

Need another word that means the same as “flattery”? Find 5 synonyms and 30 related words for “flattery” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Flattery” are: praise, adulation, compliments, admiration, pats on the back

Flattery as a Noun

Definitions of "Flattery" as a noun

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

- *Excessive or insincere praise.*
- *Excessive and insincere praise, given especially to further one's own interests.*



Synonyms of "Flattery" as a noun (5 Words)

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| <u>admiration</u> | Respect and warm approval. <i>I have the greatest admiration for all those involved in the project.</i> |
| adulation | Servile flattery; exaggerated and hypocritical praise. <i>He found it difficult to cope with the adulation of the fans.</i> |
| <u>compliments</u> | (usually plural) a polite expression of desire for someone's welfare. |
| pats on the back | A light touch or stroke. |
| praise | The expression of approval or admiration for someone or something. <i>They sang a hymn of praise to God.</i> |

Usage Examples of "Flattery" as a noun

- *She allowed no hint of flattery to enter her voice.*

Associations of "Flattery" (30 Words)

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| acclaim | Enthusiastic approval. <i>The conference was acclaimed as a considerable success.</i> |
| adulation | Servile flattery; exaggerated and hypocritical praise. <i>He found it difficult to cope with the adulation of the fans.</i> |
| adulatory | Excessively praising or admiring. <i>An adulatory review.</i> |
| bribe | A sum of money or other inducement offered or given to bribe someone. <i>Lawmakers were caught accepting bribes to bring in legalized gambling.</i> |
| bribery | The giving or offering of a bribe. <i>His opponent had been guilty of bribery and corruption.</i> |
| cajolery | Coaxing or flattery intended to persuade someone to do something. <i>She uses cajolery deception and manipulation to get what she wants.</i> |
| charm | Induce into action by using one's charm. <i>She will charm your warts away.</i> |
| compliment | Express respect or esteem for. <i>My compliments on your cooking.</i> |
| extol | Praise, glorify, or honor. <i>He extolled the virtues of the Russian peoples.</i> |
| fawning | Attempting to win favor from influential people by flattery. <i>Fawning adoration.</i> |
| flattering | Showing or representing to advantage. <i>The article began with some flattering words about us.</i> |
| groveling | Totally submissive. |
| hypocritical | Professing feelings or virtues one does not have. <i>We don't go to church and we thought it would be hypocritical to have him christened.</i> |
| ingratiate | Gain favor with somebody by deliberate efforts. <i>A sycophantic attempt to ingratiate herself with the local aristocracy.</i> |
| ingratiating | Intended to gain approval or favour; sycophantic. <i>A smooth ingratiating manner.</i> |
| insincere | Not expressing genuine feelings. <i>Their praise was extravagant and insincere.</i> |
| obsequious | Attempting to win favor from influential people by flattery. <i>Obsequious shop assistants.</i> |

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| <u>parasite</u> | An organism that lives in or on an organism of another species (its host) and benefits by deriving nutrients at the other's expense. <i>He was a parasite who lived off other people.</i> |
| persuade | Win approval or support for. <i>He did everything he could to persuade the police that he was the robber.</i> |
| praise | An expression of approval and commendation. <i>We praise God for past blessings.</i> |
| <u>servant</u> | In a subordinate position. <i>A government servant.</i> |
| servile | Relating to or involving slaves or appropriate for slaves or servants. <i>He bowed his head in a servile manner.</i> |
| slavish | Servile or submissive. <i>Slavish devotion to her job ruled her life.</i> |
| <u>slimy</u> | Covered by or resembling slime. <i>A slimy little liar.</i> |
| smarmy | Ingratiating and wheedling in a way that is regarded as insincere or excessive. <i>Smarmy self importance.</i> |
| submissive | Abjectly submissive characteristic of a slave or servant. <i>Replacing troublemakers with more submissive people.</i> |
| <u>subservient</u> | Less important; subordinate. <i>She was subservient to her parents.</i> |
| sycophant | A person who acts obsequiously towards someone important in order to gain advantage. |
| sycophantic | Attempting to win favor from influential people by flattery. <i>A sycophantic interview.</i> |
| unctuous | Unpleasantly and excessively suave or ingratiating in manner or speech. <i>The unctuous Uriah Heep.</i> |