

Need another word that means the same as “overshadow”? Find 44 synonyms and 30 related words for “overshadow” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Overshadow” are: dominate, eclipse, dwarf, shadow, shade, darken, conceal, obscure, block out, obliterate, screen, shroud, veil, mantle, cloak, mask, cast gloom over, blight, take the pleasure out of, bring a note of sadness to, take the edge off, mar, spoil, ruin, outshine, put in the shade, surpass, exceed, excel, be superior to, outclass, outstrip, outdo, top, cap, trump, transcend, tower above, tower over, upstage, shame, put to shame, outdistance, lead

Overshadow as a Verb

Definitions of "Overshadow" as a verb

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

- *Appear more prominent or important than.*
- *Make appear small by comparison.*
- *Cast a shadow upon.*
- *Be more impressive or successful than (another person).*
- *Tower above and cast a shadow over.*
- *Be greater in significance than.*
- *Cast gloom over.*



Synonyms of "Overshadow" as a verb (44 Words)

be superior to

Have an existence, be extant.

blight

Cause to suffer a blight.

*The problems are most acutely felt in areas **blighted** by poverty.*

block out

Support, secure, or raise with a block.

**bring a note of
sadness to**

Attract the attention of.

cap

Place a limit or restriction on (prices, expenditure, or borrowing).

*He was **capped** ten times by England.*

cast gloom over

Deposit.

cloak

Dress in a cloak.

Cloaked monks.

conceal

Not allow to be seen; hide.

*She **conceals** her anger well.*

darken	Make dark or darker. <i>Misery darkened her gaze.</i>
dominate	Have a commanding position over; overlook. <i>Hispanics predominate in this neighborhood.</i>
dwarf	Stunt the growth or development of. <i>This year's debt dwarfs that of last year.</i>
eclipse	Cause an eclipse of a celestial body by intervention. <i>The Sun eclipses the moon today.</i>
exceed	Go beyond what is allowed or stipulated by (a set limit). <i>This exceeds all my expectations.</i>
excel	Perform exceptionally well. <i>The keeper excelled himself to keep out an Elliott header.</i>
lead	Lead extend or afford access. <i>They are waiting for an expansion of world trade to lead a recovery.</i>
mantle	Spread over a surface like a mantle. <i>A warm pink mounted to the girl's cheeks and mantled her brow.</i>
mar	Make imperfect. <i>Nothing marred her beauty.</i>
mask	Cover the face with a mask. <i>He masked his disappointment.</i>
obliterate	Remove completely from recognition or memory. <i>The memory was so painful that he obliterated it from his mind.</i>
obscure	Make obscure or unclear. <i>The stars are obscured by the clouds.</i>
outclass	Be far superior to. <i>The Yankees outclassed Cincinnati.</i>
outdistance	Leave (a competitor or pursuer) far behind. <i>She could maintain a fast enough pace to outdistance any pursuers.</i>
outdo	Be superior to in action or performance. <i>The men tried to outdo each other in their generosity.</i>
outshine	Be much better than (someone) in a particular area. <i>A supernova would outshine all the other stars in its galaxy.</i>
outstrip	Move faster than and overtake (someone else). <i>Supply far outstripped demand.</i>
put in the shade	Make an investment.

put to shame	Put into a certain place or abstract location.
ruin	Reduce to ruins. <i>The castle was ruined when dynamite was used to demolish one of the corner towers.</i>
screen	Separate something from something else with or as if with a screen. <i>Her hair swung across to screen her face.</i>
shade	Represent the effect of shade or shadow on. <i>The Welsh side shaded a tight tough first half.</i>
shadow	Cast a shadow over. <i>A hood shadowed her face.</i>
shame	Cause to be ashamed. <i>I tried to shame him into giving some away.</i>
shroud	Wrap in a shroud. <i>Shroud the corpses.</i>
spoil	Treat with excessive indulgence. <i>She was afraid of spoiling Christmas for the rest of the family.</i>
surpass	Exceed; be greater than. <i>Her performance surpasses that of any other student I know.</i>
take the edge off	Interpret something in a certain way; convey a particular meaning or impression.
take the pleasure out of	Accept or undergo, often unwillingly.
top	Reach or ascend the top of. <i>Toast topped with baked beans.</i>
tower above	Appear very large or occupy a commanding position.
tower over	Appear very large or occupy a commanding position.
transcend	Surpass (a person or achievement). <i>This was an issue transcending party politics.</i>
trump	Produce a sound as if from a trumpet. <i>Declarer trumped the last losing spade in dummy.</i>
upstage	Move upstage forcing the other actors to turn away from the audience. <i>When he tried to upstage her she sauntered down to the front of the stage.</i>
veil	To obscure or conceal with or as if with a veil. <i>Women in Afghanistan veil their faces.</i>



Usage Examples of "Overshadow" as a verb

- *His competitive nature often overshadows the other qualities.*
- *It is easy to let this feeling of tragedy overshadow his story.*
- *The tall tree overshadowed the house.*
- *The tragedy overshadowed the couple's happiness.*
- *An enormous oak tree stood overshadowing the cottage.*
- *He was always overshadowed by his brilliant elder brother.*



Associations of "Overshadow" (30 Words)

- comet** A relatively small extraterrestrial body consisting of a frozen mass that travels around the sun in a highly elliptical orbit.
- cosmic** Of or from or pertaining to or characteristic of the cosmos or universe.
*The song is a masterpiece of **cosmic** proportions.*
- crescent** A moth or butterfly with crescent shaped markings on the wings.
*A **crescent** moon.*
- darken** Make or become dark or darker.
*His mood **darkened**.*
- daylight** Light during the daytime.
*I returned at **daylight**.*
- daytime** The time after sunrise and before sunset while it is light outside.
*It is easier to make the repairs in the **daytime**.*

dim	Made dim or less bright. <i>A smoky inferno that dimmed the sun.</i>
eclipse	Cause an eclipse of a celestial body by intervention. <i>Jupiter was eclipsed by the Moon.</i>
lunar	Of or relating to or associated with the moon. <i>A lunar eclipse.</i>
meteorite	A piece of rock or metal that has fallen to the earth's surface from outer space as a meteor. Over 90 per cent of meteorites are of rock while the remainder consist wholly or partly of iron and nickel.
moon	The period between successive new moons 29 531 days. <i>That wonderful night four moons ago.</i>
nebula	A cloud of gas and dust in outer space, visible in the night sky either as an indistinct bright patch or as a dark silhouette against other luminous matter.
neptune	A giant planet with a ring of ice particles; the 8th planet from the sun is the most remote of the gas giants.
noon	Twelve o'clock in the day; midday. <i>The service starts at twelve noon.</i>
obfuscate	Make obscure, unclear, or unintelligible. <i>The new rule is more likely to obfuscate people than enlighten them.</i>
outshine	Be much better than (someone) in a particular area. <i>What star outshines the sun.</i>
planetary	Having no fixed course. <i>Neither national nor continental but planetary.</i>
pluto	The god of the underworld in ancient mythology; brother of Zeus and husband of Persephone.
shade	A lampshade. <i>The shades of evening drew on.</i>
shadow	Envelop in shadow cast a shadow over. <i>No matter where Johnson went his shadow stayed with him.</i>
shadowy	Insubstantial; unreal. <i>We sat on rocks in a shadowy cove.</i>
shine	Make a surface shine. <i>Tonight he will have a chance to shine and win a world boxing title.</i>
sky	Throw or toss with a light motion. <i>Dorcas had never seen so much sky.</i>
solar	Relating to or derived from the sun or utilizing the energies of the sun. <i>Solar heating.</i>

- solstice** The time or date (twice each year) at which the sun reaches its maximum or minimum declination, marked by the longest and shortest days (about 21 June and 22 December).
- star** Mark something for special notice or recommendation with an asterisk or other star shaped symbol.
*The captain has a **star** against his name.*
- stellar** Featuring or having the quality of a star performer or performers.
*A **stellar** cast had been assembled.*
- sun** Any star in the universe that is similar to the sun with or without planets.
*Buzz could see Clare **sunning** herself on the terrace below.*
- tan** Bark of oak or other trees bruised and used as a source of tannin for converting hides into leather.
*Jenna managed to get an even golden **tan**.*
- uranus** God of the heavens; son and husband of Gaea and father of the Titans in ancient mythology.