

Need another word that means the same as "harden"? Find 23 synonyms and 30 related words for "harden" in this overview.

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The synonyms of "Harden" are: temper, season, indurate, inure, solidify, set, become hard, become solid, congeal, clot, coagulate, stiffen, thicken, cake, freeze, bake, crystallize, toughen, desensitize, make insensitive, make tough, make unfeeling, harden someone's heart

Harden as a Verb

Definitions of "Harden" as a verb

According to the Oxford Dictionary of English, "harden" as a verb can have the following definitions:

- Make hard or harder.
- (of prices of shares, commodities, etc.) rise and remain steady at a higher level.
- Harden by reheating and cooling in oil.
- Make fit.
- Make or become hard or harder.
- Make or become tougher and more clearly defined.
- Become hard or harder.
- Cause to accept or become hardened to; habituate.
- Make or become more severe and less sympathetic.





Synonyms of "Harden" as a verb (23 Words)

Be or become extremely hot in prolonged sun or hot weather.

Bake a cake.

become hard Come into existence.

become solid Enhance the appearance of.

cake Form a coat over.

The blood under his nose was beginning to **cake**.

clot Form or cause to form clots.

Blood **clot**s.

coagulate Cause (a fluid) to change to a solid or semi-solid state.

Adrenaline **coaqulate**s the blood.

congeal

Become semi-solid, especially on cooling.

The blood had songealed into blobs

The blood had **congeal**ed into blobs.



Assume crystalline form become crystallized.

<u>crystallize</u> No deduction is given for contingent liabilities until they

crystallize.

desensitizeCause not to be sensitive.

Creams to desensitize the skin at the site of the injection.

Stop a process or a habit by imposing a freeze on it.

This soup **freeze**s well.

harden someone's

heart

freeze

Cause to accept or become hardened to; habituate.

indurate Cause to accept or become hardened to; habituate.

Indurated customs.

inure Cause to accept or become hardened to; habituate.

These children have been **inure**d to violence.

make insensitive Favor the development of.

make tough Compel or make somebody or something to act in a certain way.

make unfeeling To compose or represent.

Add a quality or feature to (something), especially so as to make it

season more lively or exciting.

I collect and **season** most of my wood.

Set to a certain position or cause to operate correctly.

set Once fruits have **set** feed weekly with a high potash liquid tomato

fertilizer.

solidify

Make solid or more solid cause to solidify.

Social and political pressures helped to **solidify** national identities.

Restrict.

stiffenHe **stiffen**ed his knees in an effort to prevent them trembling.

Make more temperate acceptable or suitable by adding something

else.

temperFor a shiny sheen to the chocolate coating I recommend

tempering the chocolate first.

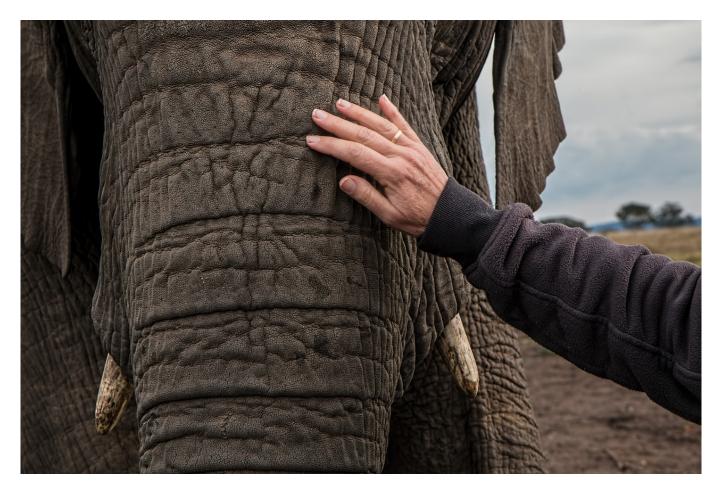
thicken Become thick or thicker.

The fog had **thicken**ed.

toughen Make tough or tougher.

He tried to **toughen** his son up by sending him to public school.

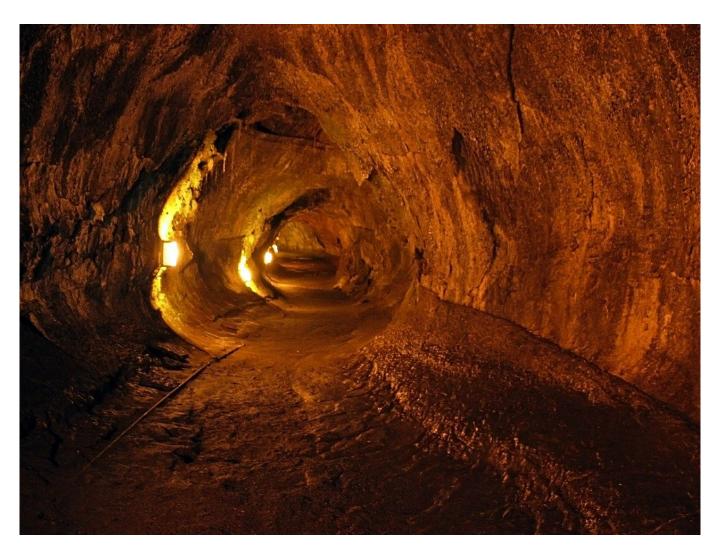




Usage Examples of "Harden" as a verb

- She hardened her heart.
- Wait for the glue to harden.
- As oil prices hardened from their recent lows, the US dollar fell.
- The wax hardened.
- Suspicion hardened into certainty.
- The cold hardened the butter.
- This served only to harden the resolve of the island nations.
- Brick is made of moist clay hardened by heat.





Associations of "Harden" (30 Words)

bond Join or be joined by a chemical bond.

The grandparents want to **bond** with the child.

brace Support or hold steady and make steadfast with or as if with a brace.

He stood with legs **brace**d.

Composed of or containing or resembling calcium carbonate or calcite or

calcareous chalk.

Calcareous soils.

calcify

Turn into lime; become calcified.

These elements would **calcify** as rock.

cement Fix with cement.

Wooden posts were **cement**ed into the ground.



deepen

constrain Compel or force (someone) to follow a particular course of action.

Duty **constrain**s one to act often contrary to one s desires or inclinations.

Become deeper in tone.

Her voice **deepen**ed when she whispered the password.

enhance Make better or more attractive.

This sauce will **enhance** the flavor of the meat.

escalate Increase in extent or intensity.

The disturbance **escalate**d into a full scale riot.

Make worse.

exacerbate The strong pound has **exacerbate**d the situation by making it much

harder for UK companies to compete on price.

fortify Add nutrients to.

The girl was fortified by her religious faith.

heighten Increase.

Heighten interest.

inflexible Resistant to being bent.

Once she had made up her mind she was **inflexible**.

Action that makes something stronger or more extreme.

intensification The intensification of agriculture.

intensify Increase the opacity of (a negative) using a chemical.

The dispute began to **intensify**.

intension Resolution or determination.

Rock that in its molten form as magma issues from volcanos lava is what

lava magma is called when it reaches the surface.

Tablelands of lava.

osseous Consisting of or turned into bone; ossified.

Osseous tissue.

ossified Set in a rigidly conventional pattern of behavior, habits, or beliefs.

Ossified business practices. Turn into bone or bony tissue.

Ossify
These tracked cartilages may ossify

These tracheal cartilages may **ossify**.

reinforce Strengthen (an existing feeling, idea, or habit.

The helmet has been **reinforce**d with a double layer of cork.

The strengthening structure or material employed in reinforced concrete

reinforcement or plastic.

A small force would hold the position until **reinforcement**s could be sent.



resistant Offering resistance to something or someone.

A water **resistant** adhesive.

steel Knife sharpener consisting of a ridged steel rod.

She **steel**ed herself to remain calm.

stiffen Make stiff or stiffer.

He **stiffen**ed his knees in an effort to prevent them trembling.

strength

The potency or degree of concentration of a drug, chemical, or drink.

They were taking no chances with the **strength** of the retaining wall.

strengthen Give a healthy elasticity to.

This exercise will **strengthen** your upper body.

Strong and sure.

strongThe competition was too **strong**.

tighten Make tight or tighter.

Tighten the rules.

Make tough or tougher.

toughen

He tried to toughen his son up by sending him to public school.

