

Need another word that means the same as “hunger”? Find 25 synonyms and 30 related words for “hunger” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Hunger” are: hungriness, thirst, thirstiness, lack of food, need for food, ravenousness, emptiness, desire, craving, longing, yearning, pining, hankering, appetite, lust, ache, want, need, crave, starve, famish, have a craving for**

## Hunger as a Noun

### Definitions of "Hunger" as a noun

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

- *A feeling of discomfort or weakness caused by lack of food, coupled with the desire to eat.*
- *A severe lack of food.*
- *Strong desire for something (not food or drink).*
- *A physiological need for food; the consequence of food deprivation.*
- *A strong desire or craving.*



## Synonyms of "Hunger" as a noun (18 Words)

<b><u>ache</u></b>	A continuous or prolonged dull pain in a part of one's body. <i>The <b>ache</b> in her head worsened.</i>
<b>appetite</b>	A natural desire to satisfy a bodily need, especially for food. <i>He has a healthy <b>appetite</b>.</i>
<b><u>craving</u></b>	An intense desire for some particular thing. <i>A <b>craving</b> for chocolate.</i>
<b>desire</b>	Something that is desired. <i>A man of many <b>desires</b>.</i>
<b><u>emptiness</u></b>	Having an empty stomach. <i>The <b>emptiness</b> of outer space.</i>
<b>hankering</b>	A yearning for something or to do something. <i>A <b>hankering</b> for family life.</i>
<b>hungriness</b>	A physiological need for food; the consequence of food deprivation.

<b>lack of food</b>	The state of needing something that is absent or unavailable.
<b>longing</b>	A yearning desire. <i>Miranda felt a wistful <b>longing</b> for the old days.</i>
<b>need</b>	The state of requiring help, or of lacking basic necessities such as food. <i>Help us in our hour of <b>need</b>.</i>
<b>need for food</b>	Anything that is necessary but lacking.
<b>pinning</b>	Straight-grained durable and often resinous white to yellowish timber of any of numerous trees of the genus Pinus.
<b>ravenousness</b>	Excessive desire to eat.
<b>thirst</b>	Lack of the liquid needed to sustain life. <i>He is oblivious to all the <b>thirst</b> around him.</i>
<b>thirstiness</b>	A deficiency of moisture (especially when resulting from a permanent absence of rainfall).
<b>want</b>	The state of being poor and in need of essentials; poverty. <i>Victorian houses which are in <b>want</b> of repair.</i>
<b>yearning</b>	Prolonged unfulfilled desire or need. <i>He felt a <b>yearning</b> for the mountains.</i>



## Usage Examples of "Hunger" as a noun

- *Hunger for affection.*
- *They died from cold and hunger.*
- *She was faint with hunger.*
- *Her hunger for knowledge.*



## Hunger as a Verb

### Definitions of "Hunger" as a verb

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

- *Feel or suffer hunger.*
- *Have a craving, appetite, or great desire for.*
- *Have a strong desire or craving for.*
- *Feel the need to eat.*
- *Be hungry; go without food.*



## Synonyms of "Hunger" as a verb (7 Words)

<a href="#">crave</a>	Plead or ask for earnestly. <i>I must <b>crave</b> your indulgence.</i>
<b>desire</b>	Feel or have a desire for want strongly. <i>John spake unto him and <b>desired</b> him in like manner and contestation as before.</i>
<b>famish</b>	Be hungry; go without food. <i>Many <b>famished</b> in the countryside during the drought.</i>
<b>have a craving for</b>	Serve oneself to, or consume regularly.
<a href="#">starve</a>	Suffer or die or cause to suffer or die from hunger. <i>She left her animals to <b>starve</b>.</i>
<b>thirst</b>	Have a strong desire for something. <i>An opponent <b>thirsting</b> for revenge.</i>



### Usage Examples of "Hunger" as a verb

- *He hungered for a sense of self-worth.*
- *When he had fasted forty days and forty nights, he afterwards hungered.*





## Associations of "Hunger" (30 Words)

<b>covet</b>	Yearn to possess (something, especially something belonging to another. <i>She <b>covets</b> her sister s house.</i>
<b>crave</b>	Plead or ask for earnestly. <i>I must <b>crave</b> your indulgence.</i>
<b>craving</b>	An intense desire for some particular thing. <i>A <b>craving</b> for chocolate.</i>
<b>dearth</b>	A situation where food is in short supply. <i>There is a <b>dearth</b> of evidence.</i>
<b>deficit</b>	A deficiency or failing, especially in a neurological or psychological function. <i>Last year there was a serious budgetary <b>deficit</b>.</i>
<b>destitute</b>	Not having. <i>Young recruits <b>destitute</b> of experience.</i>
<b>famine</b>	Hunger. <i>The <b>famine</b> of 1921 2.</i>
<b>famish</b>	Be hungry; go without food. <i>They had <b>famished</b> the city into surrender.</i>
<b>homeless</b>	Physically or spiritually homeless or deprived of security. <i>The plight of young <b>homeless</b> people.</i>
<b>indigence</b>	A state of extreme poverty; destitution. <i>He did valuable work towards the relief of <b>indigence</b>.</i>
<b>indigent</b>	Poor enough to need help from others. <i>A charity for the relief of <b>indigent</b> artists.</i>
<b>insufficiency</b>	(pathology) inability of a bodily part or organ to function normally. <i>Renal <b>insufficiency</b>.</i>
<b>lack</b>	Be without. <i>Sam did not <b>lack</b> for friends.</i>
<b>mealtime</b>	The hour at which a meal is habitually or customarily eaten. <i>Family life seemed to revolve around <b>mealtimes</b>.</i>
<b>need</b>	Have need of. <i>God has no <b>need</b> of men to accomplish His work.</i>
<b>needy</b>	Needy people collectively. <i><b>Needy</b> and elderly people.</i>
<b>pauper</b>	A person who is very poor. <i>He was buried in a <b>pauper</b> s grave.</i>
<b>pauperism</b>	A state of extreme poverty or destitution.

<b>penury</b>	A state of extreme poverty or destitution. <i>He couldn't face another year of <b>penury</b>.</i>
<b>poor</b>	Of a low or inferior standard or quality. <i>Many people are eating a very <b>poor</b> diet.</i>
<b>poverty</b>	The state of being extremely poor. <i>The <b>poverty</b> of her imagination.</i>
<b>raptorial</b>	(of a bird or other animal) predatory. <i><b>Raptorial</b> birds.</i>
<b>ravening</b>	(of a ferocious wild animal) extremely hungry and hunting for prey. <i><b>Ravening</b> creditors.</i>
<b>scarcity</b>	The state of being scarce or in short supply; shortage. <i>A time of <b>scarcity</b>.</i>
<b><u>shortage</u></b>	A state or situation in which something needed cannot be obtained in sufficient amounts. <i>The problems of land <b>shortage</b> in the countryside.</i>
<b>shortfall</b>	The property of being an amount by which something is less than expected or required. <i>They are facing an expected 10 billion <b>shortfall</b> in revenue.</i>
<b><u>starvation</u></b>	A state of extreme hunger resulting from lack of essential nutrients over a prolonged period. <i>The besiegers used <b>starvation</b> to induce surrender.</i>
<b><u>starve</u></b>	Force someone out of (a place) or into (a specified state) by starvation. <i>Seven million <b>starved</b> to death.</i>
<b>thirst</b>	A feeling of needing or wanting to drink something. <i>An opponent <b>thirsting</b> for revenge.</i>
<b>want</b>	Hunt or look for want for a particular reason. <i><b>Want</b> courtesy.</i>

