

Need another word that means the same as “loose”? Find 71 synonyms and 30 related words for “loose” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Loose” are: open, escaped, on the loose, lax, unaffixed, free, liberal, easy, light, promiscuous, sluttish, wanton, slack, idle, informal, not fixed in place, not secure, insecure, unsecured, unattached, untied, unbound, down, flowing, floppy, baggy, loose-fitting, roomy, vague, indefinite, inexact, imprecise, ill-defined, unrigorous, loosen, liberate, release, unloose, unloosen, let loose, unleash, relax, set free, turn loose, set loose, let go, remove, detach, disentangle, extricate, separate, disconnect, unfasten, unclasp, unclick, uncouple, decouple, undo, unhook, unhitch, untie, unyoke, slacken, fire, discharge, shoot, eject, catapult, let fly with**

## Loose as a Verb

### Definitions of "Loose" as a verb

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

- *Make (something) loose; untie or undo.*

- *Grant freedom to; free from confinement.*
- *Make loose or looser.*
- *Fire (a bullet, arrow, etc.*
- *Relax (one's grip.*
- *Turn loose or free from restraint.*
- *Set free; release.*
- *Become loose or looser or less tight.*



## Synonyms of "Loose" as a verb (36 Words)

- catapult** Shoot forth or launch as if from a catapult.  
*The enemy **catapulted** rocks towards the fort.*
- decouple** Regard as unconnected.  
*The mountings effectively **decouple** movements of the engine from those of the wheels.*

<b>detach</b>	Come to be detached. <i>A figure in brown <b>detached</b> itself from the shadows.</i>
<b>discharge</b>	Go off or discharge. <i>Industrial plants <b>discharge</b> highly toxic materials into rivers.</i>
<b>disconnect</b>	Make disconnected disjoin or unfasten. <i>I phoned them in Edinburgh but we got <b>disconnected</b>.</i>
<b>disentangle</b>	Free from involvement or entanglement. <i>How can I <b>disentangle</b> myself from her personal affairs.</i>
<b>eject</b>	Leave an aircraft rapidly using an ejection seat or capsule. <i>Angry supporters were forcibly <b>ejected</b> from the court.</i>
<b>extricate</b>	Free (someone or something) from a constraint or difficulty. <i>I cannot <b>extricate</b> myself from this task.</i>
<b>fire</b>	Start or maintain a fire in. <i>He <b>fired</b> up the laptop to find the address of his hostel.</i>
<b>free</b>	Grant freedom to free from confinement. <i>They were <b>freed</b> from jail.</i>
<b>let fly with</b>	Leave unchanged.
<b>let go</b>	Cause to move; cause to be in a certain position or condition.
<b>let loose</b>	Make it possible through a specific action or lack of action for something to happen.
<b>liberate</b>	Release (gas or energy) as a result of a chemical reaction or physical decomposition. <i>The students <b>liberated</b> their slaves upon graduating from the university.</i>
<b>loosen</b>	Become relaxed or less tight. <i>He <b>loosened</b> his hold so she could pull her arms free.</i>
<b>relax</b>	Cause to feel relaxed. <i>The team <b>relax</b> with a lot of skiing.</i>
<b>release</b>	Release gas or energy as a result of a chemical reaction or physical decomposition. <i>The plant <b>releases</b> a gas.</i>
<b>remove</b>	Remove something concrete as by lifting pushing or taking off or remove something abstract. <i>He <b>removed</b> his children to the countryside.</i>
<b>separate</b>	Separate into parts or portions. <i><b>Separate</b> the eggs and beat the egg yolks.</i>
<b>set free</b>	Put or set (seeds, seedlings, or plants) into the ground.
<b>set loose</b>	Put into a certain state; cause to be in a certain state.

<b>shoot</b>	Shoot game over an estate or other area of countryside. <b>Shoot</b> craps.
<b>slacken</b>	Make slack as by lessening tension or firmness. He <b>slackened</b> his grip.
<b>turn loose</b>	Cause to move along an axis or into a new direction.
<b>unclasp</b>	Release from a clasp. I <b>unclasped</b> her fingers from my hair.
<b>unclick</b>	Deselect (an option on an electronic interface) by pressing a button on a mouse or screen. I put my hand down to <b>unclick</b> my seatbelt but realized I forgot to buckle it in the first place.
<b>uncouple</b>	Release (hunting dogs) from being fastened together in couples. They <b>uncoupled</b> the engine.
<b>undo</b>	Cancel or reverse the effects or results of (a previous action or measure). <b>Undo</b> the shoelace.
<b>unfasten</b>	Open the fastening of; undo (something). <b>Unfasten</b> your belt.
<b>unhitch</b>	Unfasten or release from or as if from a hitch. He <b>unhitched</b> the side of the trailer.
<b>unhook</b>	Unfasten or detach (something that is held or caught by a hook). She <b>unhooked</b> a towelling robe from behind the door.
<b>unleash</b>	Release from a leash. The failure of the talks could <b>unleash</b> more fighting.
<b>unloose</b>	Loosen the ties of. He rushed across to <b>unloose</b> the dog.
<b>unloosen</b>	Undo or let free; unloose. I felt hands <b>unloosening</b> my blindfold.
<b>untie</b>	Undo or unfasten (something that is tied or tied up). She knelt to <b>untie</b> her laces.
<b>unyoke</b>	Release (a pair of animals) from a yoke. <b>Unyoke</b> the cow.



## Usage Examples of "Loose" as a verb

- *Let loose mines.*
- *The ropes were loosed.*
- *He loosed off a shot at the vehicle.*
- *Loosen the tension on a rope.*
- *He loosed his grip suddenly.*
- *The noose loosened.*
- *The hounds have been loosed.*



## Loose as an Adjective

### Definitions of "Loose" as an adjective

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

- *Lacking a sense of restraint or responsibility.*
- *Careless and indiscreet in what is said.*
- *Not affixed.*
- *Not rigidly organized.*
- *(of play in cricket) inaccurate or careless.*
- *(of faeces) containing excessive liquid.*
- *Engaging in casual sexual encounters or relationships.*
- *Not compact or dense in structure or arrangement.*
- *Emptying easily or excessively.*

- *Not tense or taut.*
- *(of textures) full of small openings or gaps.*
- *(of the ball or puck in a game) in play but not in any player's possession.*
- *Not carefully arranged in a package.*
- *Full of small openings or gaps.*
- *Not held or tied together or contained within something.*
- *(of play, especially in rugby) with the players not close together.*
- *Not in the possession or control of any player.*
- *Relaxed; physically slack.*
- *Having escaped, especially from confinement.*
- *(of a garment) not fitting tightly or closely.*
- *(of a person or animal) not tied up or shut in.*
- *Not tight; not closely constrained or constricted or constricting.*
- *(of a ball in sport) not in the possession or control of any player.*
- *Casual and unrestrained in sexual behavior.*
- *Not literal.*
- *Not strict or exact.*
- *Not close, compact, or solid in structure or formation.*
- *Not officially recognized or controlled.*
- *Not firmly or tightly fixed in place; detached or able to be detached.*



## Synonyms of "Loose" as an adjective (34 Words)

- baggy** Not fitting closely; hanging loosely.  
*Baggy trousers.*
- down** Denoting a flavour variety of stable quark having relatively low mass and an electric charge of  $-\frac{1}{3}$ . In the Standard Model protons and neutrons are composed of up and down quarks.  
*The shades were **down**.*
- easy** Casual and unrestrained in sexual behavior.  
*An **easy** victory.*
- escaped** Having escaped especially from confinement.  
*Searching for two **escaped** prisoners.*
- floppy** Tending to flop or hang loosely.  
*A spaniel with **floppy** ears.*



<b>flowing</b>	(especially of long hair or clothing) hanging or draping loosely and gracefully. <i>A <b>flowing</b> prose style.</i>
<b>free</b>	Able or permitted to take a specified action. <i>You are <b>free</b> to leave.</i>
<b>idle</b>	Without a basis in reason or fact. <i>The mill has been standing <b>idle</b> for eight years.</i>
<b>ill-defined</b>	Poorly stated or described.
<b>imprecise</b>	Not precise. <i>The terms he used were <b>imprecise</b> and emotional.</i>
<b>indefinite</b>	Lasting for an unknown or unstated length of time. <i>Were <b>indefinite</b> about their plans.</i>
<b>inexact</b>	Not exact. <i>An <b>inexact</b> description.</i>
<b>informal</b>	Having or fostering a warm or friendly and informal atmosphere. <i>An <b>informal</b> free and easy manner.</i>
<u><b>insecure</b></u>	(of a job or situation) liable to change for the worse; not permanent or settled. <i>A top model who is notoriously <b>insecure</b> about her looks.</i>
<u><b>lax</b></u>	Of a speech sound especially a vowel pronounced with the vocal muscles relaxed. <i>He d been a bit <b>lax</b> about discipline in school lately.</i>
<u><b>liberal</b></u>	Having political or social views favoring reform and progress. <i>A <b>liberal</b> democratic state.</i>
<b>light</b>	Psychologically light especially free from sadness or troubles. <i><b>Light</b> housework.</i>
<b>loose-fitting</b>	Not fitting closely; hanging loosely.
<b>not fixed in place</b>	Having a fixed and unchanging value.
<b>not secure</b>	Not likely to fail or give way.
<b>on the loose</b>	Not carefully arranged in a package.
<b>open</b>	Openly straightforward and direct without reserve or secretiveness. <i>I was quite <b>open</b> about my views.</i>
<u><b>promiscuous</b></u>	Demonstrating or implying an unselective approach; indiscriminate or casual. <i>They ran wild indulging in <b>promiscuous</b> sex and experimenting with drugs.</i>

<b>roomy</b>	(of buildings and rooms) having ample space. <i>The cabin is <b>roomy</b> and well planned.</i>
<b>slack</b>	(of business or trade) characterized by a lack of work or activity; quiet. <i>They were working at a <b>slack</b> pace.</i>
<b>sluttish</b>	Having low standards of cleanliness. <i>Drunken <b>sluttish</b> behaviour.</i>
<b>unaffixed</b>	Not affixed.
<b>unattached</b>	Not married or having an established partner; single. <i>Local people <b>unattached</b> to any organization.</i>
<b>unbound</b>	Not bound or tied up. <i><b>Unbound</b> electrons.</i>
<b>unrigorous</b>	Not thorough, careful, or strictly applied. <i>The medical societies dismissed the practice as <b>unrigorous</b> and unethical.</i>
<b>unsecured</b>	Of a creditor having made an unsecured loan. <i>An <b>unsecured</b> note.</i>
<b>untied</b>	(of an international loan or aid) not given subject to the condition that it should be used for purchases from the donor country. <i><b>Untied</b> German credits to the Soviet Union.</i>
<u>vague</u>	Of uncertain, indefinite, or unclear character or meaning. <i>Saw a <b>vague</b> outline of a building through the fog.</i>
<u>wanton</u>	Growing profusely; luxuriant. <i>Sheer <b>wanton</b> vandalism.</i>



## Usage Examples of "Loose" as an adjective

- *The bull was loose with cattle in the field.*
- *There is too much loose talk about the situation.*
- *Pockets bulging with loose change.*
- *Loose bowel movements.*
- *Wear your hair loose.*
- *Lucas punished some loose bowling severely.*
- *A loose weave.*
- *A loose ball.*
- *Dogs loose on the streets.*
- *The fabric's loose weave.*
- *She ran the risk of being called a loose woman.*
- *A box of loose nails.*
- *The tethered horses broke loose.*
- *The old man's skin hung loose and grey.*

- *A loose tooth.*
- *Loose clothing.*
- *A loose tongue.*
- *A loose organization of the local farmers.*
- *Loose soil.*
- *She swung into her easy, loose stride.*
- *The stamp came loose.*
- *She slipped into a loose T-shirt.*
- *A loose interpretation.*
- *He was told to avoid loose (or light) women.*
- *A loose federation of political groups.*
- *The lorry's trailer came loose.*
- *Loose gravel.*
- *The large shoes were very loose.*
- *Criminals on the loose in the neighborhood.*
- *A loose interpretation of what she had been told.*
- *Loose bowels.*



## Loose as an Adverb

### Definitions of "Loose" as an adverb

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

- *Without restraint.*



### Synonyms of "Loose" as an adverb (1 Word)

**free** Without restraint.  
*Ladies were admitted **free**.*



## Usage Examples of "Loose" as an adverb

- *Cows in India are running loose.*



## Associations of "Loose" (30 Words)

<b>baggy</b>	Loose, wide-legged trousers or shorts. <i>His eyes were <b>baggy</b> with the fatigue of overwork.</i>
<b>belt</b>	Attach or secure with a belt. <i>A <b>belt</b> of high pressure.</i>
<b>boot</b>	Kick give a boot to. <i>The laptop <b>boots</b> up in 14 seconds flat.</i>
<b>decompression</b>	The process of expanding computer data to its normal size so that it can be read by a computer. <i>Itching and rashes often occur following <b>decompression</b>.</i>
<b>disengage</b>	Become free. <i>The ceasefire gave the commanders a chance to <b>disengage</b> their forces.</i>
<b>disentangle</b>	Free from involvement or entanglement. <i>Can you <b>disentangle</b> the cord.</i>
<b>doublet</b>	The same number on two dice thrown at once. <i>They were wearing red velvet <b>doublets</b> and hose.</i>
<b>droop</b>	An act or instance of drooping a limp or weary attitude. <i>A long black cloak <b>drooped</b> from his shoulders.</i>
<b>floppy</b>	A small plastic magnetic disk enclosed in a stiff envelope with a radial slit; used to store data or programs for a microcomputer. <i><b>Floppy</b> disks are noted for their relatively slow speed and small capacity and low price.</i>
<b>free</b>	Grant freedom to free from confinement. <i>She spent her <b>free</b> time shopping.</i>
<b>hat</b>	Put on or wear a hat. <i>He was unsuitably <b>hatted</b>.</i>
<b>lax</b>	Of a speech sound especially a vowel pronounced with the vocal muscles relaxed. <i>The merger of tense and <b>lax</b> vowels before l.</i>
<b>lenient</b>	Tolerant or lenient. <i><b>Lenient</b> magistrates.</i>
<b>limp</b>	A tendency to limp a gait impeded by injury or stiffness. <i>The conversation <b>limped</b> on for half an hour.</i>
<b>loll</b>	Hang loosely or laxly. <i>His tongue <b>loll</b>ed.</i>

<b><u>loosely</u></b>	In a loose manner. <i>He moved <b>loosely</b> from side to side.</i>
<b>loosen</b>	Make loose or looser. <i><b>Loosen</b> the soil.</i>
<b>rein</b>	Control and direct with or as if by reins. <i>The government had failed to <b>rein</b> in public spending.</i>
<b><u>remiss</u></b>	Lacking care or attention to duty; negligent. <i>It would be very <b>remiss</b> of me not to pass on that information.</i>
<b>sag</b>	The amount of a sag measured as the perpendicular distance from the middle of the curve to the straight line between the two supporting points. <i>She let her head <b>sag</b> lower and lower.</i>
<b>slack</b>	The part of a rope or line which is not held taut; the loose or unused part. <i>Soon the water will become <b>slack</b> and the tide will turn.</i>
<b><u>sloppy</u></b>	Careless and unsystematic; excessively casual. <i>She wore a <b>sloppy</b> sweater and jeans.</i>
<b>sweatshirt</b>	Cotton knit pullover with long sleeves worn during athletic activity.
<b><u>undo</u></b>	Cause to become loose. <i>The knot was difficult to <b>undo</b>.</i>
<b>unfasten</b>	Cause to become undone. <i>The dress <b>unfastened</b> easily.</i>
<b>unknot</b>	Become or cause to become undone by separating the fibers or threads of. <i>His shoulders <b>unknotted</b>.</i>
<b><u>unleash</u></b>	Release or vent. <i>They dig up badger setts and <b>unleash</b> terriers into them.</i>
<b>unravel</b>	(of twisted, knitted or woven threads) become undone. <i>They were attempting to <b>unravel</b> the cause of death.</i>
<b>untie</b>	Undo or unfasten (something that is tied or tied up). <i>She knelt to <b>untie</b> her laces.</i>
<b>unwrap</b>	Make known to the public information that was previously known only to a few people or that was meant to be kept a secret. <i>I began to <b>unwrap</b> my presents.</i>



