

Need another word that means the same as “foster”? Find 37 synonyms and 30 related words for “foster” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Foster” are: further, nurture, encourage, promote, stimulate, advance, forward, cultivate, strengthen, enrich, help, aid, abet, assist, contribute to, support, endorse, champion, speak for, proselytize, sponsor, espouse, uphold, back, boost, give backing to, facilitate, bring up, rear, raise, care for, take care of, look after, provide for, surrogate, stephen collins foster, stephen foster

Foster as a Noun

Definitions of "Foster" as a noun

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

- *United States songwriter whose songs embody the sentiment of the South before the American Civil War (1826-1864).*



Synonyms of "Foster" as a noun (2 Words)

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Foster as a Verb

Definitions of "Foster" as a verb

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

- *Develop (a feeling or idea) in oneself.*
- *Bring up (a child that is not one's own by birth).*
- *Encourage the development of (something, especially something desirable).*
- *Promote the growth of.*
- *Bring up under fosterage; of children.*
- *(of a parent or authority) assign (a child) to be brought up by someone other than its parents.*

- *Help develop, help grow.*



Synonyms of "Foster" as a verb (34 Words)

abet

Encourage or assist (someone) to do something wrong, in particular to commit a crime.

*We are aiding and **abetting** this illegal traffic.*

advance

Pay in advance.

***Advance** an argument.*

aid

Give help or assistance; be of service.

*Women were **aided** in childbirth by midwives.*

assist

Give help or assistance be of service.

*Their presence would **assist** in keeping the peace.*

back

Be in back of.

*A mirror **backed** with tortoiseshell.*

boost

Give a boost to be beneficial to.

*He had his wallet **boosted** in a bar.*

bring up	Attract the attention of.
care for	Provide care for.
champion	Protect or fight for as a champion. <i>He championed the rights of the working class and the poor.</i>
contribute to	Contribute to some cause.
<u>cultivate</u>	Teach or refine to be discriminative in taste or judgment. Cultivate the land.
encourage	Spur on. <i>We were encouraged by the success of this venture.</i>
endorse	Sign as evidence of legal transfer. <i>She s had her licence endorsed.</i>
<u>enrich</u>	Make better or improve in quality. <i>Top party members had enriched themselves.</i>
<u>espouse</u>	Take in marriage. <i>Edward had espoused the lady Grey.</i>
facilitate	Make (an action or process) easy or easier. <i>Schools were located in the same campus to facilitate the sharing of resources.</i>
<u>forward</u>	Help to advance (something); promote. Forward my mail.
<u>further</u>	Help the progress or development of (something); promote. <i>He had depended on using them to further his own career.</i>
give backing to	Move in order to make room for someone for something.
help	Help to some food help with food or drink. <i>Legislation to fit all new cars with catalytic converters will help.</i>
look after	Have a certain outward or facial expression.
<u>nurture</u>	Help develop, help grow. <i>Jarrett was nurtured by his parents in a close knit family.</i>
promote	Of an additive act as a promoter of a catalyst. <i>I got promoted after many years of hard work.</i>
proselytize	Advocate or promote (a belief or course of action). <i>Davis wanted to share his concept and proselytize his ideas.</i>
provide for	Give something useful or necessary to.
raise	Raise from a lower to a higher position. <i>She raised both arms above her head.</i>

rear	Construct, build, or erect. <i>The horse reared in terror.</i>
speak for	Make a characteristic or natural sound.
<u>sponsor</u>	Assume sponsorship of. <i>She wishes to thank all those people who sponsored her.</i>
stimulate	Raise levels of physiological or nervous activity in (the body or any biological system). <i>Coffee and tea stimulate me.</i>
strengthen	Give a healthy elasticity to. <i>His body strengthened.</i>
support	Support materially or financially. <i>The government gives 2 500 million a year to support the voluntary sector.</i>
take care of	Pick out, select, or choose from a number of alternatives.
uphold	Support against an opponent. <i>They uphold a tradition of not causing distress to living creatures.</i>



Usage Examples of "Foster" as a verb

- *Appropriate praise helps a child foster a sense of self-worth.*
- *When fostering out a child, placement workers will be looking for a home similar to their own.*
- *The teacher's task is to foster learning.*
- *A person who would foster Holly was found.*



Foster as an Adjective

Definitions of "Foster" as an adjective

According to the [Oxford Dictionary of English](#), "foster" as an adjective can have the

following definitions:

- *Providing or receiving nurture or parental care though not related by blood or legal ties.*



Synonyms of "Foster" as an adjective (1 Word)

surrogate Denoting a child to whom a woman gives birth as a surrogate mother.
*Paperwork that will allow them to move forward with the **surrogate** process.*



Usage Examples of "Foster" as an adjective

- *Foster home.*

- *Foster child.*
- *Foster parent.*



Associations of "Foster" (30 Words)

adopted	Acquired as your own by free choice. <i>My adopted state.</i>
adoptee	Someone (such as a child) who has been adopted.
adoption	The action or fact of choosing to take up, follow, or use something. <i>Its adoption by society.</i>
baby	Treat someone as a baby pamper or be overprotective towards. <i>I felt healthy and very feminine carrying the baby.</i>

born	British nuclear physicist born in Germany honored for his contributions to quantum mechanics 1882 1970. <i>They are born to rule.</i>
breed	Rear and train (someone) to behave in a particular way or have certain qualities. <i>The big continental breeds are eagerly being imported by British farmers.</i>
breeding	The production of animals or plants by inbreeding or hybridization. <i>That s the kind of modesty you get from good breeding.</i>
care	Provide care for. <i>He is in the care of a bodyguard.</i>
child	An immature childish person. <i>She d been playing tennis since she was a child.</i>
elevation	Height above a given level, especially sea level. <i>The area has a topography that ranges from 1 500 to 3 000 metres in elevation.</i>
feeding	The act of supplying food and nourishment.
housework	The work of cleaning and running a house. <i>I was busy doing housework when the doorbell rang.</i>
increasing	Music increasing in tempo and or volume. <i>The increasing numbers of students.</i>
institutional	Established as a convention or norm in an organization or culture. <i>An institutional investor.</i>
maternity	The state of being pregnant; the period from conception to birth when a woman carries a developing fetus in her uterus. <i>Maternity clothes.</i>
mom	One's mother. <i>My mom gave us each a slice of pizza.</i>
mother	Care for like a mother. <i>He found a beautiful wife that mothered his children.</i>
neonatal	Relating to newborn children (or other mammals). <i>Special attention is given to mortality in the neonatal period.</i>
nurture	Care for and protect (someone or something) while they are growing. <i>They debated whether nature or nurture was more important.</i>
overindulgence	The action or fact of having too much of something enjoyable. <i>The child was spoiled by overindulgence.</i>

<u>parent</u>	Be or act as a parent to a child. <i>Policy considerations were determined largely by the parent company.</i>
paternal	Relating to or characteristic of or befitting a parent. <i>He reasserted his paternal authority.</i>
paternity	Paternal origin. <i>He refused to admit paternity of the child.</i>
pregnant	Carrying developing offspring within the body or being about to produce new life. <i>She was heavily pregnant with her second child.</i>
raise	Multiply a number by itself a specified number of times 8 is 2 raised to the power 3. <i>I have raised an invoice for the tape.</i>
raising	The event of something being raised upward. <i>A raising of the land resulting from volcanic activity.</i>
rearing	Rearing on left hind leg with forelegs elevated and head usually in profile.
<u>reproduction</u>	The action or process of copying something. <i>Toads converge upon lakes and ponds intent on reproduction.</i>
<u>upbringing</u>	Helping someone grow up to be an accepted member of the community. <i>He was a countryman by upbringing.</i>
<u>wife</u>	The wife of a person with a specified occupation. <i>He and his wife are keen gardeners.</i>

