

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>I've been trying to get hold of you on the blower.</i>
buff	A soft thick undyed leather from the skins of e g buffalo or oxen. <i>A buff envelope.</i>
devotee	A person who is very interested in and enthusiastic about someone or something. <i>A devotee of Lewis Carroll.</i>
lover	A person who loves someone or is loved by someone. <i>They had been lovers for years.</i>

rooter	A supporter or fan of a sports team or player. <i>Ringside rooters rose to salute him.</i>
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. <i>Aerate your old sneakers.</i>
agitate	Cause to be agitated excited or roused. <i>The thought of questioning Toby agitated him extremely.</i>
air	Go out in the fresh air. <i>A meeting in which long standing grievances were aired.</i>
blow	Free of obstruction by blowing air through. <i>The fuse had blown.</i>
<u>branch</u>	Grow and send out branches or branch like structures. <i>This rose has a tendency to branch and spread at the top.</i>

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



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. <i>A self confessed chocolate addict.</i>
ardent	Glowing or shining like fire- Alexander Pope. <i>The ardent flames.</i>
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. <i>A boyfriend cardigan.</i>
buff	A soft thick undyed leather from the skins of e g buffalo or oxen. <i>He buffed the glass until it gleamed.</i>
concubine	A mistress.
devotee	An ardent follower and admirer. <i>A devotee of Lewis Carroll.</i>

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

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

