

Need another word that means the same as “mother”? Find 49 synonyms and 30 related words for “mother” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Mother” are: female parent, dam, originator, initiator, founder, founding mother, inventor, creator, maker, author, prime mover, instigator, architect, engineer, designer, deviser, planner, contriver, mastermind, beget, bring forth, engender, father, generate, get, sire, fuss, overprotect, bring up, care for, provide for, take care of, attend to, look after, rear, support, raise, foster, parent, tend, nurture, nurse, protect, cherish, give birth to, have, deliver, bear, produce**

## Mother as a Noun

### Definitions of "Mother" as a noun

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

- *A woman in relation to her child or children.*
- *(especially as a title or form of address) the head of a female religious community.*
- *(especially as a form of address) an elderly woman.*
- *A term of address for a mother superior.*
- *A condition that is the inspiration for an activity or situation.*
- *A stringy slimy substance consisting of yeast cells and bacteria; forms during fermentation and is added to cider or wine to produce vinegar.*
- *A woman who has given birth to a child (also used as a term of address to your mother).*

- A female animal in relation to its offspring.
- Denoting an institution or organization from which others of the same type derive.
- An important female figure in the origin and early history of something.
- A term of address for an elderly woman.



## Synonyms of "Mother" as a noun (19 Words)

### architect

A person who designs hardware, software, or networking applications and services of a specified type for a business or other organization.  
*John was indisputably the **architect** of his own misfortune.*

### author

The writings produced by a particular author.  
*The **authors** of the peace plan.*

### contriver

A person who makes plans.

### creator

A person or thing that brings something into existence.  
*Water the **creator** of climate and weather.*

<b>dam</b>	Female parent of an animal especially domestic livestock. <i>The <b>dam</b> was full of water.</i>
<b><u>designer</u></b>	A person who specializes in interior design. <i>A fashion <b>designer</b>.</i>
<b>deviser</b>	A gift of real property by will.
<b><u>engineer</u></b>	A person qualified in a branch of engineering especially as a professional. <i>The prime <b>engineer</b> of the approach.</i>
<b>female parent</b>	An animal that produces gametes (ova) that can be fertilized by male gametes (spermatozoa).
<b><u>founder</u></b>	A person who founds or establishes some institution. <i>An iron <b>founder</b>.</i>
<b>founding mother</b>	Food and lodging provided in addition to money.
<b>initiator</b>	A person or thing that initiates someone or something.
<b>instigator</b>	A person who initiates a course of action. <i>He was not the <b>instigator</b> of the incident.</i>
<b><u>inventor</u></b>	Someone who is the first to think of or make something.
<b>maker</b>	A person or thing that makes or produces something. <i><b>Makers</b> of rubber products.</i>
<b>mastermind</b>	Someone who creates new things. <i>McAvoy was the <b>mastermind</b> of the robbery.</i>
<b>originator</b>	Someone who creates new things. <i>Wegener was the <b>originator</b> of the theory of continental drift.</i>
<b>planner</b>	A list or chart with information that is an aid to planning. <i>My day <b>planner</b>.</i>
<b>prime mover</b>	A number that has no factor but itself and 1.



## Usage Examples of "Mother" as a noun

- *She will always be remembered as the mother of modern ecology.*
- *They are often referred to as the founding mothers of the Museum of Modern Art.*
- *Necessity is the mother of invention.*
- *She returned to Bristol to nurse her ageing mother.*
- *A mother of three.*
- *The mother of three children.*
- *A mother penguin.*
- *The initiatives were based on the experience of the mother company.*



## Mother as a Verb

### Definitions of "Mother" as a verb

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

- *Give birth to.*
- *Bring up (a child) with care and affection.*
- *Make (offspring) by reproduction.*
- *Look after (someone) kindly and protectively, sometimes excessively so.*
- *Make children.*
- *Care for like a mother.*



## Synonyms of "Mother" as a verb (30 Words)

- attend to** To accompany as a circumstance or follow as a result.  
(of a tree or plant) produce (fruit or flowers).
- bear** *The bees form large colonies and need the thick branches of tall trees to **bear** the weight of their nests.*
- beget** Cause; bring about.  
*Killings **beget** more killings.*
- bring forth** Go or come after and bring or take back.
- bring up** Take something or somebody with oneself somewhere.
- care for** Provide care for.
- cherish** Be fond of; be attached to.  
*He needed a woman he could **cherish**.*
- deliver** Bring to a destination make a delivery.  
*The company has **delivered** a body blow to this city.*

<b>engender</b>	Make (offspring) by reproduction. <i>The issue <b>engendered</b> continuing controversy.</i>
<b>father</b>	Treat with the protective care associated with a father. <i>A collection of Irish stories was <b>fathered</b> on him.</i>
<b>foster</b>	Bring up under fosterage of children. <i>The teacher s task is to <b>foster</b> learning.</i>
<b>fuss</b>	Worry unnecessarily or excessively. <i>Beside him Kegan was <b>fussing</b> with sheets of paper.</i>
<b>generate</b>	Make children. <i>The hydroelectric plant needs to <b>generate</b> more electricity.</i>
<b>get</b>	Take vengeance on or get even. <i>She didn t <b>get</b> the joke.</i>
<b>give birth to</b>	Cause to happen or be responsible for.
<b>have</b>	Have sex with archaic use. <i><b>Have</b> a lover.</i>
<b>look after</b>	Be oriented in a certain direction, often with respect to another reference point; be opposite to.
<b>nurse</b>	Serve as a nurse care for sick or handicapped people. <i>He <b>nursed</b> his injured back by lying in bed several hours every afternoon.</i>
<b>nurture</b>	Cherish (a hope, belief, or ambition). <i>My father <b>nurtured</b> my love of art.</i>
<b>overprotect</b>	Protect excessively. <i>The experience led his parents to <b>overprotect</b> his sisters.</i>
<b>parent</b>	Be or act as a parent to a child. <i>We are losing our intuitive ability to <b>parent</b>.</i>
<b>produce</b>	Cause (a particular result or situation) to happen or exist. <i>The garden where the artist <b>produced</b> many of his flower paintings.</i>
<b>protect</b>	Restrict access to or use of (data or a memory location). <i>The first federal legislation <b>protecting</b> bison was enacted in 1894.</i>
<b>provide for</b>	Determine (what is to happen in certain contingencies), especially by including a proviso condition or stipulation.
<b>raise</b>	Raise in rank or condition. <i>In late April Henry decided to <b>raise</b> the siege.</i>
<b>rear</b>	Rise up. <i>The horse <b>reared</b> in terror.</i>
<b>sire</b>	Make (offspring) by reproduction. <i>Castor twice <b>sired</b> two champions in a litter.</i>

- support** Support materially or financially.  
*The new versions do not **support** the graphical user interface standard.*
- take care of** Have sex with; archaic use.
- tend** Have a tendency or disposition to do or be something be inclined.  
*She **tends** to the children.*



### Usage Examples of "Mother" as a verb

- *She didn't know how to mother my brother and he was very sensitive.*
- *She's mothered two foals that have gone on to be impressive dressage competitors.*
- *He found a beautiful wife that mothered his children.*
- *She mothered her husband, insisting he should take cod liver oil in the winter.*





## Associations of "Mother" (30 Words)

- antenatal** Before birth; during or relating to pregnancy.  
***Antenatal** care.*
- aunt** The sister of your father or mother; the wife of your uncle.  
*She was brought up by her **aunt** and uncle.*
- beget** Cause; bring about.  
*They hoped that the King might **beget** an heir by his new queen.*
- brother** A title given to a monk and used as form of address.  
*He recognized her from her strong resemblance to her **brother**.*
- caregiver** A family member or paid helper who regularly looks after a child or a sick, elderly, or disabled person.
- cousin** A child of one's uncle or aunt.  
*Our American **cousins**.*

<b>daddy</b>	An informal term for a father; probably derived from baby talk. <i>It's you who's calling the shots now you're the <b>daddy</b>.</i>
<b>daughter</b>	A thing personified as a daughter in relation to its origin or source. <i>We are the sons and <b>daughters</b> of Adam.</i>
<b>family</b>	The children of a person or couple being discussed. <i>A <b>family</b> newspaper.</i>
<b>father</b>	A male parent also used as a term of address to your father. <i>They assumed that I was the <b>father</b> of the child.</i>
<b>grandfather</b>	The father of one's father or mother. <i>Smokers who worked here before the ban have been <b>grandfathered</b>.</i>
<b>grandparent</b>	A parent of one's father or mother; a grandmother or grandfather. <i>It must be a great blessing to have Chloe's <b>grandparents</b> living nearby.</i>
<b>maternal</b>	Relating to or characteristic of or befitting a parent. <i>A mother who radiated <b>maternal</b> concern.</i>
<b>maternity</b>	Motherhood. <i><b>Maternity</b> clothes.</i>
<b>mommy</b>	One's mother (chiefly as a child's term).
<b>nephew</b>	A son of your brother or sister.
<b>niece</b>	A daughter of one's brother or sister, or of one's brother-in-law or sister-in-law.
<b>offspring</b>	Something that comes into existence as a result. <i>Industrialism prepared the way for acceptance of the French Revolution's various socialistic <b>offspring</b>.</i>
<b>parent</b>	Be or act as a parent to a child. <i>Stems will root down creating a new crown near the <b>parent</b>.</i>
<b>parental</b>	Relating to or characteristic of or befitting a parent. <i><b>Parental</b> responsibility.</i>
<b>paternal</b>	Relating to or characteristic of or befitting a parent. <i>A <b>paternal</b> aunt.</i>
<b>paternity</b>	The kinship relation between an offspring and the father. <i>Tests were conducted to determine <b>paternity</b>.</i>
<b>pregnancy</b>	The condition or period of being pregnant. <i>A straightforward <b>pregnancy</b>.</i>
<b>progeny</b>	A descendant or the descendants of a person, animal, or plant; offspring. <i>Shorthorn cattle are highly effective in bestowing their characteristics on their <b>progeny</b>.</i>

**scion** A young shoot or twig of a plant, especially one cut for grafting or rooting.  
*A **scion** of royal stock.*

**sibling** A person's brother or sister.

**sister** (Roman Catholic Church) a title given to a nun (and used as a form of address).

*I had nine brothers and **sisters**.*

**sisterhood** The feeling of kinship with and closeness to a group of women or all women.  
*Canadian feminists acknowledge their **sisterhood** with women around the globe.*

**sterility** The quality or condition of being sterile.  
*The **sterility** of debate in the party.*

**uncle** An unrelated older male friend, especially of a child.  
*He visited his **uncle**.*

