

Need another word that means the same as “lick”? Find 86 synonyms and 30 related words for “lick” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Lick” are: lap, lap up, figure out, puzzle out, solve, work, work out, bat, clobber, cream, drub, thrash, tongue, wet, moisten, wash, clean, flicker, play, flick, flit, dart, ripple, dance, overcome, get the better of, find an answer to, find a solution to, conquer, beat, quell, control, govern, master, curb, check, bridle, tame, defeat, best, trounce, rout, vanquish, overwhelm, overpower, destroy, triumph over, prevail over, gain a victory over, win against, win over, worst, subdue, quash, crush, biff, clout, poke, punch, slug, salt lick, dab, bit, drop, dash, spot, touch, hint, dribble, splash, sprinkle, trickle, knock, bang, hit, thump, smack, crack, thwack, buffet, jolt, stroke, rap, tap, clip

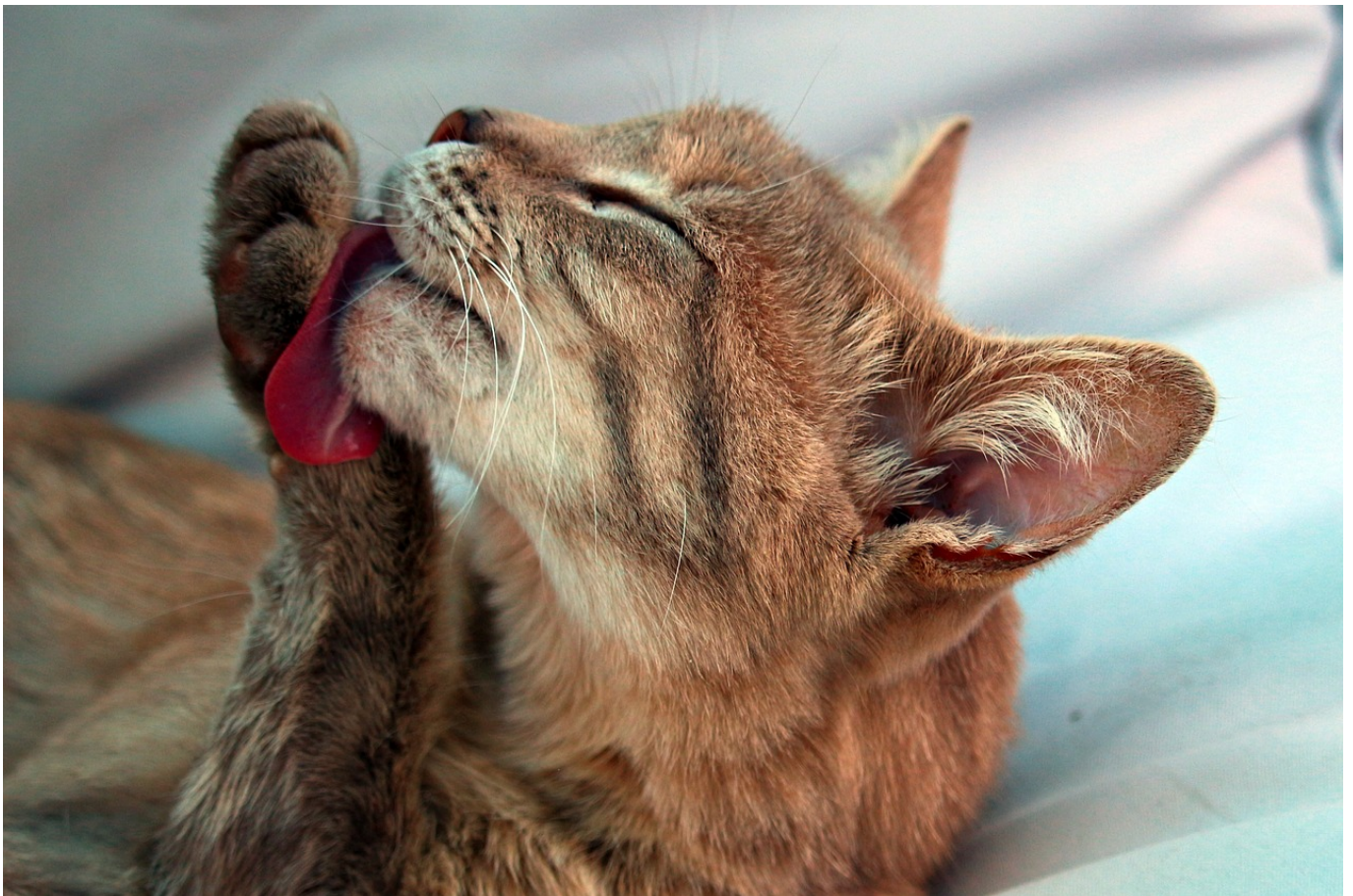
Lick as a Noun

Definitions of "Lick" as a noun

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

- *A quick movement of flame, water, etc.*
- *An act of licking something with the tongue.*
- *Touching with the tongue.*
- *A short phrase or solo in jazz or popular music.*
- *A blow with the fist.*

- *A light coating or quick application of something, especially paint.*
- *A smart blow.*
- *A salt deposit that animals regularly lick.*
- *An extremely small amount of something abstract.*
- *(boxing) a blow with the fist.*



Synonyms of "Lick" as a noun (31 Words)

- bang** A fringe of hair cut straight across the forehead.
*She brushed back her wispy **bangs**.*
- biff** (boxing) a blow with the fist.
- bit** The cutting part of a drill usually pointed and threaded and is replaceable in a brace or bitstock or drill press.
*He had a **bit** of good luck.*
- buffet** A meal set out on a buffet at which guests help themselves.
*A cold **buffet** lunch.*

- clip** A piece of jewellery fastened by a clip.
*He shot twice but his **clip** was empty.*
- clout** A long distance shot that hits a clout.
*A **clout** round the ear.*
- dab** A brief application of a piece of absorbent material to a surface.
*The catalogue is being dusted for your **dabs**.*
- dash** Impetuous or flamboyant vigour and confidence; panache.
*A 20 mile **dash** to the airport.*
- dribble** Flowing in drops; the formation and falling of drops of liquid.
*A mesmerizing **dribble** by Daley took him through to confirm Villa's victory.*
- drop** An instance of falling or dropping.
*He had a **drop** too much to drink.*
- hint** A just detectable amount.
*A **hint** mockery in her manner.*
- hit** A murder carried out by an underworld syndicate.
*Some of the killings were contract **hits**.*
- jolt** An unpleasant surprise or shock.
*The door closed with a **jolt**.*
- knock** The sound of knocking as on a door or in an engine or bearing.
*A splendid **knock** of 117 against Somerset.*
- lap** A hanging flap on a garment or a saddle.
*Come and sit on my **lap**.*
- poke** Power or acceleration in a car.
*She gave the fire a **poke**.*
- punch** An iced mixed drink usually containing alcohol and prepared for multiple servings normally served in a punch bowl.
*Photos give their arguments an extra visual **punch**.*
- rap** A piece of rap or the words themselves.
*Dropping in after work for a **rap** over a beer.*
- salt lick** Negotiations between the United States and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics opened in 1969 in Helsinki designed to limit both countries' stock of nuclear weapons.
- slug** (boxing) a blow with the fist.
*He took a **slug** of hard liquor.*
- smack** The act of smacking something a blow delivered with an open hand.
*She gave Mark a **smack** across the face.*

- splash** The act of splashing a liquid substance on a surface.
*There s going to be a big **splash** when Mike returns to the ring.*
- spot** A business establishment for entertainment.
*A **spot** of rain.*
- sprinkle** A light rain.
*Fiction with a **sprinkle** of fact.*
- tap** A taproom.
*She turned the cold **tap** on.*
- thump** A heavy dull sound (as made by impact of heavy objects).
*The bag landed on the floor with a **thump**.*
- thwack** A sharp blow.
*He hit it with a hefty **thwack**.*
- touch** An act of touching someone or something.
*Getting caught looks so incompetent as though we re losing our **touch**.*
- trickle** A small flow of liquid.
*A **trickle** of blood.*



Usage Examples of "Lick" as a noun

- *His mother gave him several licks for daring to blaspheme.*
- *There's not a lick of suspense in the entire plot.*
- *Cool guitar licks.*
- *Sammy gave his fingers a lick.*
- *She needed to give the kitchen a lick of paint.*
- *A tiny lick of flame flickered round the mouth of the flamethrower.*



Lick as a Verb

Definitions of "Lick" as a verb

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

- *Pass the tongue over (something) in order to taste, moisten, or clean it.*
- *Beat thoroughly and conclusively in a competition or fight.*
- *Overcome (a person or problem) decisively.*
- *(of a flame, wave, or breeze) move lightly and quickly like a tongue.*
- *Find the solution to (a problem or question) or understand the meaning of.*
- *Cut or knock someone or something down.*
- *Pass the tongue over.*
- *Take up with the tongue.*
- *Beat or thrash (someone).*



Synonyms of "Lick" as a verb (55 Words)

bat

Have a turn at bat.
*He **batted** the flies away.*

beat

Shape by beating.
*Upright cleaners have a motorized head which **beats** the carpet to loosen the dirt.*

best	Outwit or get the better of (someone). <i>She refused to allow herself to be bested.</i>
bridle	Put a bridle on. Bridle horses.
check	Put a check mark on or near or next to. Check your luggage before boarding.
clean	Make clean by removing dirt filth or unwanted substances from. <i>She housecleans every week.</i>
<u>clobber</u>	Beat thoroughly and conclusively in a competition or fight. <i>The Braves clobbered the Cubs 23 10.</i>
conquer	Bring under control by force or authority. <i>The Beatles were to leave Liverpool and conquer the world.</i>
control	Control others or oneself or influence skillfully usually to one's advantage. <i>He was appointed to control the company's marketing strategy.</i>
<u>cream</u>	Make creamy by beating. <i>You cream the butter first and then add the egg yolks.</i>
crush	Crush or bruise. Crush an aluminum can.
curb	Restrain a horse by means of a curb. Curb your dogs.
<u>dance</u>	Perform a particular dance or a role in a ballet. <i>Midges danced over the stream.</i>
<u>dart</u>	Move along rapidly and lightly skim or dart. <i>His forefinger darted in all directions as he spoke.</i>
defeat	Win a victory over (someone) in a battle or other contest; overcome or beat. <i>Garibaldi defeated the Neapolitan army.</i>
destroy	Destroy completely damage irreparably. <i>He has been determined to destroy her.</i>
drub	Hit or beat (someone) repeatedly. <i>He was drubbed with tiresome regularity by his classmates.</i>
figure out	Understand.
find a solution to	Receive a specified treatment (abstract).
find an answer to	Perceive oneself to be in a certain condition or place.
flick	Cause to move with a flick. <i>The candle flickered.</i>

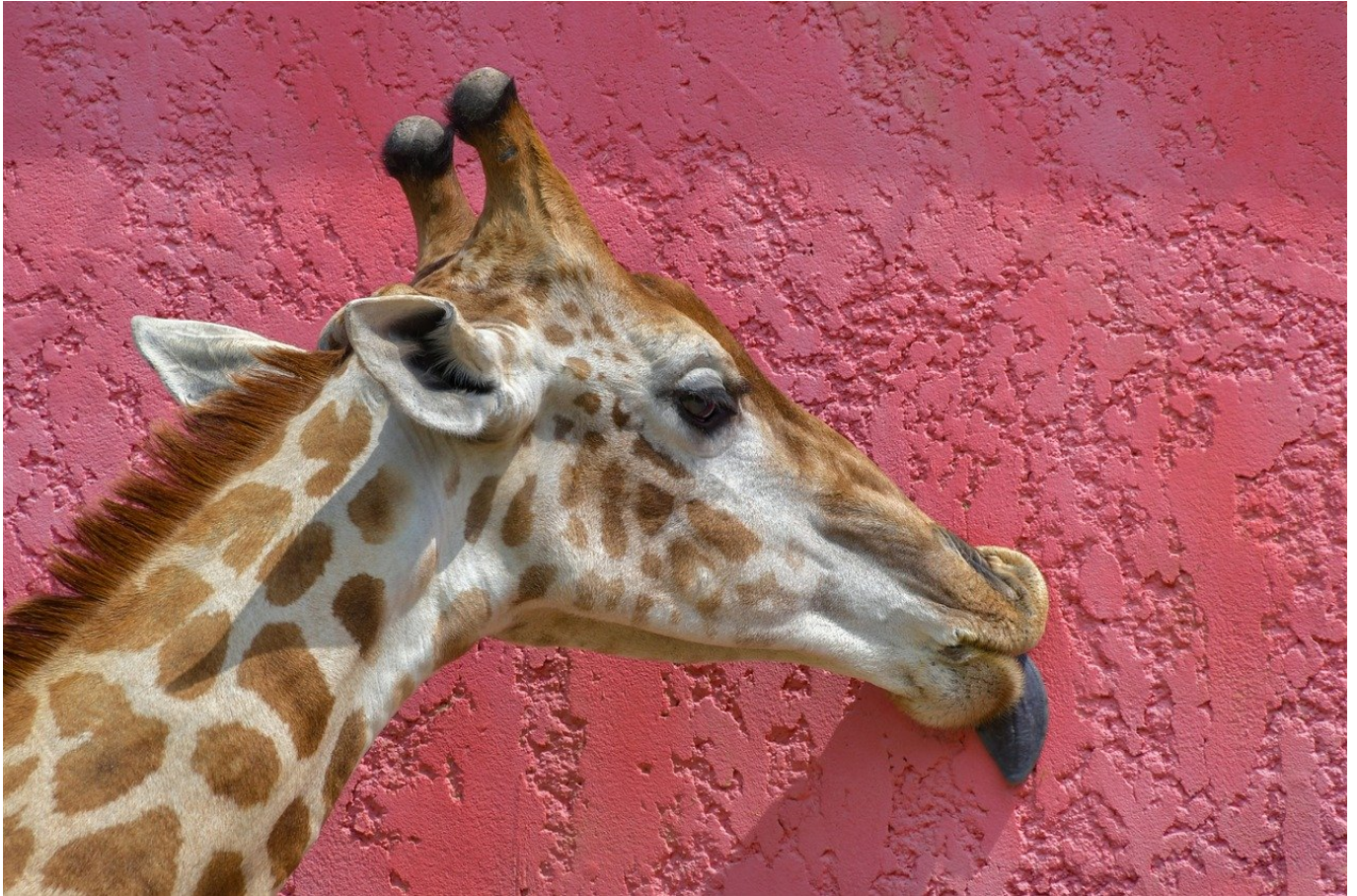
flicker	(of light or a source of light) shine unsteadily; vary rapidly in brightness. <i>The candle flickered again.</i>
flit	Move house or leave one's home, typically secretly so as to escape creditors or obligations. <i>Small birds flitted about in the branches.</i>
gain a victory over	Obtain advantages, such as points, etc.
get the better of	Communicate with a place or person; establish communication with, as if by telephone.
govern	Control, influence, or regulate (a person, action, or course of events). <i>Who is governing the country now.</i>
lap	Move with or cause to move with a whistling or hissing sound. <i>The cat lapped up the milk.</i>
lap up	Take up with the tongue.
master	Make a master copy of a film or recording. <i>I never mastered Latin.</i>
moisten	Moisten with fine drops. <i>The dew moistened the meadows.</i>
overcome	Overcome usually through no fault or weakness of the person that is overcome. <i>You must overcome all difficulties.</i>
overpower	Be too intense for; overwhelm. <i>They were overpowered by the fumes.</i>
overwhelm	Overcome by superior force. <i>Floodwaters overwhelmed hundreds of houses.</i>
play	Move a piece or display a playing card in one's turn in a game. <i>I'll play you my favorite record.</i>
prevail over	Prove superior.
puzzle out	Be a mystery or bewildering to.
quash	Put an end to; suppress. <i>His conviction was quashed on appeal.</i>
quell	Overcome or allay. <i>Quell my hunger.</i>
ripple	Stir up water so as to form ripples. <i>Applause rippled around the tables.</i>
rout	Make a groove in. <i>In a matter of minutes the attackers were routed.</i>

solve	Find the solution to (a problem or question) or understand the meaning of. <i>Did you solve the problem.</i>
subdue	Overcome, quieten, or bring under control (a feeling or person). <i>Charles went on a campaign to subdue the Saxons.</i>
tame	Adapt (a wild plant or unclaimed land) to the environment. <i>The author finally tamed some of his potentially offensive statements.</i>
thrash	Give a thrashing to beat hard. <i>Two months of thrashing around on my own have produced nothing.</i>
tongue	Sound a note distinctly on a wind instrument by interrupting the air flow with the tongue. <i>The other horse tongued every part of the colt s mane.</i>
triumph over	To express great joy.
trounce	Censure severely or angrily. <i>Insider dealing has been roundly trounced.</i>
vanquish	Defeat thoroughly. <i>He successfully vanquished his rival.</i>
wash	Be capable of being washed. <i>He washed the dirt from his coat.</i>
wet	Make one s bed or clothes wet by urinating. <i>She said she d wet the tea immediately because they must be parched.</i>
win against	Be the winner in a contest or competition; be victorious.
win over	Attain success or reach a desired goal.
work	Be engaged in physical or mental activity in order to achieve a result do work. <i>The voting process doesn t work as well as people thought.</i>
work out	Cause to undergo fermentation.
worst	Defeat thoroughly. <i>This was not the time for a deep discussion she was tired and she would be worsted.</i>



Usage Examples of "Lick" as a verb

- *All right Mary, I know when I'm licked.*
- *He licked the stamp and stuck it on the envelope.*
- *The boy was quiet, but if you cross he path, he lick you down.*
- *The dog licked her hand.*
- *The cub licked the milk from its mother's breast.*
- *The Chancellor said that the government had inflation licked.*
- *The flames licked around the wood.*
- *She stands tall and could lick any man in the place.*
- *We licked the other team on Sunday!*



Associations of "Lick" (30 Words)

- acidic** (of a colour) strikingly intense or bright.
*A cocktail of **acidic** pollutants.*
- brow** An eyebrow.
*He wiped his **brow**.*
- bulldog** Throw a steer by seizing the horns and twisting the neck, as in a rodeo.
*I **bulldogged** and rode broncos.*
- cheek** An impudent statement.
*He had the **cheek** to complain.*
- chin** Draw one's body up so that one's chin is level with or above a horizontal bar with one's feet off the ground as an exercise.
*Grey stubble covered his cheeks and **chin**.*
- cleft** Split or divided.
*He had a **cleft** chin and strong jaw.*

dog	Used in names of dogfishes e.g. sandy dog, spur dog. <i>She has dogged the door shut.</i>
epiglottis	A flap of cartilage behind the root of the tongue, which is depressed during swallowing to cover the opening of the windpipe.
forehead	The part of the face above the eyes.
halitosis	Offensive breath.
hyoid	Relating to the hyoid or structures associated with it.
jaw	The lower movable bone of the jaw or the part of the face containing it. <i>He jawed his bubble gum.</i>
kitten	Give birth to kittens. <i>Our cat kittened again this year.</i>
larynx	A cartilaginous structure at the top of the trachea; contains elastic vocal cords that are the source of the vocal tone in speech.
leech	A person who extorts profit from or sponges on others. <i>They are leeches feeding off the hard working majority.</i>
lingua	A mobile mass of muscular tissue covered with mucous membrane and located in the oral cavity.
lip	Either of the two fleshy parts which form the upper and lower edges of the opening of the mouth. <i>The lip of the cup.</i>
mouth	The opening through which an animal takes in food corresponding to the human mouth. <i>They built a fire at the mouth of the cave.</i>
nose	Push or move with the nose. <i>The nose of the saddle.</i>
palate	A person's ability to distinguish between and appreciate different flavours. <i>The suggestions may not suit everyone's palate.</i>
pet	A fit of petulance or sulkiness especially at what is felt to be a slight. <i>She is the pet of the family.</i>
pug	Small compact smooth-coated breed of Asiatic origin having a tightly curled tail and broad flat wrinkled muzzle.
pup	Give birth to a puppy. <i>Pupping females.</i>
puppy	A cheeky or arrogant boy or young man. <i>You ungrateful puppy.</i>
spoken	Speaking in a specified way. <i>The spoken language.</i>

thrash A violent or noisy movement of beating or thrashing.
*The system is **thrashing** again.*

throat The part of an animal's body that corresponds to a person's throat.
*Her **throat** was parched with thirst.*

tongue The tongue of certain animals used as meat.
*A galantine of **tongue**.*

whelp Young of any of various canines such as a dog or wolf.
*Copper **whelped** seven puppies.*

