

Need another word that means the same as “lurch”? Find 31 synonyms and 30 related words for “lurch” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Lurch” are: prowl, pitch, shift, skunk, careen, keel, reel, stagger, swag, stumble, sway, roll, weave, totter, flounder, falter, wobble, slip, move clumsily, list, toss, veer, labour, heel, swerve, make heavy weather, pitching, lunge**

## Lurch as a Noun

### Definitions of "Lurch" as a noun

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

- *An abrupt uncontrolled movement, especially an unsteady tilt or roll.*
- *A decisive defeat in a game (especially in cribbage).*
- *An unsteady uneven gait.*
- *The act of moving forward suddenly.*
- *Abrupt up-and-down motion (as caused by a ship or other conveyance).*



## Synonyms of "Lurch" as a noun (5 Words)

- lunge** An exercise or gymnastic movement resembling the lunge of a fencer.  
*Lucy made a **lunge** for Gabriel s wrist.*
- pitch** The act of throwing a baseball by a pitcher to a batter.  
*The **pitching** and tossing was quite exciting.*
- pitching** A vendor's position (especially on the sidewalk).  
*The **pitching** and tossing was quite exciting.*
- stagger** An arrangement of things in a zigzag formation or so that they are not in line.  
*She walked with a **stagger**.*
- stumble** A stumbling walk.  
*He broke a bone in his foot in a **stumble** down an Alpine pass.*



## Usage Examples of "Lurch" as a noun

- *The boat gave a violent lurch and he missed his footing.*



## Lurch as a Verb

### Definitions of "Lurch" as a verb

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

- *Defeat by a lurch.*

- *Move abruptly.*
- *Walk as if unable to control one's movements.*
- *Move slowly and unsteadily.*
- *Make an abrupt, unsteady, uncontrolled movement or series of movements; stagger.*
- *Loiter about, with no apparent aim.*





## Synonyms of "Lurch" as a verb (26 Words)

<b>careen</b>	Move sideways or in an unsteady way. <i>An electric golf cart <b>careened</b> around the corner.</i>
<b>falter</b>	Move hesitatingly, as if about to give way. <i>Her smile <b>faltered</b> and then faded.</i>
<b><u>flounder</u></b>	Struggle mentally; show or feel great confusion. <i>Many firms are <b>floundering</b>.</i>
<b>heel</b>	Strike the ball with the heel of the club. <i><b>Heel</b> shoes.</i>
<b>keel</b>	(of a person or thing) fall over; collapse. <i>A wardrobe was about to <b>keel</b> over on top of him.</i>
<b>labour</b>	Of a woman in childbirth be in labour. <i>They <b>laboured</b> from dawn to dusk.</i>
<b>list</b>	Give or make a list of name individually give the names of. <i>The bottom of the line Mercedes <b>lists</b> for 52 050.</i>
<b>make heavy weather</b>	Organize or be responsible for.
<b>move clumsily</b>	Perform an action, or work out or perform (an action).
<b><u>pitch</u></b>	Hit the ball on to the green with a pitch shot. <i>The <b>pitcher</b> delivered the ball.</i>
<b>prowl</b>	Move about in or as if in a predatory manner. <i>Youngsters were <b>prowling</b> the streets in droves.</i>
<b>reel</b>	Dance a reel. <i>The Prime Minister was <b>reeling</b> from a savaging inflicted in the Commons.</i>
<b>roll</b>	Take the shape of a roll or cylinder. <i>The waves <b>rolled</b> towards the beach.</i>
<b><u>shift</u></b>	Use a shift key on a keyboard. <i>A team from the power company came to <b>shift</b> the cables away from the house.</i>
<b>skunk</b>	Fail to pay (a bill or creditor). <i>He made a practice of <b>skunking</b> hotels.</i>
<b>slip</b>	Move out of position. <i>I <b>slipped</b> over on the ice.</i>

<b>stagger</b>	Continue in existence or operation uncertainly or precariously. <i>She was <b>staggered</b> with bills after she tried to rebuild her house following the earthquake.</i>
<b>stumble</b>	Walk unsteadily. <i>I <b>stumbled</b> across a long lost cousin last night in a restaurant.</i>
<b>swag</b>	Arrange in or decorate with a swag or swags of fabric. <i>The stout chief sat <b>swagging</b> from one side to the other of the carriage.</i>
<b>sway</b>	Move or walk in a swinging or swaying manner. <i>He <b>swayed</b> slightly on his feet.</i>
<b>swerve</b>	Change or cause to change direction abruptly. <i>A lorry <b>swerved</b> across her path.</i>
<b>toss</b>	Throw or toss with a light motion. <i>The trees <b>tossed</b> in the wind.</i>
<b>totter</b>	Move without being stable, as if threatening to fall. <i>The drunk man <b>tottered</b> over to our table.</i>
<b>veer</b>	Change direction suddenly. <i>The wind <b>veered</b>.</i>
<b>weave</b>	Sway to and fro. <i>Some thick mohairs can be difficult to <b>weave</b>.</i>
<b>wobble</b>	Move sideways or in an unsteady way. <i>The old cart <b>wobbled</b> down the street.</i>

## Usage Examples of "Lurch" as a verb

- *The ship suddenly lurched to the left.*
- *Stuart lurched to his feet.*
- *The car lurched forward.*
- *The truck lurched down the road.*
- *He was lurching from one crisis to the next.*

## Associations of "Lurch" (30 Words)

<b>abruptly</b>	Quickly and without warning. <i>The forested terrain ascends <b>abruptly</b>.</i>
<b>bait</b>	Put bait on a hook or in a trap net or fishing area to entice fish or animals. <i>Herrings make excellent <b>bait</b> for pike.</i>



<b>changed</b>	Changed in constitution or structure or composition by metamorphism. <i>He s an altered or <b>changed</b> man since his election to Congress.</i>
<b>convolution</b>	A coil or twist. <i>Crosses adorned with elaborate <b>convolutions</b>.</i>
<b>falter</b>	Lose strength or momentum. <i>The music <b>faltered</b> stopped and started up again.</i>
<b>fast</b>	At high speed. <i>They remained <b>fast</b> friends.</i>
<b>gyrate</b>	Revolve quickly and repeatedly around one's own axis. <i>Strippers <b>gyrated</b> to rock music on a low stage.</i>
<b>gyroscope</b>	A device consisting of a wheel or disc mounted so that it can spin rapidly about an axis which is itself free to alter in direction The orientation of the axis is not affected by tilting of the mounting so gyroscopes can be used to provide stability or maintain a reference direction in navigation systems automatic pilots and stabilizers.
<b>hasty</b>	Excessively quick. <i><b>Hasty</b> decisions.</i>
<b>hooked</b>	Curved like a hook. <i>A girl who got <b>hooked</b> on cocaine.</i>
<b>hub</b>	The central part of a wheel, rotating on or with the axle, and from which the spokes radiate. <i>The playground is the <b>hub</b> of parental supervision.</i>
<b>jig</b>	Fish with a jig. <i>We were <b>jigging</b> about in our seats.</i>
<b>move</b>	Change location move travel or proceed also metaphorically. <i>Aircraft design had <b>moved</b> forward a long way.</i>
<b>quick</b>	At a fast rate quickly. <i>The <b>quick</b> and the dead.</i>
<b>reel</b>	Wind something on to a reel by turning the reel. <i>The alcohol made my head <b>reel</b>.</i>
<b>shakily</b>	In an insecurely shaky manner.
<b>smoothly</b>	In a smooth and diplomatic manner. <i>The bust is <b>smoothly</b> carved in white marble.</i>
<b>spasmodic</b>	Occurring in spells and often abruptly. <i>His body made a <b>spasmodic</b> jerk.</i>
<b>spin</b>	Fish with a spinner. <i>The campaign put a favorable <b>spin</b> on the story.</i>

<b>stagger</b>	Walk with great difficulty. <i>He <b>staggered</b> along in the heavy snow.</i>
<b>stumble</b>	Make an error. <i>A policeman had <b>stumbled</b> across a gang of youths.</i>
<b><u>stutter</u></b>	A tendency to stutter while speaking. <i>The country still has problems not least that its economy is <b>stuttering</b> and unemployment is high.</i>
<b>sudden</b>	Suddenly. <i>A <b>sudden</b> bright flash.</i>
<b>suddenly</b>	Quickly and without warning. <i>George II died <b>suddenly</b>.</i>
<b>swivel</b>	Turn around a point or axis or on a swivel. <i>He <b>swivelled</b> in the chair.</i>
<b>totter</b>	A feeble or unsteady gait. <i>A hunched figure was <b>tottering</b> down the path.</i>
<b><u>vibrate</u></b>	(of a sound) resonate; continue to be heard. <i>His voice <b>vibrated</b> with terror.</i>
<b>walk</b>	A person's manner of walking. <i>She reined her horse to a slow <b>walk</b>.</i>
<b>waver</b>	Be unsure or weak. <i>She never <b>wavered</b> from her intention.</i>
<b><u>whirl</u></b>	Revolve quickly and repeatedly around one's own axis. <i>I <b>whirled</b> her round the dance hall.</i>