

Need another word that means the same as “impasse”? Find 8 synonyms and 30 related words for “impasse” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Impasse” are: dead end, deadlock, stalemate, standstill, blind alley, cul de sac, dead-end street, checkmate

Impasse as a Noun

Definitions of "Impasse" as a noun

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

- *A situation in which no progress can be made or no advancement is possible.*
- *A street with only one way in or out.*
- *A situation in which no progress is possible, especially because of disagreement; a deadlock.*



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

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| blind alley | Something intended to misrepresent the true nature of an activity. Said by a player to announce that the opponent's king is in the position of checkmate. |
| checkmate | <i>If the rebel forces succeed in cutting off the road they will have achieved checkmate.</i> |
| cul de sac | A passage with access only at one end. |
| dead end | A time when coldness (or some other quality associated with death) is intense. |
| dead-end street | A situation offering opportunities. |
| <u>deadlock</u> | A situation in a game or match where the scores are level. <i>An attempt to break the deadlock.</i> |
| <u>stalemate</u> | A situation in which further action or progress by opposing or competing parties seems impossible. <i>The war had again reached stalemate.</i> |
| standstill | A situation in which no progress can be made or no advancement is possible. <i>The traffic came to a standstill.</i> |



Usage Examples of "Impasse" as a noun

- *The current political impasse.*
- *Reached an impasse on the negotiations.*



Associations of "Impasse" (30 Words)

- abeyance** A state of temporary disuse or suspension.
*Matters were held in **abeyance** pending further enquiries.*
- cease** Cease is a noun only in the phrase without cease end.
*The hostilities **ceased** and normal life was resumed.*
- cessation** A stopping.
*A **cessation** of animal testing of cosmetics.*
- deadlock** Secure a door with a deadlock.
*Ashton broke the **deadlock** with a penalty after 15 minutes.*
- desist** Stop doing something; cease or abstain.
*Each pledged to **desist** from acts of sabotage.*
- difficulty** A condition or state of affairs almost beyond one's ability to deal with and requiring great effort to bear or overcome.
*Finished the test only with great **difficulty**.*

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| <u>discontinue</u> | Prevent completion. <i>He discontinued his visits.</i> |
| discontinuity | A break in or lack of continuity. <i>There is no significant discontinuity between modern and primitive societies.</i> |
| <u>halt</u> | Come to a halt stop moving. <i>Company halt.</i> |
| halting | Fragmentary or halting from emotional strain. <i>She speaks halting English with a heavy accent.</i> |
| hardship | Severe suffering or privation. <i>The many hardships of frontier life.</i> |
| <u>hiatus</u> | An interruption in the intensity or amount of something. <i>There was a brief hiatus in the war with France.</i> |
| <u>immovable</u> | Immovable property. <i>All immovable objects have graffiti sprayed on them.</i> |
| layover | A brief stay in the course of a journey. <i>There was only a forty eight minute layover.</i> |
| <u>pause</u> | A mark over a note or rest that is to be lengthened by an unspecified amount. <i>The speaker paused.</i> |
| permanently | For a long time without essential change. <i>He is permanently disabled.</i> |
| predicament | A difficult, unpleasant, or embarrassing situation. <i>Finds himself in a most awkward predicament.</i> |
| <u>puzzled</u> | Filled with bewilderment. <i>Puzzled that she left without saying goodbye.</i> |
| <u>quandary</u> | A state of perplexity or uncertainty over what to do in a difficult situation. <i>A legal quandary.</i> |
| quit | Give up in the face of defeat of lacking hope; admit defeat. <i>He quit as manager of the struggling Third Division team.</i> |
| resign | Part with a possession or right. <i>He lost his Queen and resigned in 45 moves.</i> |
| <u>stalemate</u> | Subject to a stalemate. <i>The war had again reached stalemate.</i> |
| stanch | Stop the flow of a liquid. |
| standstill | An interruption of normal activity. <i>The traffic came to a standstill.</i> |

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| stasis | A period or state of inactivity or equilibrium. <i>Long periods of stasis.</i> |
| stop | Used in telegrams to indicate a full stop. <i>He stopped work for tea.</i> |
| temporarily | For a limited period of time; not permanently. <i>A temporarily vacant department store.</i> |
| trouble | Take the trouble to do something concern oneself. <i>He wanted to die and end his troubles.</i> |
| unaccustomed | Not habituated to; unfamiliar with. <i>Many varieties of unaccustomed foods.</i> |
| walkout | The act of walking out (of a meeting or organization) as a sign of protest. <i>There was a walkout by the Black members as the chairman rose to speak.</i> |

