

Need another word that means the same as “phantom”? Find 19 synonyms and 30 related words for “phantom” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Phantom” are: apparition, fantasm, phantasm, phantasma, shadow, specter, spectre, ghost, spirit, wraith, figment of the imagination, delusion, hallucination, illusion, chimera, vision, fantasy, mirage, intangible

Phantom as a Noun

Definitions of "Phantom" as a noun

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

- *Not real; illusory.*
- *Denoting a financial arrangement or transaction which has been invented for fraudulent purposes.*
- *Something existing in perception only.*
- *A figment of the imagination.*
- *A ghostly appearing figure.*
- *A ghost.*



Synonyms of "Phantom" as a noun (19 Words)

apparition

A ghost or ghostlike image of a person.

*We were unprepared for the **apparition** that confronted us.*

chimera

A cartilaginous marine fish with a long tail, an erect spine before the first dorsal fin, and typically a forward projection from the snout.

*The sheeplike goat **chimera**.*

delusion

(psychology) an erroneous belief that is held in the face of evidence to the contrary.

*He has **delusions** of competence.*

fantasm

A ghostly appearing figure.

fantasy

A genre of imaginative fiction involving magic and adventure, especially in a setting other than the real world.

*The notion of being independent is a child's ultimate **fantasy**.*

figment of the imagination

A contrived or fantastic idea.

ghost

A suggestion of some quality.

*A **ghost** ship.*

hallucination

Illusory perception; a common symptom of severe mental disorder.
*He refused to believe that the angel was a **hallucination**.*

illusion

Something many people believe that is false.
*The **illusion** of family togetherness.*

intangible

An intangible thing.
***Intangibles** like self confidence and responsibility.*

mirage

An optical illusion in which atmospheric refraction by a layer of hot air distorts or inverts reflections of distant objects.
*The surface of the road ahead rippled in the heat **mirages**.*

phantasm

An illusion, apparition, or ghost.
*Every **phantasm** of a hope was quickly nullified.*

phantasma

Something existing in perception only.

shadow

A dark patch or area on a surface.
*He lived in the **shadow** of his father.*

specter

A mental representation of some haunting experience.
*It aroused **specters** from his past.*

spectre

Something widely feared as a possible unpleasant or dangerous occurrence.
*A dread of **spectres** and witches affected every aspect of daily life.*

spirit

Animation and energy in action or expression.
***Spirits** of turpentine.*

vision

The images seen on a television screen.
*The runners emerged from the trees into his clear **vision**.*

wraith

A ghost or ghostlike image of someone, especially one seen shortly before or after their death.
*A sea breeze was sending a grey **wraith** of smoke up the slopes.*



Usage Examples of "Phantom" as a noun

- *He tried to clear the phantoms from his head and grasp reality.*
- *A phantom conspiracy.*
- *A phantom who haunts lonely roads.*
- *A phantom ship.*
- *He diverted an estimated £1,500,000 into 'phantom' bank accounts.*
- *The women suffered from phantom pain that no physician could ever find.*



Associations of "Phantom" (30 Words)

aeon	A major division of geological time, subdivided into eras. <i>He reached the crag aeons before I arrived.</i>
apparition	The appearance of a ghostlike figure. <i>A headless apparition.</i>
<u>cursed</u>	Used to express annoyance or irritation. <i>I ll be cursed if I can see your reasoning.</i>
<u>demon</u>	A powerful, often destructive compulsion or obsession. <i>He was possessed by an evil demon.</i>
disembodied	(of a sound) lacking any obvious physical source. <i>A disembodied voice at the end of the phone.</i>
exorcise	Drive out or attempt to drive out (a supposed evil spirit) from a person or place. <i>Infants were exorcised prior to baptism.</i>
extrasensory	Seemingly outside normal sensory channels.

fiend	A person motivated by irrational enthusiasm (as for a cause). <i>A football fiend.</i>
genie	(Islam) an invisible spirit mentioned in the Koran and believed by Muslims to inhabit the earth and influence mankind by appearing in the form of humans or animals.
ghost	Haunt like a ghost pursue. <i>She gave the ghost of a smile.</i>
hallucinate	Perceive what is not there; have illusions. <i>I don't care if they're hallucinating purple snakes.</i>
haunt	Haunt like a ghost pursue. <i>She haunts the ballet.</i>
incorporeal	Having no physical existence. <i>A supreme but incorporeal being called God.</i>
malevolent	Having or exerting a malignant influence. <i>A gossip malevolent old woman.</i>
mettle	The courage to carry on. <i>The team showed their true mettle in the second half.</i>
mummy	(especially in ancient Egypt) a body of a human being or animal that has been ceremonially preserved by removal of the internal organs, treatment with natron and resin, and wrapping in bandages. <i>The mummy of Tutankhamen.</i>
obsess	Haunt like a ghost; pursue. <i>I became more and more obsessed by him.</i>
phantasm	A ghostly appearing figure. <i>The cart seemed to glide like a terrible phantasm.</i>
psychic	A person considered or claiming to have psychic powers a medium. <i>Psychic powers.</i>
scary	Frightening; causing fear. <i>A scary movie.</i>
seance	A meeting at which people attempt to make contact with the dead, especially through the agency of a medium. <i>The seance was held in the medium's parlor.</i>
soul	Black American culture or ethnic pride. <i>Soul was politically significant during the Civil Rights movement.</i>
specter	A ghostly appearing figure. <i>It aroused specters from his past.</i>

spectral	Resembling or characteristic of a phantom. <i>A spectral menacing face.</i>
spirit	Infuse with spirit. <i>He confessed in a spirit of self respect.</i>
<u>spiritual</u>	Relating to religion or religious belief. <i>The country's spiritual leader.</i>
transcendental	Relating to a spiritual realm. <i>The transcendental importance of each person's soul.</i>
transcendentalism	Any system of philosophy emphasizing the intuitive and spiritual above the empirical and material.
<u>wraith</u>	A ghost or ghostlike image of someone, especially one seen shortly before or after their death. <i>A sea breeze was sending a grey wraith of smoke up the slopes.</i>
<u>zeitgeist</u>	The defining spirit or mood of a particular period of history as shown by the ideas and beliefs of the time. <i>The story captured the zeitgeist of the late 1960s.</i>

