

Need another word that means the same as “obfuscate”? Find 21 synonyms and 30 related words for “obfuscate” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Obfuscate” are: obscure, confuse, make obscure, make unclear, blur, muddle, jumble, complicate, garble, muddy, cloud, befog, bewilder, mystify, puzzle, perplex, baffle, confound, bemuse, befuddle, nonplus**

## Obfuscate as a Verb

### Definitions of "Obfuscate" as a verb

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

- *Bewilder (someone).*
- *Make obscure, unclear, or unintelligible.*
- *Make obscure or unclear.*

### Synonyms of "Obfuscate" as a verb (21 Words)

<b>baffle</b>	Check the emission of (sound). <i>An unexplained occurrence that <b>baffled</b> everyone.</i>
<b>befog</b>	Make less visible or unclear. <i>Her brain was <b>befogged</b> with lack of sleep.</i>
<b>befuddle</b>	Make stupid with alcohol. <i>The logic used to arrive at this conclusion <b>befuddles</b> me.</i>
<b>bemuse</b>	Puzzle, confuse, or bewilder (someone). <i>He was <b>bemused</b> by what was happening.</i>

<b><u>bewilder</u></b>	Be a mystery or bewildering to. <i>His reaction had <b>bewildered</b> her.</i>
<b><u>blur</u></b>	Make unclear indistinct or blurred. <i>In front of him the page <b>blurred</b>.</i>
<b><u>cloud</u></b>	Billow up in the form of a cloud. <i>Suspicion <b>clouded</b> her face.</i>
<b><u>complicate</u></b>	Make something more complicated. <i>Increased choice will <b>complicate</b> matters for the consumer.</i>
<b>confound</b>	Overthrow (an enemy). <i>He was forever <b>confounding</b> managerialism with idealism.</i>
<b>confuse</b>	Make (something) more complex or less easy to understand. <i>A lot of people <b>confuse</b> a stroke with a heart attack.</i>
<b>garble</b>	Reproduce (a message, sound, or transmission) in a confused and distorted way. <i>The connection was awful and kept garbling his voice.</i>
<b>jumble</b>	Be all mixed up or jumbled together. <i>She <b>jumbles</b> the words when she is supposed to write a sentence.</i>
<b>make obscure</b>	Give certain properties to something.
<b>make unclear</b>	Cause to do; cause to act in a specified manner.
<b>muddle</b>	Confuse (a person or their thoughts). <i><b>Muddle</b> the kiwi slices with the sugar.</i>
<b>muddy</b>	Cause to become muddy. <i><b>Muddy</b> the water.</i>
<b>mystify</b>	Make obscure or mysterious. <i>Lawyers who <b>mystify</b> the legal system so that laymen find it unintelligible.</i>
<b>nonplus</b>	Be a mystery or bewildering to. <i>Diane was <b>nonplussed</b> by such an odd question.</i>
<b><u>obscure</u></b>	Make obscure or unclear. <i>The debate has become <b>obscured</b> by conflicting ideological perspectives.</i>
<b>perplex</b>	Make (someone) feel completely baffled. <i>They were <b>perplexing</b> a subject plain in itself.</i>
<b><u>puzzle</u></b>	Cause (someone) to feel confused because they cannot understand something. <i>She was <b>puzzled</b> by the doctor's manner.</i>

## Usage Examples of "Obfuscate" as a verb

- *The new rule is more likely to obfuscate people than enlighten them.*
- *The spelling changes will deform some familiar words and obfuscate their etymological origins.*

## Associations of "Obfuscate" (30 Words)

<b>addle</b>	Make (someone) unable to think clearly; confuse. <i>Being in love must have <b>addled</b> your brain.</i>
<b>ambiguous</b>	Having more than one possible meaning. <i>An <b>ambiguous</b> situation with no frame of reference.</i>
<b>baffle</b>	Restrain or regulate (a fluid, sound, etc). <i>To <b>baffle</b> the noise further I pad the gunwales.</i>
<b>befuddle</b>	Make stupid with alcohol. <i>The logic used to arrive at this conclusion <b>befuddles</b> me.</i>
<b><u>bewilder</u></b>	Be a mystery or bewildering to. <i>She was <b>bewildered</b> by his sudden change of mood.</i>
<b>blurred</b>	Unclear in form or expression. <i>The camera caught only two <b>blurred</b> images.</i>
<b>confound</b>	Prove (a theory or expectation) wrong. <i>The rise in prices <b>confounded</b> expectations.</i>
<b>confuse</b>	Identify wrongly; mistake. <i>These questions <b>confuse</b> even the experts.</i>
<b>confused</b>	Mentally confused unable to think with clarity or act intelligently. <i>A <b>confused</b> dream about the end of the world.</i>
<b>darken</b>	Make dark or darker. <i><b>Darken</b> a room.</i>
<b><u>dim</u></b>	Make dim or lusterless. <i><b>Dimmed</b> headlights.</i>
<b>discomfit</b>	Make (someone) feel uneasy or embarrassed. <i>He was not noticeably <b>discomfited</b> by her tone.</i>
<b>disconcert</b>	Disturb the composure of; unsettle. <i>The abrupt change of subject <b>disconcerted</b> her.</i>
<b>disorder</b>	Bring disorder to. <i>She <b>disordered</b> the house to suggest that the killer had been a burglar.</i>

<b>disorient</b>	Cause someone to lose their sense of direction disorientate. <i>I was <b>disoriented</b> by the dark.</i>
<b>embarrass</b>	Cause to be embarrassed cause to feel self conscious. <i>The state of the rivers will <b>embarrass</b> the enemy.</i>
<b>flurry</b>	A rapid active commotion. <i>A <b>flurry</b> of editorials hostile to the government.</i>
<b><u>incoherent</u></b>	(of a person) unable to speak intelligibly. <i>He screamed some <b>incoherent</b> threat.</i>
<b>indeterminate</b>	(of a condition) from which a diagnosis of the underlying cause cannot be made. <i>The carpet is an <b>indeterminate</b> dull shade.</i>
<b>jumble</b>	Be all mixed up or jumbled together. <i>His words <b>jumbled</b>.</i>
<b>murkiness</b>	An atmosphere in which visibility is reduced because of a cloud of some substance.
<b>mystify</b>	Be a mystery or bewildering to. <i>Lawyers who <b>mystify</b> the legal system so that laymen find it unintelligible.</i>
<b><u>overshadow</u></b>	Be greater in significance than. <i>He was always <b>overshadowed</b> by his brilliant elder brother.</i>
<b>perplex</b>	Complicate or confuse (a matter). <i>She was <b>perplexed</b> by her husband s moodiness.</i>
<b>perplexing</b>	Lacking clarity of meaning; causing confusion or perplexity. <i>A <b>perplexing</b> problem.</i>
<b><u>puzzling</u></b>	Causing one to be puzzled; perplexing. <i>Only one very <b>puzzling</b> question remains unanswered.</i>
<b>questioning</b>	Marked by or given to doubt. <i>Aaron shot her a <b>questioning</b> glance.</i>
<b>stupefy</b>	Make dull or stupid or muddle with drunkenness or infatuation. <i>The offence of administering drugs to a woman with intent to <b>stupefy</b> her.</i>
<b><u>uncertain</u></b>	Not established beyond doubt; still undecided or unknown. <i>A gun with a rather <b>uncertain</b> trigger.</i>
<b><u>unclear</u></b>	Not easily deciphered. <i>The law itself was <b>unclear</b> on that point.</i>