

Need another word that means the same as “parallel”? Find 59 synonyms and 30 related words for “parallel” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Parallel” are: side by side, aligned, collateral, equidistant, similar, analogous, comparable, corresponding, like, much the same, of a kind, akin, related, kindred, equivalent, correspondent, homologous, analogical, cognate, coequal, matching, duplicate, coexisting, coexistent, concurrent, analog, analogue, latitude, line of latitude, parallel of latitude, counterpart, likeness, match, twin, equal, mirror, similarity, resemblance, analogy, correspondence, equivalence, correlation, grid line, collimate, resemble, be similar to, be like, bear a resemblance to, rival, emulate, touch

Parallel as a Noun

Definitions of "Parallel" as a noun

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

- *A person or thing that is similar or analogous to another.*
- *(mathematics) one of a set of parallel geometric figures (parallel lines or planes).*

- An imaginary line around the Earth parallel to the equator.
- Something having the property of being analogous to something else.
- Each of the imaginary parallel circles of constant latitude on the earth's surface.
- A similarity or comparison.
- Two parallel lines (||) as a reference mark.
- One of a set of parallel geometric figures (parallel lines or planes).



Synonyms of "Parallel" as a noun (22 Words)

analog

Something having the property of being analogous to something else.

analogue

A person or thing seen as comparable to another.

*An interior **analogue** of the exterior world.*

analogy

The religious belief that between creature and creator no similarity can be found so great but that the dissimilarity is always greater any analogy between God and humans will always be inadequate.

*Works of art were seen as an **analogy** for works of nature.*

coequal

A person or thing equal with another.

correlation	A statistic representing how closely two variables co vary it can vary from 1 perfect negative correlation through 0 no correlation to 1 perfect positive correlation. <i>The increasingly similar basis underlying national soil maps allows correlation to take place more easily.</i>
correspondence	Similarity by virtue of corresponding. <i>The organization engaged in detailed correspondence with local MPs.</i>
correspondent	A journalist employed to provide news stories for newspapers or broadcast media. <i>She wasn't much of a correspondent.</i>
counterpart	A duplicate copy. <i>The minister held talks with his French counterpart.</i>
duplicate	One of two or more identical things. <i>Locksmiths can make duplicates of most keys.</i>
equal	A person who is of equal standing with another in a group. <i>Entertainment facilities without equal in the British Isles.</i>
equivalence	Qualities that are comparable. <i>Precise equivalences between qualifications across Europe.</i>
equivalent	The mass of a particular substance that can combine with or displace one gram of hydrogen or eight grams of oxygen, used in expressing combining powers, especially of elements. <i>Send two dollars or the equivalent in stamps.</i>
grid line	A perforated or corrugated metal plate used in a storage battery as a conductor and support for the active material.
latitude	An imaginary line around the Earth parallel to the equator. <i>Temperate latitudes.</i>
likeness	Similarity in appearance or character or nature between persons or things. <i>Her likeness to him was astonishing.</i>
line of latitude	A particular kind of product or merchandise.
match	The score needed to win a match. <i>That tie makes a good match with your jacket.</i>
mirror	A faithful depiction or reflection. <i>The company now has a mirror site in Taiwan.</i>
parallel of latitude	An imaginary line around the Earth parallel to the equator.
resemblance	Similarity in appearance or external or superficial details. <i>The physical resemblances between humans and apes.</i>

similarity

The quality of being similar.

The **similarity** of symptoms makes them hard to diagnose.

twin

A twinned crystal.

There was a bruise on his cheek a **twin** to the one on mine.



Usage Examples of "Parallel" as a noun

- *A challenge which has no parallel in peacetime this century.*
- *She draws a parallel between personal destiny and social forces.*
- *Parallels never meet.*



Parallel as a Verb

Definitions of "Parallel" as a verb

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

- *Be similar or corresponding to.*
- *Duplicate or match.*
- *Make or place parallel to something.*
- *Be parallel to.*
- *Be side by side with (something extending in a line), always keeping the same distance; run or lie parallel to.*



Synonyms of "Parallel" as a verb (12 Words)

be like	Represent, as of a character on stage.
be similar to	Happen, occur, take place.
bear a resemblance to	Put up with something or somebody unpleasant.
collimate	Accurately set the alignment of (an optical or other system). <i>The caesium atoms are collimated into a narrow beam.</i>
<u>duplicate</u>	Duplicate or match. <i>Most of these proposals duplicate work already done.</i>
<u>emulate</u>	Imitate. <i>This artist s drawings cannot emulate his water colors.</i>
equal	Make equal uniform corresponding or matching. <i>The total debits should equal the total credits.</i>
match	Make equal uniform corresponding or matching. <i>His anger matched her own.</i>

resemble

Appear like; be similar or bear a likeness to.
*Some people **resemble** their dogs.*

rival

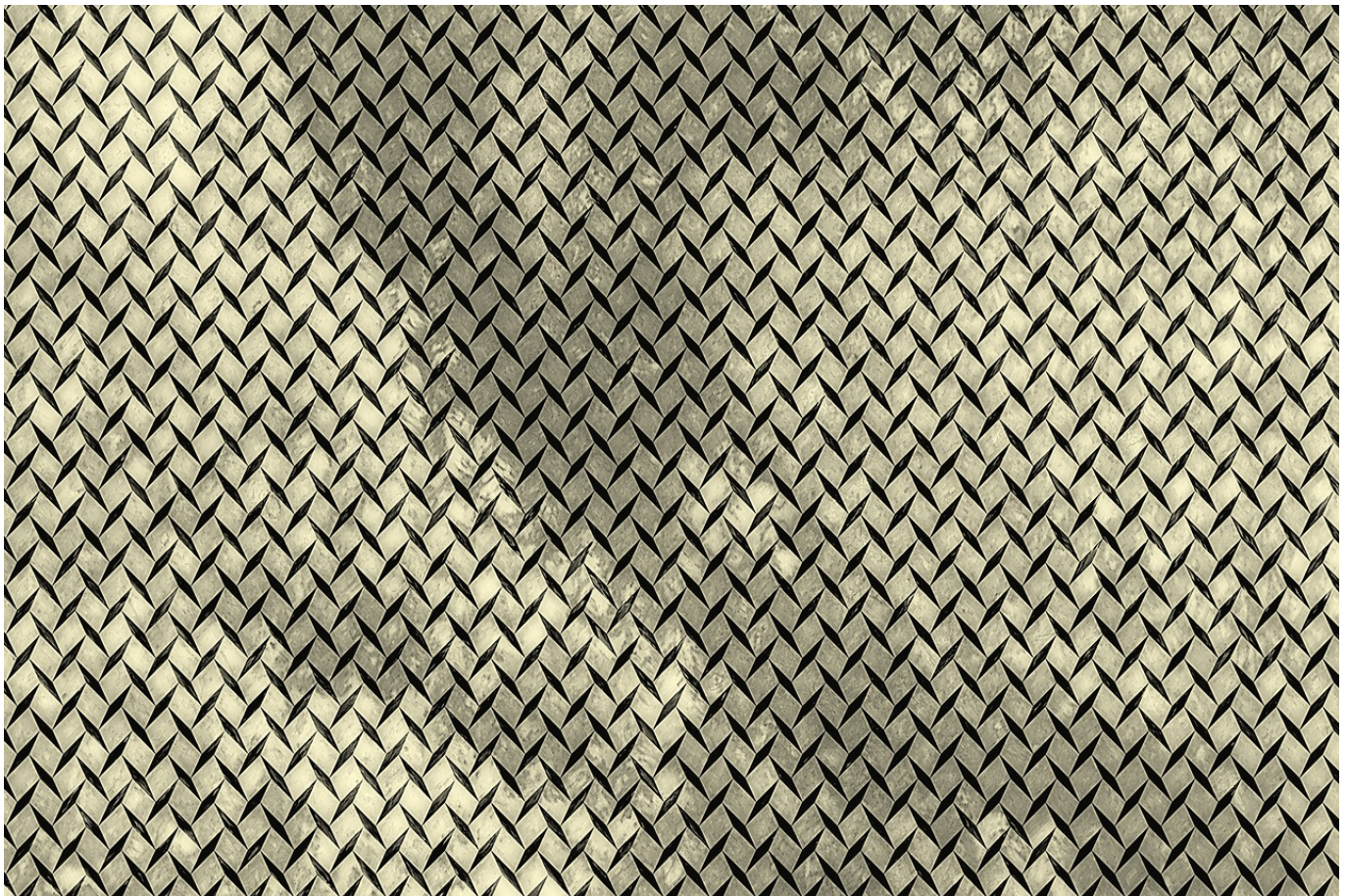
Be the rival of be in competition with.
*Nothing can **rival** cotton for durability.*

touch

Consume or use (food, drink, money, etc).
*Don't **touch** my CDs.*

twin

Grow as twins.
***Twin** crystals.*



Usage Examples of "Parallel" as a verb

- *Their roles are paralleled by ours.*
- *The increase in the quality of wines has paralleled the rise of interest in food.*
- *They paralleled the ditch to the highway.*
- *A big concrete gutter that paralleled the road.*



Parallel as an Adjective

Definitions of "Parallel" as an adjective

According to the [Oxford Dictionary of English](#), "parallel" as an adjective can have the following definitions:

- *(of lines, planes, or surfaces) side by side and having the same distance continuously between them.*
- *Of or denoting electrical components or circuits connected to common points at each end, rather than one to another in sequence.*
- *Of or relating to the simultaneous performance of multiple operations.*
- *Occurring or existing at the same time or in a similar way; corresponding.*
- *Being everywhere equidistant and not intersecting.*
- *Involving the simultaneous performance of operations.*



Synonyms of "Parallel" as an adjective (25 Words)

<u>akin</u>	Related by blood. <i>Genius and madness are akin.</i>
aligned	Brought into agreement or cooperation on the side of a faction, party, or cause. <i>Pearly teeth evenly aligned.</i>
analogical	Expressing, composed of, or based on an analogy. <i>The analogical use of a metaphor.</i>
<u>analogous</u>	Comparable in certain respects, typically in a way which makes clearer the nature of the things compared. <i>They saw the relationship between a ruler and his subjects as analogous to that of father and children.</i>
coequal	Having the same standing before the law. <i>Coequal partners.</i>
coexistent	Existing at the same time. <i>Patients with coexistent hypertension and diabetes.</i>
coexisting	Existing at the same time.
cognate	Related; connected. <i>The term is obviously cognate with the Malay segan.</i>
<u>collateral</u>	Serving to support or corroborate. <i>Collateral casualties.</i>
<u>comparable</u>	Conforming in every respect. <i>The situation in Holland is comparable to that in England.</i>
concurrent	Agreeing or consistent. <i>There are three concurrent art fairs around the city.</i>
correspondent	Similar or equivalent in some respects though otherwise dissimilar.
corresponding	Accompanying. <i>A number of corresponding diagonal points.</i>
<u>duplicate</u>	Identically copied from an original. <i>A duplicate set of keys.</i>
equidistant	The same distance apart at every point. <i>The line joins together all points which are equidistant from the two axes.</i>
equivalent	Belonging to the same equivalence class. <i>One unit is equivalent to one glass of wine.</i>

homologous	Having the same relation, relative position, or structure. <i>The wing of a bat and the arm of a man are homologous.</i>
kindred	Related by blood or marriage. <i>Kindred clans.</i>
like	Having the same or similar characteristics. <i>I responded in like manner.</i>
matching	Being two identical. <i>A blue jacket and matching skirt.</i>
much the same	Great in quantity or degree or extent.
of a kind	Tolerant and forgiving under provocation.
related	Belonging to the same family, group, or type; connected. <i>Related to micelle formation is the ability of detergent actives to congregate at oil water interfaces.</i>
side by side	Located on a side.
similar	Having the same or similar characteristics. <i>A soft cheese similar to Brie.</i>



Usage Examples of "Parallel" as an adjective

- *Parallel lines never converge.*
- *Parallel processing.*
- *Concentric circles are parallel.*
- *Parallel lines never meet.*
- *Dancers in two parallel rows.*
- *The road runs parallel to the Ottawa River.*
- *A parallel universe.*
- *They shared a flat in London while establishing parallel careers.*
- *Highly parallel multiprocessor systems.*



Associations of "Parallel" (30 Words)

<u>alignment</u>	The act of adjusting or aligning the parts of a device in relation to each other. <i>The tiles had slipped out of alignment.</i>
<u>analogous</u>	(of organs) performing a similar function but having a different evolutionary origin, such as the wings of insects and birds. <i>Brains and computers are often considered analogous.</i>
antithetic	Sharply contrasted in character or purpose. <i>Practices entirely antithetical to her professed beliefs.</i>
apposition	The act of positioning close together (or side by side). <i>Rudolph the red nosed reindeer is an example of apposition.</i>
axis	An imaginary line which divides something into equal or roughly equal halves, especially in the direction of its greatest length. <i>The Earth revolves on its axis once every 24 hours.</i>
balanced	Being in a state of proper equilibrium. <i>The carefully balanced seesaw.</i>
<u>commensurate</u>	Corresponding in size or degree; in proportion. <i>Such heavy responsibility must receive commensurate reward.</i>
<u>comparable</u>	Able to be compared or worthy of comparison. <i>Nobody is comparable with this athlete.</i>
compare	Have a specified relationship with another thing or person in terms of nature or quality. <i>Her novel was compared to the work of Daniel Defoe.</i>
competitor	An organization or country engaged in commercial or economic competition with others. <i>Our main industrial competitors.</i>
<u>complement</u>	Make complete or perfect supply what is wanting or form the complement to. <i>A fine wine is a perfect complement to the dinner.</i>
<u>counterpart</u>	A person or thing that corresponds to or has the same function as another person or thing in a different place or situation. <i>The minister held talks with his French counterpart.</i>
delineation	A drawing of the outlines of forms or objects. <i>The artist s exquisite delineation of costume and jewellery.</i>
equal	A person who is of equal standing with another in a group. <i>The players proved equal to the task.</i>
equivalent	A person or thing equal to another in value or measure or force or effect or significance etc. <i>Send two dollars or the equivalent in stamps.</i>

<u>evenly</u>	With equal space or time between each; regularly. <i>An evenly contested game.</i>
fair	Without favoring one party in a fair evenhanded manner. <i>A pretty girl with long fair hair.</i>
<u>interchangeable</u>	Apparently identical; very similar. <i>Anonymous DJs and interchangeable disco divas.</i>
<u>intersection</u>	The act of intersecting (as joining by causing your path to intersect your target's path). <i>A red light at the intersection with Brompton Road.</i>
<u>juxtaposition</u>	The act of positioning close together (or side by side). <i>It is the result of the juxtaposition of contrasting colors.</i>
latitude	Regions, especially with reference to their temperature and distance from the equator. <i>Allowed his children considerable latitude in how they spent their money.</i>
liken	Point out the resemblance of someone or something to. <i>Racism is likened to a contagious disease.</i>
longitudinal	Running lengthwise. <i>Longitudinal measurements of the hull.</i>
obliquity	The presentation during labor of the head of the fetus at an abnormal angle.
obverse	Of or denoting the obverse of a coin or medal. <i>The obverse fates of the principals.</i>
proportionate	Agreeing in amount, magnitude, or degree. <i>Proportionate representation of a minority group.</i>
rival	Be the rival of be in competition with. <i>She has no rivals as a female rock singer.</i>
similar	A person or thing similar to another. <i>The principle of treatment by similars.</i>
symmetrical	Having similarity in size, shape, and relative position of corresponding parts. <i>The shape of a hill smooth and symmetrical.</i>
<u>tantamount</u>	Being essentially equal to something. <i>The resignations were tantamount to an admission of guilt.</i>

