

Need another word that means the same as "gleam"? Find 41 synonyms and 30 related words for "gleam" in this overview.

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The synonyms of "Gleam" are: glint, glisten, glitter, shine, glimmer, catch the light, shimmer, glow, sparkle, twinkle, flicker, blink, wink, flash, flare, beam, fluoresce, gleaming, lambency, spark, lustre, gloss, sheen, glimmering, ray, trace, suggestion, hint, faint sign, scintilla

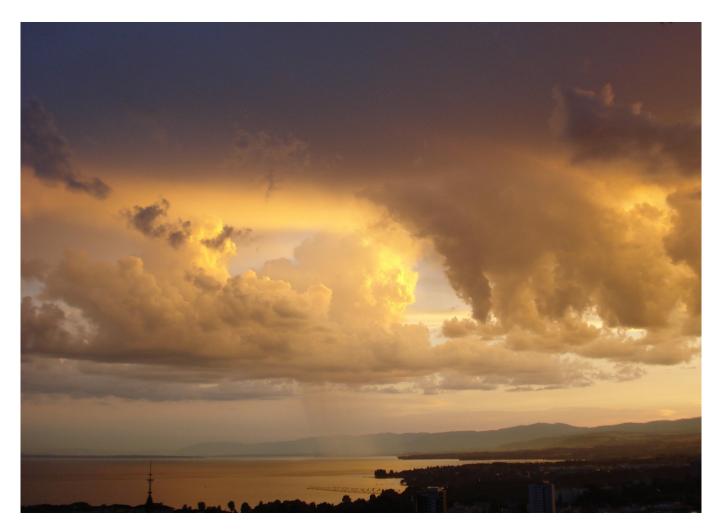
Gleam as a Noun

Definitions of "Gleam" as a noun

According to the <u>Oxford Dictionary of English</u>, "gleam" as a noun can have the following definitions:

- An expression of an emotion or quality in a person's eyes.
- A brief or faint instance of a quality or emotion.
- A flash of light (especially reflected light.
- An appearance of reflected light.
- A faint or brief light, especially one reflected from something.





Synonyms of "Gleam" as a noun (24 Words)

blink	A reflex that closes and opens the eyes rapidly. <i>He was observing her every</i> blink .
faint sign	A spontaneous loss of consciousness caused by insufficient blood to the brain.
<u>flare</u>	A gradual widening in shape, especially towards the hem of a garment. She felt a flare of anger within her.
flash	A newsflash. If in any doubt use flash .
<u>flicker</u>	A momentary flash of light. A flicker of a smile passed across her face.
gleaming	A flash of light (especially reflected light.
glimmer	A slight suggestion or vague understanding. He saw a faint glimmer of light from her window.



glimmering	A slight suggestion or vague understanding. The glimmering of an idea flashed into Isabel s brain.
glint	A spatially localized brightness. She saw the glint of excitement in his eyes.
gloss	The property of being smooth and shiny. The undercoat is applied followed by two coats of gloss .
glow	A feeling of warmth in the face or body. The setting sun cast a deep red glow over the city.
hint	A slight or indirect indication or suggestion. <i>He has given no hint of his views.</i>
lambency	An appearance of reflected light.
lustre	Ceramics with an iridescent metallic glaze lustreware. She couldn t eat and her hair lost its lustre .
ray	A thing that is arranged radially. Catch some ray s on a sandy beach.
scintilla	A tiny or scarcely detectable amount. A scintilla of doubt.
sheen	The visual property of something that shines with reflected light. <i>Black crushed velvet with a slight sheen</i> .
<u>shimmer</u>	A soft, slightly wavering light. The shimmer of colors on iridescent feathers.
shine	A quality of brightness produced when light is reflected on something. <i>My hair has lost its shine.</i>
spark	Scottish writer of satirical novels (born in 1918. A log fire was sending spark s on to the rug.
<u>sparkle</u>	The occurrence of a small flash or spark. <i>He had a sparkle in his eye.</i>
suggestion	Persuasion formulated as a suggestion. <i>Here are some suggestions for tackling the problem.</i>
<u>trace</u>	A very small quantity, especially one too small to be accurately measured. <i>We ve got a trace on the call.</i>
<u>twinkle</u>	A rapid change in brightness; a brief spark or flash. <i>The distant twinkle of the lights.</i>

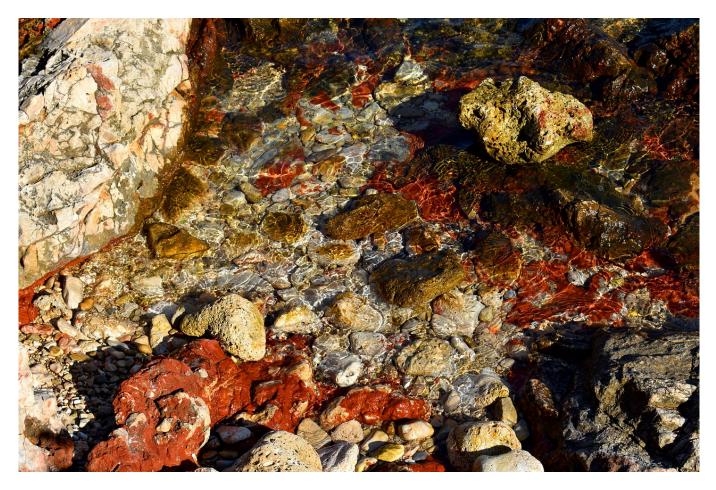




Usage Examples of "Gleam" as a noun

- The gleam of hope vanished.
- The gleam of a silver tray.
- She saw a gleam of triumph in his eyes.





Gleam as a Verb

Definitions of "Gleam" as a verb

According to the <u>Oxford Dictionary of English</u>, "gleam" as a verb can have the following definitions:

- Appear briefly.
- Shine brightly, especially with reflected light.
- Shine brightly, like a star or a light.
- Be shiny, as if wet.
- (of a smooth surface or object) reflect light because well polished.
- (of an emotion or quality) be expressed through the brightness of a person's eyes.





Synonyms of "Gleam" as a verb (17 Words)

<u>beam</u>	Express with a beaming face or smile. The satellite beam ed back radio signals to scientists on Earth.
blink	Keep back by blinking. She blink ed away her tears.
catch the light Perceive with the senses quickly, suddenly, or momentarily.	
<u>flare</u>	Become flared and widen usually at one end. The controversy flare d up again in 2003.
flash	Gleam or glow intermittently. The story was flash ed around the world.
<u>flicker</u>	(of someone's eyes) move quickly in a particular direction in order to look at something. <i>Her eyelids flicker</i> ed.



fluoresce	Exhibit or undergo fluorescence. The molecules fluoresce when excited by ultraviolet radiation.
glimmer	Shine brightly, like a star or a light. The moonlight glimmer ed on the lawn.
glint	Give out or reflect small flashes of light. His eyes glint ed angrily.
glisten	(of something wet or greasy) shine with a sparkling light. His cheeks glisten ed with tears.
<u>glitter</u>	Shine with a bright, shimmering reflected light. The grass glitter ed with dew.
glow	(of a person's face) appear pink or red as a result of warmth, health, embarrassment, etc. <i>Her face glowed when she came out of the sauna.</i>
<u>shimmer</u>	Give off a shimmering reflection as of silk. Beech leaves shimmer ed in the moonlight.
shine	Make a surface shine. Tonight he will have a chance to shine and win a world boxing title.
<u>sparkle</u>	Reflect brightly. The musical performance sparkle d.
<u>twinkle</u>	(of a person's eyes) sparkle, especially with amusement. The smile made her face crease and her eyes twinkle .
<u>wink</u>	Signal by winking. He wink ed at Nicole as he passed.

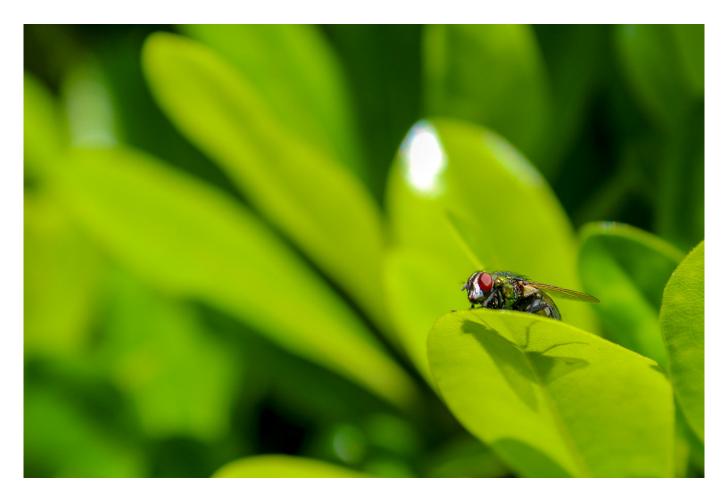




Usage Examples of "Gleam" as a verb

- A terrible thought gleamed in her mind.
- Affection gleamed in her large green eyes.
- Light gleamed on the china cats.
- Victor buffed the glass until it gleamed.
- Her eyes gleamed with satisfaction.





Associations of "Gleam" (30 Words)

<u>beam</u>	Express with a beaming face or smile. The detector simply pinpoints the radar beam s that other ships transmit.
<u>bright</u>	Made smooth and bright by or as if by rubbing reflecting a sheen or glow. A bright sunlit room.
brilliance	The quality of being magnificent or splendid or grand. Lapis lazuli was highly regarded for the brilliance of its colour.
brilliantly	In an extremely intelligent way. She succeeded brilliantly .
<u>dazzling</u>	Amazingly impressive; suggestive of the flashing of lightning. A dazzling display of football.
effulgence	The quality of being bright and sending out rays of light.



filament	A very slender natural or synthetic fiber. Each myosin filament is usually surrounded by 12 actin filament s.
flash	A newsflash. A flash car.
<u>flicker</u>	Shine unsteadily. Amusement flicker ed briefly in his eyes.
glimmer	A slight suggestion or vague understanding. There is one glimmer of hope for Becky.
glint	A spatially localized brightness. Her glasses glint ed in the firelight.
glisten	The quality of shining with a bright reflected light. His cheeks glisten ed with tears.
<u>glitter</u>	Be shiny, as if wet. The blue glitter of the sea.
glow	A strong feeling of pleasure or well-being. He could feel the brandy filling him with a warm glow .
illuminate	Make free from confusion or ambiguity; make clear. <i>His face was illuminated by a smile.</i>
illumination	A condition of spiritual awareness divine illumination. These books form the most sustained analysis and illumination of the subject.
illumine	Make lighter or brighter. <i>He moved her lamp so that her face was illumined.</i>
lamp	Supply with lamps illuminate. Poachers snared and lamp ed at night and sold their catch in the pubs.
light	The quality of being luminous emitting or reflecting light. A light some buoyant step.
lighten	Make more cheerful through the use of color. Try to lighten up and think positive.
limelight	A focus of public attention. <i>He enjoyed being in the limelight.</i>
lucent	Softly bright or radiant. <i>The lucent moon.</i>
luminosity	The intrinsic brightness of a celestial object (as distinct from its apparent brightness diminished by distance. Altair has ten times the luminosity of the sun.



phosphorescent	Emitting light without appreciable heat as by slow oxidation of t phosphorous. The phosphorescent glow of decaying wood.
radiant	A radiant point. A radiant heater.
<u>shimmer</u>	Give off a shimmering reflection as of silk. Beech leaves shimmer ed in the moonlight.
shine	Make a surface shine. His shoes were shine d to perfection.
<u>sparkle</u>	The occurrence of a small flash or spark. There was a sparkle in his eyes.
sunlight	Light from the sun. A shaft of sunlight .
<u>twinkle</u>	A light which appears continually to grow brighter and fainter. <i>There s a perpetual twinkle in his eyes.</i>

