

Need another word that means the same as “fly”? Find 98 synonyms and 30 related words for “fly” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Fly” are: fell, vanish, vaporize, wing, flee, take flight, aviate, pilot, travel through the air, wing its way, glide, soar, wheel, go by air, travel by air, go by plane, travel by plane, jet, operate, control, manoeuvre, steer, guide, direct, navigate, transport by air, transport by plane, airlift, lift, flutter, flap, wave, blow, waft, float, stream, display, show, exhibit, race, hurry, hasten, flash, dash, dart, rush, shoot, speed, hurtle, streak, spank along, whirl, whizz, go like lightning, go hell for leather, whoosh, buzz, zoom, swoop, blast, charge, go quickly, fly by, fly past, pass swiftly, slip past, rush past, run, run away, run off, make a run for it, run for it, be gone, make off, take off, take to one's heels, make a break for it, bolt, beat a retreat, beat a hasty retreat, make a quick exit, make one's getaway, escape, absent oneself, make oneself scarce, abscond, head for the hills, do a disappearing act, run away from, leave abruptly, leave hastily, escape from, fly sheet, rainfly, tent-fly, tent flap, fly front, fly ball**

## Fly as a Noun

### Definitions of "Fly" as a noun

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

- *An attempt.*

- *Fisherman's lure consisting of a fishhook decorated to look like an insect.*
- *The space over the stage in a theatre.*
- *Two-winged insects characterized by active flight.*
- *A hit that flies up in the air.*
- *Flap consisting of a piece of canvas that can be drawn back to provide entrance to a tent.*
- *(baseball) a hit that flies up in the air.*
- *A flap of material covering the opening or fastening of a garment or of a tent.*
- *An opening in a garment that is closed by a zipper or by buttons concealed under a fold of cloth.*
- *A one-horse hackney carriage.*
- *An opening at the crotch of a pair of trousers, closed with a zip or buttons and typically covered with a flap.*



## Synonyms of "Fly" as a noun (6 Words)

- fly ball** Flap consisting of a piece of canvas that can be drawn back to provide entrance to a tent.
- fly front** An opening in a garment that is closed by a zipper or by buttons concealed under a fold of cloth.
- fly sheet** Flap consisting of a piece of canvas that can be drawn back to provide entrance to a tent.
- rainfly** The flysheet of a tent.
- tent flap** A web that resembles a tent or carpet.
- tent-fly** Flap consisting of a piece of canvas that can be drawn back to provide entrance to a tent.



## Usage Examples of "Fly" as a noun

- *We decided to give it a fly.*



## Fly as a Verb

### Definitions of "Fly" as a verb

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

- *Control the flight of (an aircraft).*
- *Move or be hurled quickly through the air.*
- *Depart hastily.*
- *Change quickly from one emotional state to another.*
- *Travel in an airplane.*
- *Wave or flutter in the wind.*
- *(with reference to a flag) display or be displayed on a flagpole.*
- *Transport by aeroplane.*
- *Be dispersed or disseminated.*
- *Cause to fly or float.*
- *Release (a bird) to fly, especially a hawk for hunting or a pigeon for racing.*
- *Hit a fly.*

- *Operate an airplane.*
- *Run away quickly.*
- *Decrease rapidly and disappear.*
- *(of a report) be circulated swiftly and widely.*
- *Hit a ball high into the air.*
- *(of accusations or insults) be exchanged swiftly and heatedly.*
- *(of a bird, bat, or insect) move through the air using wings.*
- *Pass away rapidly.*
- *Run away; flee.*
- *Be successful.*
- *(of time) pass swiftly.*
- *Accomplish (a purpose) in an aircraft.*
- *Display in the air or cause to float.*
- *Travel through the air; be airborne.*
- *Travel over (an area of land or sea) in an aircraft.*
- *Transport in an aircraft.*
- *Escape from in haste; flee from.*
- *Move quickly or suddenly.*
- *Go or move quickly.*
- *(of an aircraft or its occupants) travel through the air.*



## Synonyms of "Fly" as a verb (92 Words)

<b>abscond</b>	(of a person on bail) fail to surrender oneself for custody at the appointed time. <i>The accountant <b>absconded</b> with the cash from the safe.</i>
<b>absent oneself</b>	Go away or leave.
<b>airlift</b>	Fly people or goods to or from places not accessible by other means. <i>Helicopters were employed to <b>airlift</b> the troops out of danger.</i>
<b>aviate</b>	Operate an airplane. <i>There are fewer opportunities to <b>aviate</b> in winter.</i>
<b>be gone</b>	Form or compose.
<b>beat a hasty retreat</b>	Make by pounding or trampling.
<b>beat a retreat</b>	Move with a flapping motion.

<b>blast</b>	Force or throw (something) in a specified direction by impact or explosion. <i>Fierce techno riffs <b>blasted</b> out from the sound system.</i>
<b>blow</b>	Free of obstruction by blowing air through. <i>It took him maybe five choruses to warm up but then he could really <b>blow</b>.</i>
<b>bolt</b>	Secure or lock with a bolt. <i>The lid was <b>bolted</b> down.</i>
<b>buzz</b>	Call with a buzzer. <i>Within an hour every department was <b>buzzing</b> with the news.</i>
<b>charge</b>	File a formal charge against. <i>They were <b>charged</b> with assault.</i>
<b>control</b>	Exercise authoritative control or power over. <i><b>Control</b> the budget.</i>
<b>dart</b>	Move along rapidly and lightly skim or dart. <i>He <b>darted</b> the leopard with a long acting anaesthetic.</i>
<b>dash</b>	Come into forceful contact with something. <i>I won't tell Stuart I think he'd be <b>dashed</b>.</i>
<b>direct</b>	Plan and direct a complex undertaking. <i>Can you <b>direct</b> me to the railway station please.</i>
<b>display</b>	Attract attention by displaying some body part or posing of animals. <i>The palace used to <b>display</b> a series of tapestries.</i>
<b>do a disappearing act</b>	Travel or traverse (a distance).
<b>escape</b>	Interrupt an operation by means of the escape key. <i>A baby boy narrowly <b>escaped</b> death.</i>
<b>escape from</b>	Run away from confinement.
<b>exhibit</b>	Give an exhibition of to an interested audience. <i>Only one sculpture was <b>exhibited</b> in the artist's lifetime.</i>
<b>fell</b>	Sew a seam by folding the edges.
<b>flap</b>	Move with a flapping motion. <i>Gulls <b>flapped</b> around uttering their strange cries.</i>
<b>flash</b>	Gleam or glow intermittently. <i>The headlines <b>flashed</b> on the screen.</i>
<b>flee</b>	Run away from a place or situation of danger. <i>He was forced to <b>flee</b> the country.</i>

<b>float</b>	Convert from a fixed point notation to a floating point notation. <b>Float</b> a ship.
<b>flutter</b>	Move with a light irregular or trembling motion. <i>The seagulls <b>fluttered</b> overhead.</i>
<b>fly by</b>	Hit a fly.
<b>fly past</b>	Travel in an airplane.
<b>glide</b>	Make an unpowered flight either in a glider or in an aircraft with engine failure. <i>A few gondolas <b>glided</b> past.</i>
<b>go by air</b>	To be spent or finished.
<b>go by plane</b>	Follow a certain course.
<b>go hell for leather</b>	Blend or harmonize.
<b>go like lightning</b>	Be in the right place or situation.
<b>go quickly</b>	Be abolished or discarded.
<b>guide</b>	Use as a guide. <i>He <b>guided</b> her to the front row and sat beside her.</i>
<b>hasten</b>	Be quick to do something. <i>We <b>hastened</b> back to Paris.</i>
<b>head for the hills</b>	Remove the head of.
<b>hurry</b>	Do or finish (something) quickly or too quickly. <b>Hurry</b> up and finish your meal.
<b>hurtle</b>	Move with or as if with a rushing sound. <i>A runaway car <b>hurtled</b> towards them.</i>
<b>jet</b>	Travel by jet aircraft. <i>Water <b>jetted</b> forth.</i>
<b>leave abruptly</b>	Have left or have as a remainder.
<b>leave hastily</b>	Transmit (knowledge or skills).
<b>lift</b>	(of a cloud, fog, etc.) move upwards or away. <i>This is a hackneyed adventure <b>lifted</b> straight from a vintage Lassie episode.</i>
<b>make a break for it</b>	Charge with a function; charge to be.
<b>make a quick exit</b>	Eliminate urine.
<b>make a run for it</b>	Engage in.
<b>make off</b>	Be or be capable of being changed or made into.
<b>make one's getaway</b>	Put in order or neaten.



<b>make oneself scarce</b>	Put in order or neaten.
<b>manoeuvre</b>	Act in order to achieve a certain goal. <i>She tried to <b>manoeuvre</b> her trolley round people.</i>
<b>navigate</b>	(of a passenger in a vehicle) assist the driver by planning a route and map reading. <i>Is anyone volunteering to <b>navigate</b> during the trip.</i>
<b>operate</b>	Happen. <i>Do not <b>operate</b> machinery after imbibing alcohol.</i>
<b>pass swiftly</b>	Place into the hands or custody of.
<b>pilot</b>	Be the pilot of an aircraft or ship. <i>Melissa <b>piloted</b> her through the booking hall.</i>
<b>race</b>	Prepare and enter an animal or vehicle for races. <i>Let s <b>race</b> and see who gets there first.</i>
<b>run</b>	Run as a sport or for exercise. <i>These dresses <b>run</b> small.</i>
<b>run away</b>	Make without a miss.
<b>run away from</b>	Sail before the wind.
<b>run for it</b>	Compete in a race.
<b>run off</b>	Direct or control; projects, businesses, etc.
<b>rush</b>	Cause to move fast or to rush or race. <i>I don t want to <b>rush</b> you into something.</i>
<b>rush past</b>	Act or move at high speed.
<b>shoot</b>	Shoot game over an estate or other area of countryside. <i>Claudia felt a pain <b>shoot</b> through her chest.</i>
<b>show</b>	Show in or as in a picture. <i>ITV <b>showed</b> The Enforcer on Saturday night.</i>
<b>slip past</b>	Pass on stealthily.
<b>soar</b>	Fly upwards or high in the sky. <i>The stock market <b>soared</b> after the cease fire was announced.</i>
<b>spank along</b>	Give a spanking to; subject to a spanking.
<b>speed</b>	Of a motorist travel at a speed that is greater than the legal limit. <i>May God <b>speed</b> you.</i>
<b>steer</b>	Be a guiding or motivating force or drive. <i>He let Lily <b>steer</b>.</i>
<b>streak</b>	Cover a surface with streaks. <i>The plane <b>streaked</b> across the sky.</i>

<b><u>stream</u></b>	(of a mass of people or things) move in a continuous flow in a specified direction. <i>Tears <b>streamed</b> down her face.</i>
<b>swoop</b>	Seize with a swooping motion. <i>Armed police <b>swooped</b> on a flat after a tip off.</i>
<b>take flight</b>	Buy, select.
<b>take off</b>	Receive or obtain regularly.
<b>take to one's heels</b>	Receive or obtain regularly.
<b>transport by air</b>	Send from one person or place to another.
<b>transport by plane</b>	Hold spellbound.
<b>travel by air</b>	Undertake a journey or trip.
<b>travel by plane</b>	Undertake a journey or trip.
<b>travel through the air</b>	Undergo transportation as in a vehicle.
<b><u>vanish</u></b>	Decrease rapidly and disappear. <i>The money <b>vanished</b> in las Vegas.</i>
<b>vaporize</b>	Convert or be converted into vapour. <i>All my stock assets have <b>vaporized</b>.</i>
<b>waft</b>	Blow gently. <i>Sounds <b>wafted</b> into the room.</i>
<b>wave</b>	Set waves in. <i>He <b>waved</b> her back.</i>
<b>wheel</b>	Carry in or on a vehicle with wheels. <i>Luke was <b>wheeling</b> a barrow.</i>
<b><u>whirl</u></b>	Fly around. <i>The dervishes <b>whirl</b> around and around without getting dizzy.</i>
<b>whizz</b>	Move quickly through the air with a whistling or buzzing sound. <i>Cobbled streets where people <b>whizzed</b> back and forth on bicycles.</i>
<b><u>whoosh</u></b>	Move with a whooshing sound. <i>A train <b>whooshed</b> by.</i>
<b>wing</b>	Travel on wings or by aircraft fly. <i>The prize will be <b>winging</b> its way to you soon.</i>
<b>wing its way</b>	Travel through the air; be airborne.
<b><u>zoom</u></b>	Cause a lens or camera to zoom in or out. <i>You can enlarge a region of the screen by <b>zooming</b> in.</i>



## Usage Examples of "Fly" as a verb

- *You must fly the country for a while.*
- *The evening had just flown by.*
- *We fly flowers from the Caribbean to North America.*
- *Man cannot fly.*
- *Rumors and accusations are flying.*
- *Rumours were flying around Manchester.*
- *Helicopters flew the injured to hospital.*
- *I fly back to London this evening.*
- *Vessels which flew the Spanish flag.*
- *Pilots trained to fly combat missions.*
- *Are we driving or flying?*
- *The birds fly away.*
- *The bird can fly enormous distances.*
- *He fled out to the left field.*

- *Flags were flying at half mast.*
- *She is flying to Cincinnati tonight.*
- *His fingertips flew across the keyboard.*
- *Fly into a rage.*
- *I can't fly my hawk for the final because he is too heavy.*
- *She ran after him, her hair flying behind her.*
- *He was sent flying by the tackle.*
- *Lindbergh was the first to fly the Atlantic.*
- *Those that fly may fight again.*
- *I must fly!*
- *Balls kept flying over her hedge.*
- *The accusations flew thick and fast.*
- *That idea didn't fly with most other council members.*
- *Today the hawks are being flown at partridge.*
- *She flew along the path.*
- *Close the door or the moths will fly in.*
- *All nations fly their flags in front of the U.N.*
- *He flew Hurricanes in the war.*
- *Fly a kite.*



## Associations of "Fly" (30 Words)

- aeronaut** A traveller in a hot-air balloon, airship, or other flying craft.
- airman** A member of the US navy whose general duties are concerned with aircraft.
- aviator** A pair of aviator sunglasses.  
*He has a short grey beard and wears a flannel shirt jeans and **aviator** glasses.*
- bee** An insect of a large group to which the honeybee belongs including many solitary as well as social kinds.  
*A sewing **bee**.*
- bug** An enthusiastic interest in something.  
*She fears that her conversations were **bugged**.*
- butterfly** Having a two lobed shape resembling the spread wings of a butterfly.  
***Butterfly** the shrimp using a small sharp knife.*

<b><u>buzz</u></b>	Call with a buzzer. <i>Bees were <b>buzzing</b> around the hive.</i>
<b>chirp</b>	Speak to (someone) in a taunting way. <i>Good morning <b>chirped</b> Alex.</i>
<b>cockroach</b>	Any of numerous chiefly nocturnal insects; some are domestic pests.
<b>croon</b>	Say in a soft, low voice. <i>Goodbye you lovely darling she <b>crooned</b>.</i>
<b>dragonfly</b>	Slender-bodied non-stinging insect having iridescent wings that are outspread at rest; adults and nymphs feed on mosquitoes etc.
<b><u>flap</u></b>	An act of flapping something typically a wing or arm up and down or from side to side. <i>He wrote on the <b>flap</b> of the envelope.</i>
<b>flea</b>	Any wingless bloodsucking parasitic insect noted for ability to leap.
<b>fledged</b>	(of a person or thing) having just taken on the role specified. <i>A newly <b>fledged</b> Detective Inspector.</i>
<b>grasshopper</b>	A plant-eating insect with long hind legs which are used for jumping and for producing a chirping sound, frequenting grassy places and low vegetation.
<b>housefly</b>	Common fly that frequents human habitations and spreads many diseases.
<b><u>hum</u></b>	Sound with a monotonous hum. <i>She <b>hummed</b> a melody.</i>
<b><u>hustle</u></b>	Pressure or urge someone into an action. <i>They were hissed and <b>hustled</b> as they went in.</i>
<b>levitate</b>	Cause to rise in the air and float, as if in defiance of gravity. <i>I swear to God he <b>levitated</b> over the bar.</i>
<b>mosquito</b>	Two-winged insect whose female has a long proboscis to pierce the skin and suck the blood of humans and animals.
<b>moth</b>	A clothes moth. <i>I store my sweaters in plastic bags to protect them from <b>moths</b>.</i>
<b><u>pilot</u></b>	Be the pilot of an aircraft or ship. <i>The crash had been due to <b>pilot</b> error.</i>
<b>pterodactyl</b>	(in general use) any pterosaur.
<b>pterosaur</b>	A fossil flying reptile of the Jurassic and Cretaceous periods, with membranous wings supported by a greatly lengthened fourth finger.
<b>twitter</b>	A series of short, high-pitched calls or sounds. <i>The swallows were settling to roost with a good deal of <b>twittering</b>.</i>
<b>volant</b>	(of an animal) able to fly or glide. <i>A falcon <b>volant</b>.</i>

<b>warble</b>	A lumpy abscess under the hide of domestic mammals caused by larvae of a botfly or warble fly. <i>He <b>warbled</b> in an implausible soprano.</i>
<b>wasp</b>	A solitary winged insect with a narrow waist mostly distantly related to the social wasps and including many parasitic kinds.
<b>wing</b>	Shoot a bird in the wing so as to prevent flight without causing death. <i>One bird was <b>winged</b> for every bird killed.</i>
<b>winged</b>	Having wings for flight. <i>On <b>winged</b> feet.</i>

