

Need another word that means the same as “foil”? Find 24 synonyms and 30 related words for “foil” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Foil” are: baffle, balk, cross, frustrate, queer, scotch, spoil, thwart, counter, oppose, balk, disappoint, impede, obstruct, hamper, hinder, snooker, cripple, derail, smash, dash, hydrofoil, enhancer, transparency**

## Foil as a Noun

### Definitions of "Foil" as a noun

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

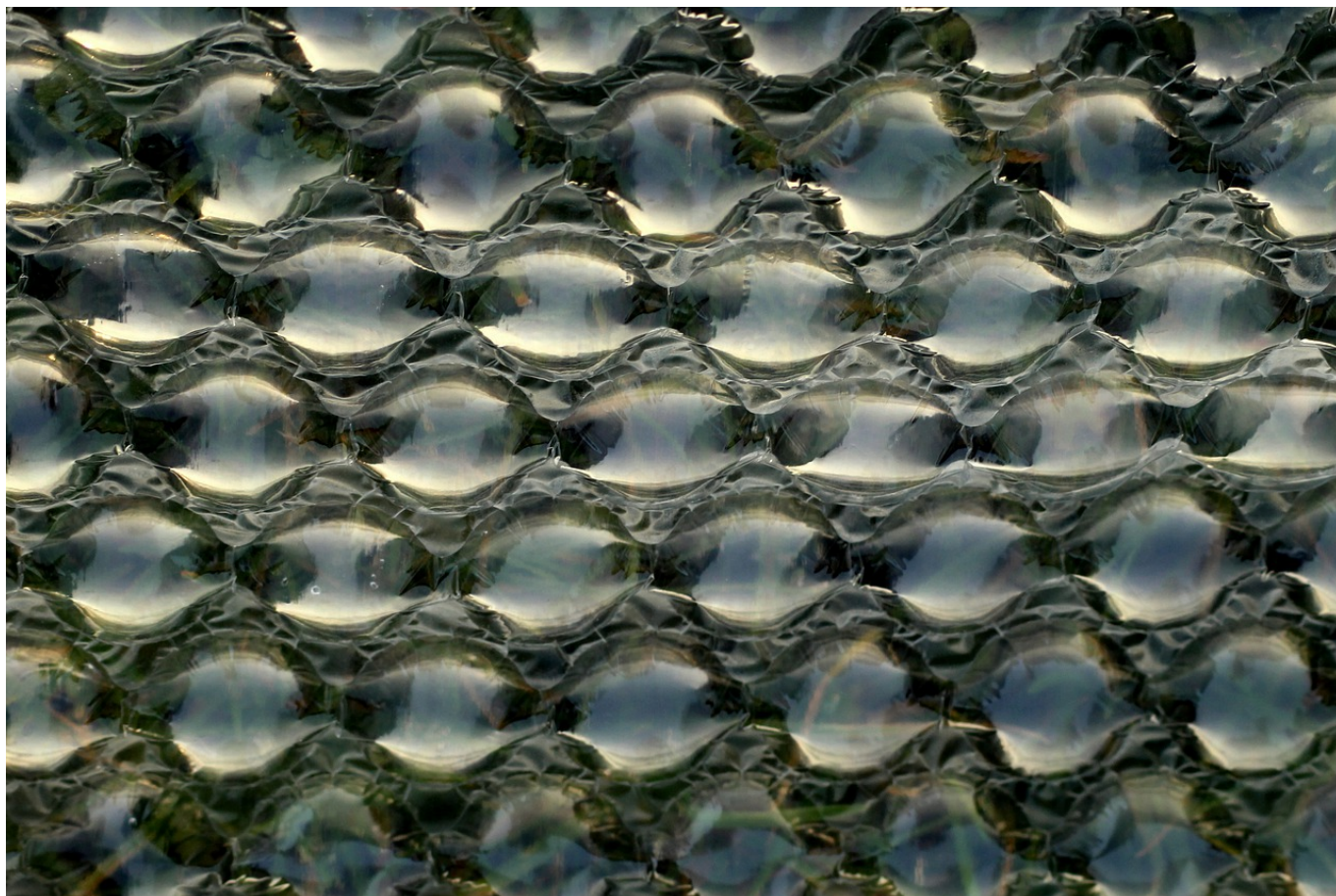
- *A piece of thin and flexible sheet metal.*
- *A light slender flexible sword tipped by a button.*
- *The track or scent of a hunted animal.*
- *A setback in an enterprise; a defeat.*
- *Anything that serves by contrast to call attention to another thing's good qualities.*
- *Picture consisting of a positive photograph or drawing on a transparent base; viewed with a projector.*
- *A device consisting of a flat or curved piece (as a metal plate) so that its surface reacts to the water it is passing through.*



### Synonyms of "Foil" as a noun (3 Words)

<b>enhancer</b>	Anything that serves by contrast to call attention to another thing's good qualities. <i>A sweetener and flavour <b>enhancer</b>.</i>
<b>hydrofoil</b>	Each of the foils of a hydrofoil. <i>The fins of a fish act as <b>hydrofoils</b>.</i>
<b>transparency</b>	The quality of being clear and transparent. <i>The <b>transparency</b> of ice.</i>





## Usage Examples of "Foil" as a noun

- *The fins of a fish act as hydrofoils.*
- *The photographic film was wrapped in foil.*
- *Pretty girls like plain friends as foils.*





## Foil as a Verb

### Definitions of "Foil" as a verb

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

- *Frustrate the efforts or plans of.*
- *Cover or back with foil.*
- *Prevent (something considered wrong or undesirable) from succeeding.*
- *Hinder or prevent (the efforts, plans, or desires) of.*
- *Enhance by contrast.*
- *(of a hunted animal) run over or cross (ground or a scent or track) in such a way as to confuse the hounds.*





## Synonyms of "Foil" as a verb (21 Words)

<b>baffle</b>	Restrain or regulate (a fluid, sound, etc. <i>To <b>baffle</b> the noise further I pad the gunwales.</i>
<b>balk</b>	(with reference to a horse) refuse or cause to refuse to go on. <i>He <b>balked</b> at such a drastic solution.</i>
<b>bilk</b>	Evade; elude. <i>Some businesses <b>bilk</b> thousands of dollars from unsuspecting elderly consumers.</i>
<b>counter</b>	Speak in response. <i>He <b>countered</b> with some very persuasive arguments.</i>
<b>cross</b>	Cause to intersect or lie crosswise. <i>Two paths <b>crossed</b> the field.</i>
<b>dash</b>	Hurl or thrust violently. <i>Blue paint <b>dashed</b> with white.</i>

<b>derail</b>	Run off or leave the rails. <i>The trams had a tendency to <b>derail</b> on sharp corners.</i>
<b>disappoint</b>	Fail to fulfil the hopes or expectations of. <i>The governing coalition had bitterly <b>disappointed</b> the hopes of its voters.</i>
<b>frustrate</b>	Treat cruelly. <i>What ultimately <b>frustrated</b> every challenger was Ruth's amazing September surge.</i>
<b>hamper</b>	Put at a disadvantage. <i>He was <b>hampered</b> in his efforts by the bad weather.</i>
<b>hinder</b>	Hinder or prevent the progress or accomplishment of. <i>The brace I have to wear is <b>hindering</b> my movements.</i>
<b>impede</b>	Delay or prevent (someone or something) by obstructing them; hinder. <i>The sap causes swelling which can <b>impede</b> breathing.</i>
<b>obstruct</b>	Block (an opening, path, road, etc.); be or get in the way of. <i>They had to alter the course of the stream and <b>obstruct</b> the natural flow of the water.</i>
<b>oppose</b>	Contrast with equal weight or force. <i>A candidate to <b>oppose</b> the leader in the presidential contest.</i>
<b>scotch</b>	Wedge (someone or something) somewhere. <i>Feudal power in France was <b>scotched</b> though far from killed.</i>
<b>smash</b>	Break suddenly into pieces, as from a violent blow. <i>The window <b>smashed</b>.</i>
<b>snooker</b>	Subject oneself or one's opponent to a snooker. <i>He was <b>snookered</b> by the con man's smooth talk.</i>
<b>spoil</b>	Have a strong desire or urge to do something. <i>He is <b>spoiling</b> for a fight.</i>
<b>thwart</b>	Prevent (someone) from accomplishing something. <i>He was <b>thwarted</b> in his desire to punish Uncle Fred.</i>





## Usage Examples of "Foil" as a verb

- *Foil mirrors.*
- *In this picture, the figures are foiled against the background.*
- *A brave policewoman foiled the armed robbery.*
- *Their rivals were foiled by the weather.*
- *Foil your opponent.*





## Associations of "Foil" (30 Words)

### [alloy](#)

Mix metals to make an alloy.

***Alloy** wheels.*

### **aluminum**

A silvery ductile metallic element found primarily in bauxite.

### **amber**

A honey yellow colour typical of amber.

***Amber** eyes.*

### **auriferous**

Containing gold.

*Not all the quartz veins are **auriferous**.*

### **brass**

Brass wind instruments including trumpet horn and trombone forming a band or a section of an orchestra.

*Shining **brasses** stood on the mantelpiece.*

### **bronze**

Give the color and appearance of bronze to something.

*On the black bookcase were three exquisite **bronzes**.*



<b>cable</b>	A television system that transmits over cables. <i>This was an occasion for using the telephone not <b>cables</b> teletexes or letters.</i>
<b>cardboard</b>	A stiff moderately thick paper. <i>A <b>cardboard</b> box.</i>
<b>chromium</b>	A hard brittle multivalent metallic element; resistant to corrosion and tarnishing.
<b>copper</b>	Cover or coat something with copper. <i>Some iron hulls were sheathed with wood and then <b>coppered</b>.</i>
<b>envelop</b>	Enclose or enfold completely with or as if with a covering. <i>A feeling of despair <b>enveloped</b> him.</i>
<b>gift</b>	Give as a present make a gift of. <i>The goalkeeper <b>gifted</b> Liverpool their last minute winner.</i>
<b>gild</b>	A formal association of people with similar interests. <i>In 1436 he <b>gilded</b> and painted statues for Bruges Town Hall.</i>
<b>gold</b>	Made of or coloured like gold. <i>Her eyes were light green and flecked with <b>gold</b>.</i>
<b>golden</b>	(of an opportunity) very favourable. <i>A <b>golden</b> era.</i>
<b>hermetically</b>	In a way that is insulated or protected from outside influences. <i>The stopper was <b>hermetically</b> closed.</i>
<b>manganese</b>	The black dioxide of manganese as an industrial raw material or additive especially in glass making.
<b>metal</b>	Cover with metal. <i>An adjustable pole made of <b>metal</b>.</i>
<b>nickel</b>	Coat with nickel. <i>A <b>nickel</b> bag of drugs.</i>
<b>oxide</b>	Any compound of oxygen with another element or a radical. <i>Nitrogen <b>oxide</b>.</i>
<b>packaging</b>	The presentation of a person or thing in an advantageous way. <i>They specialized in food <b>packaging</b>.</i>
<b>paper</b>	Cover a hole or blemish with wallpaper. <i>He has written many scientific <b>papers</b>.</i>
<b>pearl</b>	Form drops resembling pearls. <i>The peaked hills were blue and <b>pearled</b> with clouds.</i>
<b>platinum</b>	Greyish white or silvery like platinum. <i>A <b>platinum</b> wig.</i>

<b>railing</b>	A fence or barrier made of rails. <i>Wrought iron <b>railings</b>.</i>
<b>shroud</b>	Wrap or dress a body in a shroud for burial. <i>Mountains <b>shrouded</b> by cloud.</i>
<b>wrap</b>	The covering usually paper or cellophane in which something is wrapped. <i>The program can automatically <b>wrap</b> text around irregularly shaped graphics.</i>
<b>wrapper</b>	Cloak that is folded or wrapped around a person. <i>She put a <b>wrapper</b> over her nightdress.</i>
<b>wrapping</b>	Paper or soft material used to cover or enclose something. <i>She took the cellophane <b>wrapping</b> off the box.</i>
<b>zinc</b>	Coat iron with zinc or a zinc compound to prevent rust. <i>A <b>zinc</b> roof.</i>

