air.



### Usage Examples of "Fan" as a noun

- *There are great waste fans at the foot of the Andes in the desert.*
- *The kitchen may need to be fitted with an extractor fan.*
- *Fan vaulting.*
- *The girls were giggling behind their fans.*
- *A couple of ceiling fans, lazily turning.*



## Fan as a Verb

### Definitions of "Fan" as a verb

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

- *Separate the chaff from by using air currents.*
- *(of breath or a breeze) blow gently on.*
- *Strike out (a batter), (of a pitcher).*
- *Strike out (a batter).*
- *Disperse or radiate from a central point to cover a wide area.*
- *Spread out or cause to spread out into a semicircular shape.*
- *Cool (someone or something) by waving an object to create a current of air.*
- *Blow away or off with a current of air.*
- *Cause (a belief or emotion) to become stronger or more widespread.*

- Increase the strength of (a fire) by blowing on it or stirring up the air near it.
- Swing unsuccessfully at the ball or puck.
- Agitate the air.
- Make (an emotion) fiercer.
- Brush or drive away with a waving movement.



## Synonyms of "Fan" as a verb (15 Words)

- aerate** Aerate sewage so as to favor the growth of organisms that decompose organic matter.  
***Aerate** your old sneakers.*
- agitate** Cause to be agitated excited or roused.  
*The thought of questioning Toby **agitated** him extremely.*
- air** Go out in the fresh air.  
*A meeting in which long standing grievances were **aired**.*
- blow** Free of obstruction by blowing air through.  
*The fuse had **blown**.*
- branch** Grow and send out branches or branch like structures.  
*This rose has a tendency to **branch** and spread at the top.*

- cool** Make cool or cooler.  
*George was trying to **cool** him down.*
- exacerbate** Make (a problem, bad situation, or negative feeling) worse.  
*The strong pound has **exacerbated** the situation by making it much harder for UK companies to compete on price.*
- increase** Become or make greater in size, amount, or degree.  
*The university **increased** the number of students it admitted.*
- inflame** Become inflamed get sore.  
*The repetitive motion **inflamed** her joint.*
- intensify** Become or make more intense.  
*The dispute began to **intensify**.*
- open** Have an opening or passage or outlet.  
*She began to teach and **opened** her own school.*
- spread** Become distributed or widespread.  
*You can **spread** the payments over as long a period as you like.*
- stretch** Extend or stretch out to a greater or the full length.  
*The park **stretched** beneath the train line.*
- ventilate** Circulate through and freshen.  
*The patient was sedated and **ventilated**.*
- winnow** Remove (people or things) from a group until only the best ones are left.  
*Guidelines that would help **winnow** out those not fit to be soldiers.*



## Usage Examples of "Fan" as a verb

- *He had fanned 37 times in 83 at-bats.*
- *A wind fanned her hair out behind her.*
- *A veil of smoke which she fanned away with a jewelled hand.*
- *A dress made of tiny pleats that fanned out as she walked.*
- *He fanned himself with his hat.*
- *Fan hatred.*
- *Norris fanned nine batters with his screwball.*
- *The speaker ceased to be an amusing little gnat to be fanned away and was kicked off the forum.*
- *Fanned by an easterly wind, the fire spread rapidly.*
- *His breath fanned her skin as he leant towards her.*
- *The arriving passengers began to fan out through the town in search of lodgings.*
- *A fury fanned by press coverage.*



## Associations of "Fan" (30 Words)

- addict** A person who is addicted to a particular substance typically an illegal drug.  
*A self confessed chocolate **addict**.*
- ardent** Glowing or shining like fire- Alexander Pope.  
*The **ardent** flames.*
- baseboard** A molding covering the joint formed by a wall and the floor.
- boyfriend** A man who is the lover of a girl or young woman.  
*A **boyfriend** cardigan.*
- buff** A soft thick undyed leather from the skins of e g buffalo or oxen.  
*He **buffed** the glass until it gleamed.*
- concubine** A mistress.
- devotee** An ardent follower and admirer.  
*A **devotee** of Lewis Carroll.*



<b>distinguished</b>	Used of a person's appearance or behavior; befitting an eminent person. <i>A <b>distinguished</b> American educationist.</i>
<b>enthusiast</b>	An ardent and enthusiastic supporter of some person or activity. <i>A sports car <b>enthusiast</b>.</i>
<b>famous</b>	Excellent. <i>Galway stormed to a <b>famous</b> victory.</i>
<b>fancier</b>	A connoisseur or enthusiast of something, especially someone who has a special interest in or breeds a particular animal. <i>A pigeon <b>fancier</b>.</i>
<b>freak</b>	A person who is obsessed with a particular activity or interest. <i>He used to be called a <b>freak</b> at school and knows how much it hurts.</i>
<b>girlfriend</b>	Any female friend. <i>Mary and her <b>girlfriend</b> organized the party.</i>
<b>guy</b>	Steady or support with a guy wire or cable. <i>The Italians <b>guyed</b> the Tower of Pisa to prevent it from collapsing.</i>
<b>heater</b>	(baseball) a pitch thrown with maximum velocity. <i>We lined up with our right hands on our <b>heaters</b> in our side pockets.</i>
<b>idolater</b>	A person who worships an idol or idols.
<b>idolatry</b>	Religious zeal; the willingness to serve God. <i>We must not allow our <b>idolatry</b> of art to obscure issues of political significance.</i>
<b>lover</b>	A person who likes or enjoys a specified thing. <i>Music <b>lovers</b>.</i>
<b>mistress</b>	The female owner of a dog, cat, or other domesticated animal. <i>He asked for the <b>mistress</b> of the house.</i>
<b>moll</b>	The girlfriend of a gangster. <i>I'd rush the money over to his <b>moll</b>.</i>
<b>partisan</b>	An ardent and enthusiastic supporter of some person or activity. <i>It is not in the nature of <b>partisan</b> warfare to produce victory in the field.</i>
<b>passion</b>	A state or outburst of strong emotion. <i>A man of impetuous <b>passion</b>.</i>
<b>popular</b>	(of a belief or attitude) held by the majority of the general public. <i>Cabbage patch dolls are no longer <b>popular</b>.</i>
<b>star</b>	Decorate or cover with star shaped marks or objects. <i>MPs suggested giving ferries <b>star</b> ratings.</i>
<b>vaporizer</b>	A device that generates a particular substance in the form of vapour, especially for medicinal inhalation.

<b>votary</b>	A devoted (almost religiously so) adherent of a cause or person or activity. <i>He was a <b>votary</b> of John Keats.</i>
<b>warmer</b>	Device that heats water or supplies warmth to a room. <i>Winter <b>warmers</b> like steamed syrup sponge.</i>
<b>wife</b>	The wife of a person with a specified occupation. <i>He and his <b>wife</b> are keen gardeners.</i>
<b>zealot</b>	A member of an ancient Jewish sect that aimed at a world Jewish theocracy and resisted the Romans until AD 70.
<b>zealotry</b>	Fanatical and uncompromising pursuit of religious, political, or other ideals; fanaticism. <i>He expressed concern about religious <b>zealotry</b> playing an increasing role in politics.</i>

