

Need another word that means the same as “lean”? Find 29 synonyms and 30 related words for “lean” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Lean” are: be given, incline, run, tend, list, angle, slant, tilt, tip, bend, be at an angle, slope, bank, heel, careen, cant, bias, veer, sway, rest, be propped up, recline, be supported, thin, skimpy, inclination, leaning

Lean as a Noun

Definitions of "Lean" as a noun

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

- *A deviation from the perpendicular; an inclination.*
- *The property possessed by a line or surface that departs from the vertical.*



Synonyms of "Lean" as a noun (4 Words)

- inclination** A person's natural tendency or urge to act or feel in a particular way; a disposition.
*Changes in **inclination** of the line on the graph.*
- leaning** The act of deviating from a vertical position.
*His early **leanings** towards socialism.*
- list** A formal structure analogous to a list by which items of data can be stored or processed in a definite order.
*The ship developed a **list** to starboard.*
- tilt** A combat between two mounted knights tilting against each other with blunted lances.
*The paper's **tilt** towards the United States.*



Usage Examples of "Lean" as a noun

- *The vehicle has a definite lean to the left.*



Lean as a Verb

Definitions of "Lean" as a verb

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

- *Cause to lean to the side.*
- *Rely on for support.*
- *Cause to lean or incline.*
- *Be in or move into a sloping position.*
- *Have a tendency or disposition to do or be something; be inclined.*
- *Cause something to rest against.*
- *To incline or bend from a vertical position.*
- *Incline from the perpendicular and rest for support against (something).*



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

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| <u>angle</u> | Move or be inclined at an angle. Angle your answer so that it is relevant to the job for which you are applying. |
| bank | Put into a bank account. She banked up the fire. |
| be at an angle | Work in a specific place, with a specific subject, or in a specific function. |
| be given | To remain unmolested, undisturbed, or uninterrupted — used only in infinitive form. |
| be propped up | Be priced at. |
| be supported | Be priced at. |
| bend | Bend a joint. The stick does not bend . |

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| bias | Give a bias to. <i>You are biasing my choice by telling me yours.</i> |
| cant | Talk hypocritically and sanctimoniously about something. <i>If they d stop canting about honest work they might get somewhere.</i> |
| careen | Move swiftly and in an uncontrolled way. <i>An electric golf cart careened around the corner.</i> |
| heel | Push or kick the ball out of the back of the scrum with one s heel. <i>They got into lines and began to heel toe and then jump together.</i> |
| incline | Have a tendency or disposition to do or be something be inclined. <i>His prejudice inclines him to overlook obvious facts.</i> |
| list | Include in a list. <i>The ship listed to starboard.</i> |
| recline | Cause to recline. <i>She reclined her head on the pillow.</i> |
| <u>rest</u> | Not move be in a resting position. <i>She rested her hopes in her attorney.</i> |
| run | Flee take to one s heels cut and run. <i>These dyes and colors are guaranteed not to run.</i> |
| <u>slant</u> | Lie obliquely. <i>A ploughed field slanted up to the skyline.</i> |
| <u>sway</u> | Move or walk in a swinging or swaying manner. <i>The wind swayed the trees gently.</i> |
| <u>tend</u> | Have a tendency or disposition to do or be something be inclined. <i>Tend a store.</i> |
| tilt | Charge with a tilt. <i>He tilted his head to one side.</i> |
| tip | Remove the tip from. <i>Tip the arrow with the small stone.</i> |
| <u>veer</u> | Suddenly change an opinion, subject, type of behaviour, etc. <i>The wind veered a point.</i> |



Usage Examples of "Lean" as a verb

- *He leaned his rifle against the wall.*
- *We can lean on this man.*
- *He leaned back in his chair.*
- *A man was leaning against the wall.*
- *He leaned his elbows on the table.*
- *She leaned over the banister.*



Lean as an Adjective

Definitions of "Lean" as an adjective

According to the [Oxford Dictionary of English](#), "lean" as an adjective can have the following definitions:

- *Lacking in mineral content or combustible material.*
- *Not profitable or prosperous.*
- *Containing little excess.*
- *Lacking excess flesh-Shakespeare.*
- *Lacking excess flesh.*



Synonyms of "Lean" as an adjective (2 Words)

skimpy (of clothing) revealing the body.
*My knowledge of music is extremely **skimpy**.*

thin Relatively thin in consistency or low in density not viscous.
*A **thin** line of paint.*



Usage Examples of "Lean" as an adjective

- *A lean year.*
- *A lean budget.*
- *Yon Cassius has a lean and hungry look.*



Associations of "Lean" (30 Words)

angle

Angle iron or a similar constructional material made of another metal.
*Still the rain **angles** down.*

axis

The main stem or central part about which plant organs or plant parts such as branches are arranged.
*The Anglo American **axis**.*

banister

The structure formed by the uprights and handrail at the side of a staircase.
*I stuck my head between the **banisters**.*

bend

Bend one's back forward from the waist on down.
*Sailors were **bending** sails to the spars.*

bending

The act of bending something.

bow

A single passage of a bow over the strings of an instrument.
*The government **bowed** to the military pressure.*

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| condescend | Behave in a patronizing and condescending manner. <i>He condescended to see me at my hotel.</i> |
| corner | A free hit in field hockey taken from the corner of the field. <i>In many corners of the world they still practice slavery.</i> |
| crouch | A crouching stance or posture. <i>We crouched down in the trench.</i> |
| elevator | A tall building used for storing grain. <i>In the harbour a giant elevator stores prairie grain.</i> |
| ellipticity | The condition of being elliptic. |
| escalator | A stairway whose steps move continuously on a circulating belt. |
| fold | A line or crease produced in paper or cloth as the result of folding it. <i>Sam folded up the map.</i> |
| gangling | Tall and thin. <i>A gangling youth with a trace of down on his cheeks.</i> |
| hypotenuse | The side of a right triangle opposite the right angle. |
| incline | An inclined surface connecting two levels. <i>I m inclined to agree with you.</i> |
| landing | Structure providing a place where boats can land people or goods. <i>His landing on his feet was catlike.</i> |
| obliquity | The quality of being deceptive. |
| recumbent | Lying down; in a position of comfort or rest. <i>Recumbent statues.</i> |
| refraction | The fact or phenomenon of light, radio waves, etc. being deflected in passing obliquely through the interface between one medium and another or through a medium of varying density. |
| skew | Neither parallel nor at right angles to a specified or implied line askew crooked. <i>His leg was skewed in and pushed against the other one.</i> |
| slant | To incline or bend from a vertical position. <i>Slant pockets.</i> |
| staircase | A way of access (upward and downward) consisting of a set of steps. <i>He descended the broad staircase.</i> |
| stoop | Small porch or set of steps at the front entrance of a house. <i>She was unwilling to believe that anyone could stoop so low as to steal from a dead woman.</i> |
| swerve | Turn sharply; change direction abruptly. <i>Do not make sudden swerves particularly around parked vehicles.</i> |

tend

Have a tendency or disposition to do or be something be inclined.

*Written language **tends** to be formal.*

theta

Denoting a temperature at which a polymer solution behaves ideally as regards its osmotic pressure.

***Theta** Draconis.*

tilt

Charge with a tilt.

*He **tilts** at his prey.*

wizened

Shrivelled or wrinkled with age.

*A **wizened** little man with frizzy grey hair.*

yaw

An erratic deflection from an intended course.

*The ship **yawed** when the huge waves hit it.*

