

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

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The synonyms of “Fathom” are: sound, bottom, penetrate, understand, comprehend, work out, fathom out, make sense of, grasp, catch, follow, perceive, make out, divine, search out, ferret out, puzzle out, take in, assimilate, absorb, get to the bottom of, measure the depth of, plumb, probe, fthm

Fathom as a Noun

Definitions of "Fathom" as a noun

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

- *(mining) a unit of volume (equal to 6 cubic feet) used in measuring bodies of ore.*
- *A linear unit of measurement (equal to 6 feet) for water depth.*
- *A unit of volume (equal to 6 cubic feet) used in measuring bodies of ore.*
- *A unit of length equal to six feet (1.8 metres), chiefly used in reference to the depth of water.*



Synonyms of "Fathom" as a noun (1 Word)

fthm (mining) a unit of volume (equal to 6 cubic feet) used in measuring bodies of ore.



Usage Examples of "Fathom" as a noun

- *Sonar says that we're in eighteen fathoms.*

Fathom as a Verb

Definitions of "Fathom" as a verb

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

- *Understand (a difficult problem or an enigmatic person) after much thought.*
- *Come to understand.*
- *Measure the depth of (a body of water) with a sounding line.*
- *Measure the depth of (water).*

Synonyms of "Fathom" as a verb (24 Words)

absorb	Become imbued. <i>Arms spending absorbs roughly two per cent of the national income.</i>
assimilate	Become similar in sound. <i>The nasal assimilates to the following consonant.</i>
bottom	Provide with a bottom or a seat. <i>He s bottomed on opal there.</i>
catch	Dismiss a batsman by catching the ball before it touches the ground. <i>Did you catch that allusion.</i>
comprehend	Include, comprise, or encompass. <i>He couldn t comprehend her reasons for marrying Lovat.</i>
<u>divine</u>	Search by divining, as if with a rod. <i>He claimed he could divine underground water.</i>
fathom out	Come to understand.
ferret out	Hunt with ferrets.
follow	Accept and follow the leadership or command or guidance of. <i>A terrible tsunami followed the earthquake.</i>
get to the bottom of	Reach a destination; arrive by movement or progress.
<u>grasp</u>	Seize and hold firmly. <i>Many companies grasped the opportunity to expand.</i>
make out	Give certain properties to something.
make sense of	Reach a goal, e.g.
measure the depth of	Express as a number or measure or quantity.
<u>perceive</u>	Become conscious of. <i>She finally perceived the futility of her protest.</i>
plumb	Adjust with a plumb line so as to make vertical. <i>At its deepest the lake scarcely plumbed seven feet.</i>
probe	Examine physically with or as if with a probe. <i>What right had he to probe into her personal life.</i>
puzzle out	Be a mystery or bewildering to.
search out	Search or seek.
sound	Emit or cause to emit sound. <i>It sounds as though you really do believe that.</i>

take in	Take into consideration for exemplifying purposes.
understand	Be understanding of. <i>I understand you re at art school.</i>
work out	Give a workout to.

Usage Examples of "Fathom" as a verb

- *An attempt to fathom the ocean.*
- *He couldn't fathom why she was being so anxious.*
- *The locals could not fathom out the reason behind his new-found prosperity.*

Associations of "Fathom" (30 Words)

ammeter	An instrument for measuring electric current in amperes.
breadth	The capacity to understand a broad range of topics. <i>The minister is not noted for his breadth of vision.</i>
calibrate	Make fine adjustments or divide into marked intervals for optimal measuring. <i>He calibrated the thermometer for the Celsius scale.</i>
calorimeter	A measuring instrument that determines quantities of heat.
count	Include as if by counting. <i>They counted up their change.</i>
depth	The intellectual ability to penetrate deeply into ideas. <i>4 a m in the depths of winter.</i>
dimension	An expression for a derived physical quantity in terms of fundamental quantities such as mass length or time raised to the appropriate power acceleration for example having the dimension of length time. <i>We must focus on the cultural dimensions of the problem.</i>
estimate	Judge tentatively or form an estimate of quantities or time. <i>I estimate this chicken to weigh three pounds.</i>
extent	The distance or area or volume over which something extends. <i>The vast extent of the desert.</i>
fathomable	(of depth) capable of being sounded or measured for depth.
gage	Offer (an object or one's life) as a guarantee of good faith. <i>A guide sent to them by the headman of this place gaged his life as a forfeit if he failed.</i>

gauge	Measure the dimensions of an object with a gauge. <i>A fuel gauge.</i>
inch	As a unit of map scale so many inches representing one mile on the ground. <i>The toy train is four inches long.</i>
magnitude	A number assigned to the ratio of two quantities two quantities are of the same order of magnitude if one is less than 10 times as large as the other the number of magnitudes that the quantities differ is specified to within a power o. <i>Electorates of less than average magnitude.</i>
measurable	Something that can be quantified, especially a sports player's height and weight. <i>A small but measurable improvement in behaviour.</i>
measure	Express as a number or measure or quantity. <i>Now tread we a measure.</i>
meter	Measure with a meter. <i>Meter the flow of water.</i>
metric	The metric system. <i>The metric system.</i>
micrometer	A gauge that measures small distances or thicknesses between its two faces, one of which can be moved away from or towards the other by turning a screw with a fine thread.
quantifiable	Capable of being quantified. <i>Quantifiable data.</i>
quantify	Express or measure the quantity of. <i>Can you quantify your results.</i>
quantity	The figure or symbol representing a quantity. <i>Many people like to buy in quantity.</i>
ruler	A person exercising government or dominion.
tachometer	An instrument which measures the working speed of an engine (especially in a road vehicle), typically in revolutions per minute.
thick	Spoken as if with a thick tongue. <i>Thick smoke.</i>
touchstone	A piece of fine-grained dark schist or jasper formerly used for testing alloys of gold by observing the colour of the mark which they made on it. <i>They tend to regard grammar as the touchstone of all language performance.</i>
voltmeter	An instrument for measuring electric potential in volts.

A weathervane in the form of a cockerel.

weathercock *He sometimes has a problem with the boat **weathercocking** before she can gather way on a new tack.*

width

Wide range or extent.

*The **width** of experience required for these positions.*

yardstick

A measuring rod a yard long, typically divided into inches.

*On what kind of **yardstick** is he basing his judgment.*