

Need another word that means the same as “massage”? Find 23 synonyms and 30 related words for “massage” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Massage” are: rubbing, rub, palpation, manipulation, knead, rub down, palpate, manipulate, pummel, work, alter, tamper with, doctor, falsify, juggle, fiddle with, tinker with, distort, change, rig, interfere with, misrepresent**

## Massage as a Noun

### Definitions of "Massage" as a noun

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

- *The rubbing and kneading of muscles and joints of the body with the hands, especially to relieve tension or pain.*
- *Kneading and rubbing parts of the body to increase circulation and promote relaxation.*



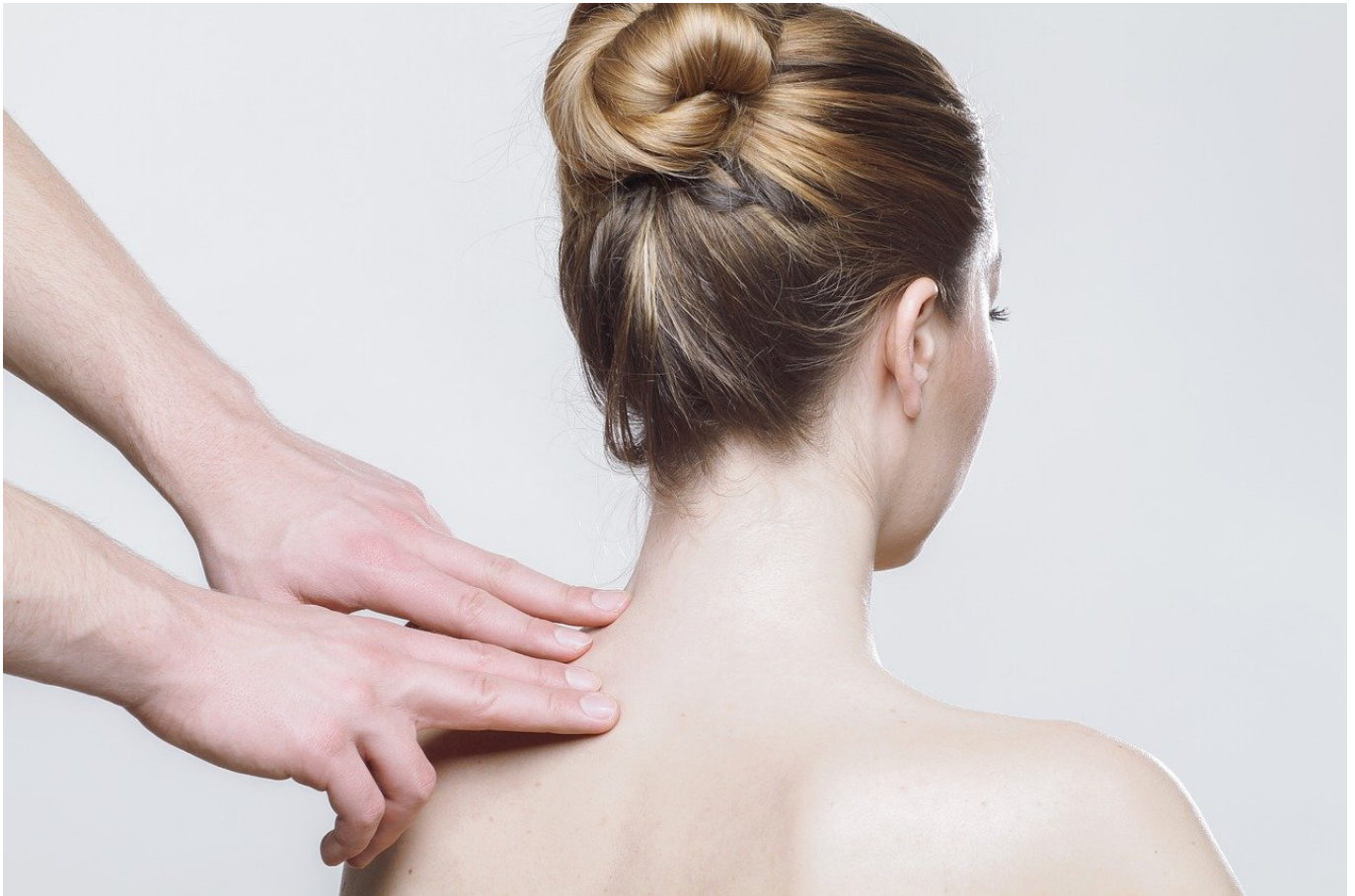
## Synonyms of "Massage" as a noun (4 Words)

**manipulation** Exerting shrewd or devious influence especially for one's own advantage.  
*He saw through her **manipulations**.*

**palpation** A method of examination in which the examiner feels the size or shape or firmness or location of something (of body parts when the examiner is a health professional).

**rub** The act of rubbing or wiping.  
*He gave the hood a quick **rub**.*

**rubbing** An impression of a design on brass or stone made by rubbing on paper laid over it with coloured wax pencil chalk etc.  
*Dab at the stain vigorous **rubbing** could damage the carpet.*



## Usage Examples of "Massage" as a noun

- *Massage can ease tiredness.*
- *A massage will help loosen you up.*



## Massage as a Verb

### Definitions of "Massage" as a verb

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

- *Rub and knead (a person or part of the body) with the hands.*
- *Manipulate (facts or figures) to give a more acceptable result.*
- *Rub a substance into (the skin or hair).*
- *Manually manipulate (someone's body), usually for medicinal or relaxation purposes.*
- *Give a massage to.*



## Synonyms of "Massage" as a verb (19 Words)

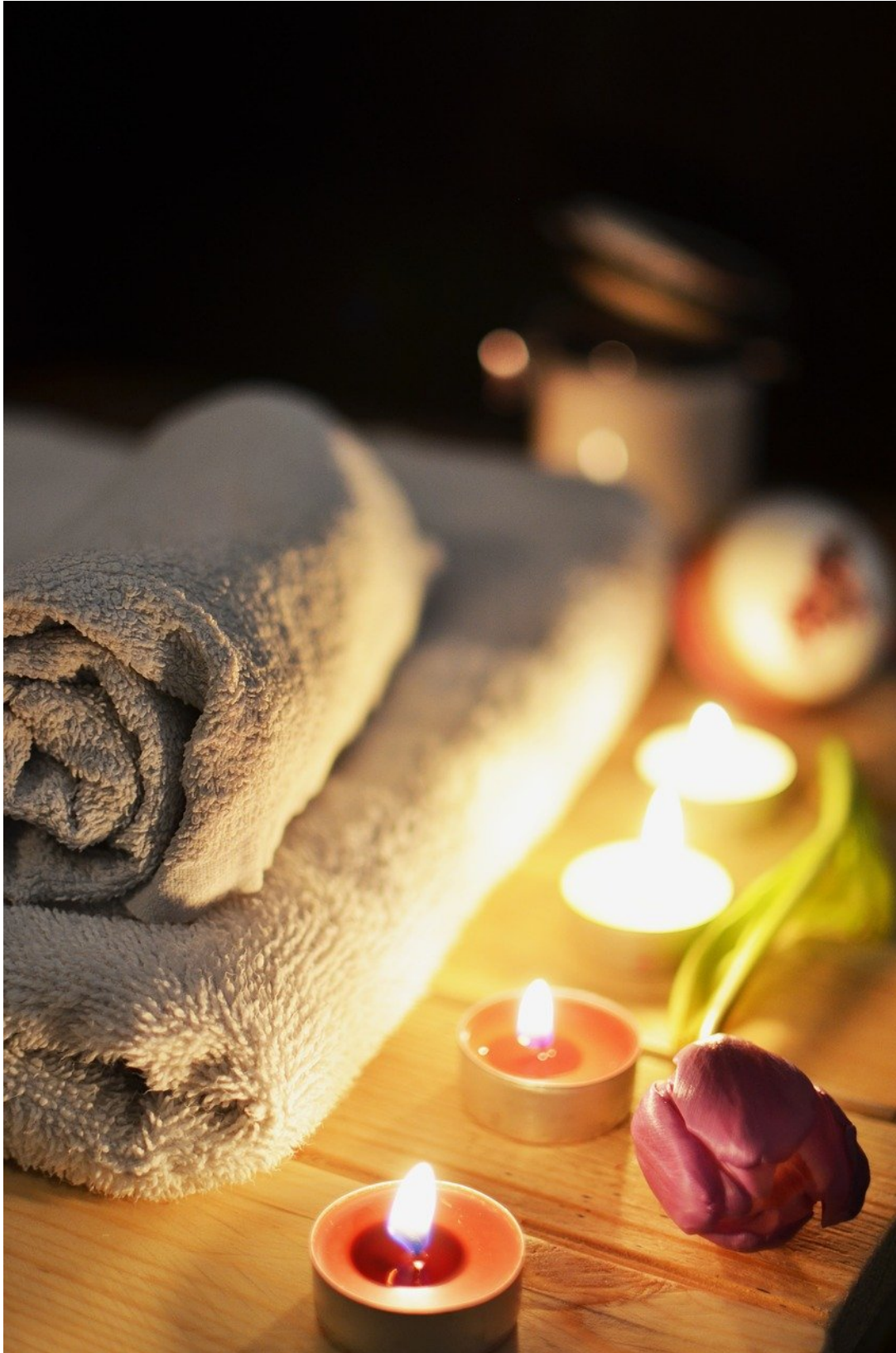
- alter** Make an alteration to.  
*The advent of the automobile may have **altered** the growth pattern of the city.*
- change** Change clothes put on different clothes.  
*He popped into a bank to **change** a ten pound note into one pound coins.*
- distort** Become twisted out of shape.  
*The pipe will **distort** as you bend it.*
- doctor** Give medical treatment to.  
*The reports could have been **doctored**.*
- falsify** Falsify knowingly.  
*Changes **falsify** individual expectations.*
- fiddle with** Play on a violin.
- interfere with** Come between so as to be hindrance or obstacle.

<b><u>juggle</u></b>	Cope with by adroitly balancing (several activities). <i>The player <b>juggled</b> the ball.</i>
<b>knead</b>	Make bread or pottery by kneading flour or clay. <i><b>Knead</b> dough.</i>
<b><u>manipulate</u></b>	Manipulate in a fraudulent manner. <i>The masses were deceived and <b>manipulated</b> by a tiny group.</i>
<b>misrepresent</b>	Tamper, with the purpose of deception. <i>This statement <b>misrepresents</b> my intentions.</i>
<b>palpate</b>	Examine (a part of the body) by touch, especially for medical purposes. <i>The nurse <b>palpated</b> the patient's stomach.</i>
<b>pummel</b>	Criticize severely. <i>The pedestrians <b>pummeled</b> the demonstrators.</i>
<b>rig</b>	Provide a sailing boat with sails and rigging. <i><b>Rig</b> a ship.</i>
<b><u>rub</u></b>	Scrape or rub as if to relieve itching. <i>Many insects make noises by <b>rubbing</b> parts of their bodies together.</i>
<b>rub down</b>	Move over something with pressure.
<b>tamper with</b>	Play around with or alter or falsify, usually secretly or dishonestly.
<b>tinker with</b>	Work as a tinker or tinkerer.
<b>work</b>	Cause to work. <i>I <b>worked</b> a few clubs and so forth.</i>



## Usage Examples of "Massage" as a verb

- *Gently massage the cream on to your face.*
- *She massaged his tired muscles.*
- *She massaged his sore back.*
- *The accounts had been massaged to suit the government.*





## Associations of "Massage" (30 Words)

<b>acupuncture</b>	Treatment of pain or disease by inserting the tips of needles at specific points on the skin.
<b>biofeedback</b>	A process whereby electronic monitoring of a normally automatic bodily function is used to train someone to acquire voluntary control of that function.
<b>chiroprapist</b>	A person who treats the feet and their ailments. <i>She decided to train as a <b>chiroprapist</b>.</i>
<b>counselor</b>	A lawyer who pleads cases in court.
<b>curative</b>	A curative medicine or agent. <i>The <b>curative</b> properties of herbs.</i>
<a href="#"><u>cure</u></a>	A medicine or therapy that cures disease or relieve pain. <i>He was beyond <b>cure</b>.</i>
<b>dialysis</b>	The clinical purification of blood by dialysis as a substitute for the normal function of the kidney.
<b>doctor</b>	Repair (a machine). <i>The reports could have been <b>doctored</b>.</i>
<b>dosage</b>	The quantity of an active agent (substance or radiation) taken in or absorbed at any one time. <i>A <b>dosage</b> of 450 milligrams a day.</i>
<a href="#"><u>healer</u></a>	A person or thing that mends or repairs something. <i>A spiritual <b>healer</b> and medium.</i>
<b>healing</b>	The process of making or becoming sound or healthy again. <i>The gift of <b>healing</b>.</i>
<b>herbal</b>	A book that describes herbs and their culinary and medicinal properties. <i><b>Herbal</b> remedies.</i>
<b>homeopathy</b>	A method of treating disease with small amounts of remedies that, in large amounts in healthy people, produce symptoms similar to those being treated.
<b>injection</b>	A thing that is injected. <i>The walls have been damp proofed by <b>injection</b>.</i>
<b>medicine</b>	Medicine something that treats or prevents or alleviates the symptoms of disease. <i>Fleur was murdering him by use of bad <b>medicine</b>.</i>
<b>nostrum</b>	Patent medicine whose efficacy is questionable. <i>During tough times populist <b>nostrums</b> gain favour.</i>

<b>orthopedic</b>	Of or relating to orthopedics. <b>Orthopedic shoes.</b>
<b>osteopath</b>	A therapist who manipulates the skeleton and muscles.
<b>pharmacopoeia</b>	A collection or stock of drugs.
<b>podiatrist</b>	A specialist in care for the feet. <i>If a toe has a discharge it is likely infected and needs to be treated by a <b>podiatrist</b>.</i>
<b>psychiatrist</b>	A medical practitioner specializing in the diagnosis and treatment of mental illness.
<b>relaxing</b>	Affording physical or mental rest. <i>A <b>relaxing</b> massage with aromatherapy oils.</i>
<b>remedial</b>	Giving or intended as a remedy or cure. <i>A <b>remedial</b> reading course.</i>
<b>remedy</b>	Set straight or right. <b>Remedy</b> these deficiencies.
<b>rub</b>	The act of rubbing or wiping. <i>She pulled out a towel and gave her head a quick <b>rub</b>.</i>
<b>therapeutic</b>	Administered or applied for reasons of health. <i>A <b>therapeutic</b> shampoo.</i>
<b>therapist</b>	A person who treats psychological problems a psychotherapist. <i>Cost is one factor keeping them from the <b>therapist</b> s couch.</i>
<b>therapy</b>	Treatment intended to relieve or heal a disorder. <i>Heat <b>therapy</b> gave the best relief.</i>
<b>treatment</b>	The manner in which someone behaves towards or deals with someone or something. <i>His <b>treatment</b> of the race question is badly biased.</i>
<b>veterinary</b>	A veterinary surgeon. <i>A <b>veterinary</b> nurse.</i>

