

Need another word that means the same as “muse”? Find 14 synonyms and 30 related words for “muse” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Muse” are: inspiration, stimulus, stimulation, chew over, contemplate, excogitate, meditate, mull, mull over, ponder, reflect, ruminate, speculate, think over**

## Muse as a Noun

### Definitions of "Muse" as a noun

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

- *In ancient Greek mythology any of 9 daughters of Zeus and Mnemosyne; protector of an art or science.*
- *A person or personified force who is the source of inspiration for a creative artist.*
- *(in Greek and Roman mythology) each of nine goddesses, the daughters of Zeus and Mnemosyne, who preside over the arts and sciences.*
- *The source of an artist's inspiration.*



## Synonyms of "Muse" as a noun (3 Words)

- inspiration** A sudden brilliant or timely idea.  
*The Malvern Hills have provided **inspiration** for many artists.*
- stimulation** The effect of a stimulus (on nerves or organs etc).  
*The **stimulation** of a revolution in intelligence affairs.*
- stimulus** A thing that arouses activity or energy in someone or something; a spur or incentive.  
*She loved the **stimulus** of the job.*



## Usage Examples of "Muse" as a noun

- *Yeats' muse, Maud Gonne.*
- *Euterpe was his muse.*
- *The landscape was Gorky's primary muse.*





## Muse as a Verb

### Definitions of "Muse" as a verb

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

- *Reflect deeply on a subject.*



## Synonyms of "Muse" as a verb (11 Words)

**chew over** Chew (food); to bite and grind with the teeth.

**contemplate** Think deeply and at length.  
**Contemplate** *one's* navel.

**excogitate** Reflect deeply on a subject.  
*The scientist must stop to observe and start to **excogitate**.*

**meditate** Think intently and at length, as for spiritual purposes.  
*He went off to **meditate** on the new idea.*

**mull** Heat with sugar and spices to make a hot drink.  
*She began to **mull** over the various possibilities.*

**mull over** Heat with sugar and spices to make a hot drink.

**ponder** Think about (something) carefully, especially before making a decision or reaching a conclusion.  
*I **pondered** the question of what clothes to wear for the occasion.*

**reflect** Be bright by reflecting or casting light.  
*He could see himself **reflected** in Keith's mirrored glasses.*

**ruminant** (of a ruminant) chew the cud.  
*Cows **ruminant**.*

**speculate** Invest in stocks, property, or other ventures in the hope of gain but with the risk of loss.  
*He didn't look as though he had the money to **speculate** in shares.*

**think over** Recall knowledge from memory; have a recollection.





## Associations of "Muse" (30 Words)

<b>bethink</b>	Consider or ponder something carefully. <i>He bethought himself of the verse from the Book of Proverbs.</i>
<b>brood</b>	Think deeply about something that makes one unhappy, angry, or worried. <i>She was brought up as part of a <b>brood</b> of eight.</i>
<b>careful</b>	Unhurried and with care and dignity. <i><b>Careful</b> of the rights of others.</i>
<b>cautious</b>	People who are fearful and cautious. <i>Reserved and <b>cautious</b> never making swift decisions.</i>
<b>cogitate</b>	Consider carefully and deeply; reflect upon; turn over in one's mind. <i>He stroked his beard and retired to <b>cogitate</b>.</i>
<b>consider</b>	Take into consideration for exemplifying purposes. <i>Each application is <b>considered</b> on its merits.</i>
<b>considerate</b>	Showing careful thought. <i>Be <b>considerate</b> over your handwriting.</i>
<b>contemplate</b>	Have in view as a probable intention. <i><b>Contemplate</b> one's navel.</i>
<b>contemplative</b>	A person devoted to the contemplative life. <i>She regarded me with a <b>contemplative</b> eye.</i>
<b>deliberate</b>	Careful and unhurried. <i>A <b>deliberate</b> attempt to provoke a response.</i>
<b>designed</b>	Done or made or performed with purpose and intent. <i>Specially <b>designed</b> buildings.</i>
<b>intend</b>	Mean or intend to express or convey. <i>This benefit is <b>intended</b> for people incapable of work.</i>
<b>intentionality</b>	The quality of mental states (e.g. thoughts, beliefs, desires, hopes) which consists in their being directed towards some object or state of affairs.
<b>meditate</b>	Think deeply about (something). <i>He went off to <b>meditate</b> on the new idea.</i>
<b>meditative</b>	Deeply or seriously thoughtful. <i><b>Meditative</b> techniques.</i>
<b>mirror</b>	Reflect as if in a mirror. <i>He checked his appearance in the <b>mirror</b>.</i>
<b>mirrored</b>	Fitted with a mirror or mirrors. <i><b>Mirrored</b> sunglasses.</i>



<b>mull</b>	A term used in Scottish names of promontories. <i>Mulled cider.</i>
<b>pensive</b>	Showing pensive sadness. A <b>pensive</b> mood.
<b>ponder</b>	Think about (something) carefully, especially before making a decision or reaching a conclusion. <i>She sat <b>pondering</b> over her problem.</i>
<b>premeditated</b>	Characterized by deliberate purpose and some degree of planning. A <b>premeditated</b> crime.
<b>premeditation</b>	Planning or plotting in advance of acting. <i>The defendant said there was no planning or <b>premeditation</b>.</i>
<b>reconsider</b>	Consider (something) again, especially for a possible change of decision regarding it. <i>I beg you to <b>reconsider</b>.</i>
<b>reflect</b>	Reflect deeply on a subject. <i>Schools should <b>reflect</b> cultural differences.</i>
<b>reflective</b>	Deeply or seriously thoughtful. <i>A quiet <b>reflective</b> astute man.</i>
<b>ruminare</b>	Think deeply about something. <i>Cows <b>ruminare</b>.</i>
<b>speculate</b>	Invest at a risk. <i>My colleagues <b>speculate</b> about my private life.</i>
<b>think</b>	An instance of deliberate thinking. <i>She didn't <b>think</b> to harm me.</i>
<b>thoughtful</b>	Taking heed giving close and thoughtful attention. A <b>thoughtful</b> paper.
<b>thoughtfully</b>	With consideration for the needs of other people. <i>He stared <b>thoughtfully</b> into the fire.</i>

