

Need another word that means the same as “gamble”? Find 32 synonyms and 30 related words for “gamble” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Gamble” are: adventure, chance, hazard, risk, run a risk, take a chance, take chances, bet, wager, place a bet, lay a bet, stake money on something, back the horses, try one's luck on the horses, take a risk, take a leap in the dark, leave things to chance, speculate, venture, buy a pig in a poke, act in the hope of, trust in, take a chance on, bank on, speculation, leap in the dark

Gamble as a Noun

Definitions of "Gamble" as a noun

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

- *A risky act or venture.*
- *A risky action undertaken with the hope of success.*
- *An act of gambling.*
- *Money that is risked for possible monetary gain.*



Synonyms of "Gamble" as a noun (8 Words)

bet	An act of betting a sum of money. <i>She had a bet on the Derby.</i>
chance	The occurrence of events in the absence of any obvious intention or cause. <i>He played down his chances of becoming chairman.</i>
<u>hazard</u>	An obstacle on a golf course. <i>A safety hazard.</i>
leap in the dark	A light, self-propelled movement upwards or forwards.
risk	A person or thing regarded as a threat or likely source of danger. <i>Gloss paint can burn strongly and pose a fire risk.</i>
speculation	An investment that is very risky but could yield great profits. <i>Speculations about the outcome of the election.</i>
venture	Any venturesome undertaking especially one with an uncertain outcome. <i>Pioneering ventures into little known waters.</i>

wager

The act of gambling.

*They have made a **wager** on who will win tonight.*



Usage Examples of "Gamble" as a noun

- *We decided to take a gamble and offer him a place on our staff.*
- *Dad likes a bit of a gamble.*



Gamble as a Verb

Definitions of "Gamble" as a verb

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

- *Take risky action in the hope of a desired result.*
- *Play games for money.*
- *Take a risk in the hope of a favorable outcome.*
- *Play games of chance for money; bet.*
- *Bet (a sum of money).*



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

act in the hope of	Discharge one's duties.
adventure	Put at risk. <i>They had adventured into the forest.</i>
back the horses	Give support or one's approval to.
bank on	Act as the banker in a game or in gambling.
bet	Maintain with or as if with a bet. <i>I bet you 15 you won't chat her up.</i>
buy a pig in a poke	Be worth or be capable of buying.
chance	Be the case by chance. <i>They chanced a late holiday.</i>

hazard

Say (something) in a tentative way.

*The cargo business is too risky to **hazard** money on.*

lay a bet

Put into a certain place or abstract location.

leave things to chance

Be survived by after one's death.

place a bet

Estimate.

risk

Take a risk in the hope of a favorable outcome.

*Why **risk** your life.*

run a risk

Progress by being changed.

Invest in stocks, property, or other ventures in the hope of gain but with the risk of loss.

*My colleagues **speculate** about my private life.*

speculate

stake money on something

Place a bet on.

take a chance

Point or cause to go (blows, weapons, or objects such as photographic equipment) towards.

take a chance on

Take into consideration for exemplifying purposes.

take a leap in the dark

Interpret something in a certain way; convey a particular meaning or impression.

take a risk

Travel or go by means of a certain kind of transportation, or a certain route.

take chances

Take as an undesirable consequence of some event or state of affairs.

trust in

Allow without fear.

try one's luck on the horses

Put on a garment in order to see whether it fits and looks nice.

venture

Dare to do or say something that may be considered audacious (often used as a polite expression of hesitation or apology).

*Agents for other people's money they do not **venture** their own capital.*

wager

Used to express certainty.

*Everyone will be able to make single bets rather than having to **wager** on three matches.*



Usage Examples of "Gamble" as a verb

- *He was gambling on the success of his satellite TV channel.*
- *He gambles on football.*
- *They gambled their money on cards.*



Associations of "Gamble" (30 Words)

avalanche	Engulf or carry off by an avalanche. <i>An avalanche of mud.</i>
averse	Having a strong dislike of or opposition to something. <i>The bank's approach has been risk averse.</i>
bet	An act of betting a sum of money. <i>Most people would bet their life savings on the prospect.</i>
card	A game played with playing cards. <i>Some notes jotted down on a card.</i>
carelessly	In a casual or reckless way; inattentively. <i>Roadsides are full of litter thrown carelessly by passers by.</i>
challenge	Issue a challenge to. <i>They reacted irrationally to the challenge of Russian power.</i>

<u>crisis</u>	A time of intense difficulty or danger. <i>After the crisis the patient either dies or gets better.</i>
danger	A dangerous place. <i>The dangers of smoking.</i>
dare	Take the risk of; brave. <i>How dare you call my lawyer.</i>
<u>endanger</u>	Put (someone or something) at risk or in danger. <i>He was driving in a manner likely to endanger life.</i>
flammability	The quality of being easily ignited and burning rapidly.
foreseeable	Capable of being anticipated. <i>The situation is unlikely to change in the foreseeable future.</i>
<u>hazard</u>	Put forward, of a guess, in spite of possible refutation. <i>He hazarded a guess.</i>
<u>hazardous</u>	Risky; dangerous. <i>We work in hazardous conditions.</i>
hostage	A prisoner who is held by one party to insure that another party will meet specified terms. <i>Three hostages were released but only after their families paid an estimated 200 000 to the guerrillas.</i>
imminence	The state or fact of being about to happen. <i>The populace was largely unaware of the imminence of war.</i>
<u>insecure</u>	Not sufficiently protected; easily broken into. <i>An insecure person lacking mental stability.</i>
<u>instability</u>	The state of being unstable; lack of stability. <i>Political and economic instability.</i>
<u>jeopardize</u>	Pose a threat to; present a danger to. <i>A devaluation of the dollar would jeopardize New York's position as a financial centre.</i>
jeopardy	A source of danger; a possibility of incurring loss or misfortune. <i>The whole peace process is in jeopardy.</i>
landslide	An overwhelming electoral victory. <i>The road was blocked by a landslide.</i>
parlous	Fraught with danger. <i>The General's position was parlous.</i>
peril	Pose a threat to; present a danger to. <i>You could well place us both in peril.</i>

<u>perilous</u>	Fraught with danger. <i>The economy is in a perilous state.</i>
rescue	Save (someone) from a dangerous or difficult situation. <i>He came to our rescue with a loan of 100.</i>
risk	Take a risk in the hope of a favorable outcome. <i>All outdoor activities carry an element of risk.</i>
<u>risky</u>	Full of the possibility of danger, failure, or loss. <i>Extremely risky going out in the tide and fog.</i>
threatened	Likely in the near future to become endangered. <i>The spotted owl is a threatened species not yet an endangered one.</i>
venture	Any venturesome undertaking especially one with an uncertain outcome. <i>He ventured the opinion that Putt was insane.</i>
<u>wager</u>	Maintain with or as if with a bet. <i>I ll wager she makes that trip to Virginia.</i>

