

Need another word that means the same as “pivot”? Find 40 synonyms and 30 related words for “pivot” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Pivot” are: pin, pivot man, central shaft, fulcrum, axis, axle, swivel, hub, spindle, hinge, pintle, kingpin, gudgeon, trunnion, centre, focus, central point, heart, nucleus, raison d’être, crux, keystone, cornerstone, linchpin, rotate, turn, revolve, spin, twirl, whirl, wheel, oscillate, depend, hang, rely, rest, be contingent

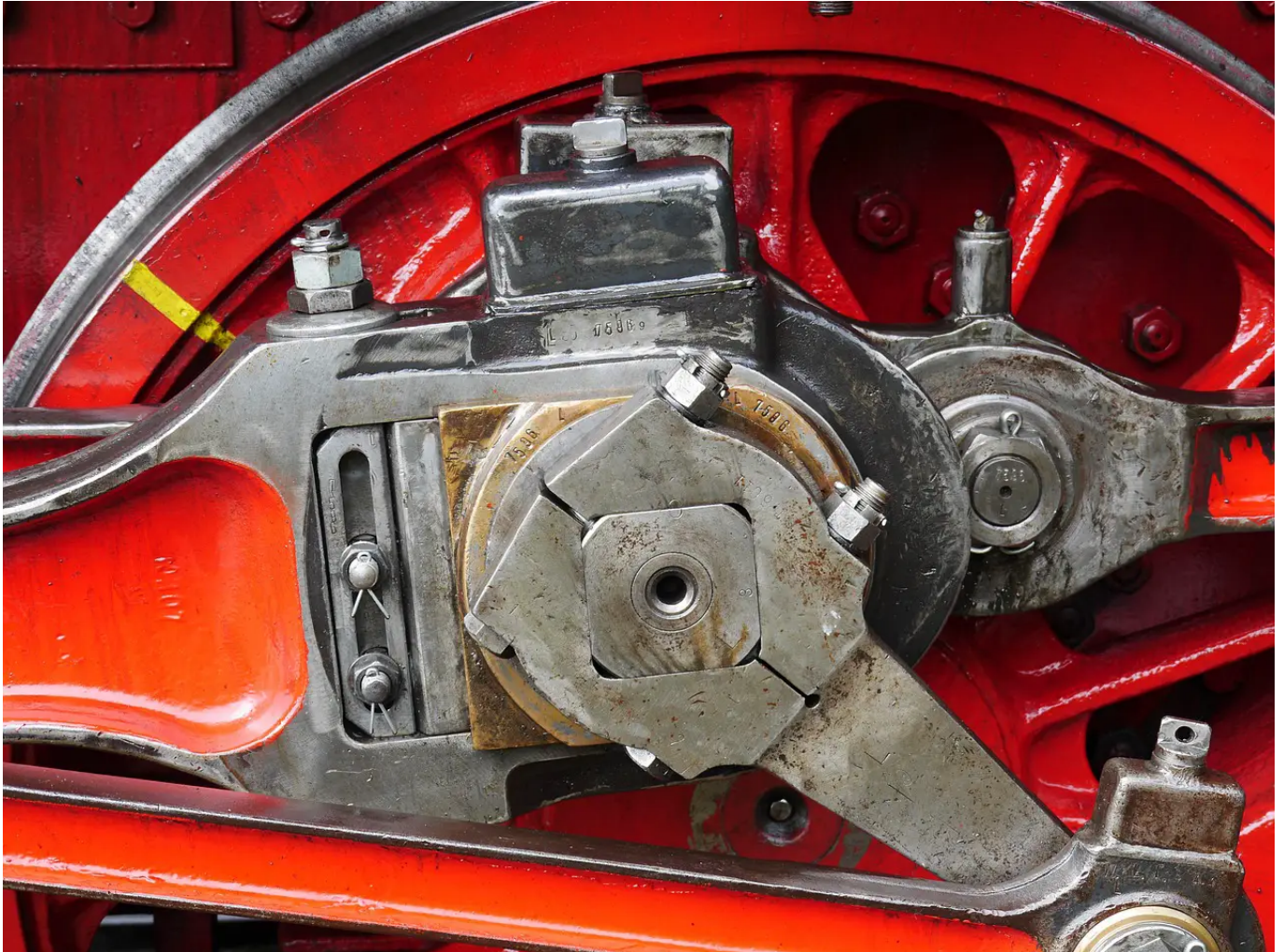
Pivot as a Noun

Definitions of "Pivot" as a noun

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

- *The central point, pin, or shaft on which a mechanism turns or oscillates.*
- *The act of turning on (or as if on) a pivot.*
- *The person or position from which a body of troops takes its reference point when moving or changing course.*
- *A player in a central position in a team sport.*
- *The person in a rank around whom the others wheel and maneuver.*
- *A movement in which the player holding the ball may move in any direction with one foot, while keeping the other (the pivot foot) in contact with the floor.*
- *A person or thing that plays a central part in a situation or enterprise.*

- *Axis consisting of a short shaft that supports something that turns.*



Synonyms of "Pivot" as a noun (24 Words)

- axis** In World War II the alliance of Germany and Italy in 1936 which later included Japan and other nations.
*The leaflets are arranged in rows on a slender **axis**.*
- axle** A shaft on which a wheel rotates.
*The exhaust pipe corrodes around the bend which goes over the rear **axle** on motor cars.*
- central point** A workplace that serves as a telecommunications facility where lines from telephones can be connected together to permit communication.
- central shaft** A workplace that serves as a telecommunications facility where lines from telephones can be connected together to permit communication.

centre	A kick, hit, or throw of the ball from the side to the middle of field in soccer, hockey, and other team games. <i>A conference centre.</i>
cornerstone	A stone that forms the base of a corner of a building, joining two walls. <i>A national minimum wage remained the cornerstone of policy.</i>
crux	A small conspicuous constellation in the southern hemisphere in the Milky Way near Centaurus. <i>The crux of the matter is that attitudes have changed.</i>
focus	One of the fixed points from which the distances to any point of a given curve, such as an ellipse or parabola, are connected by a linear relation. <i>The incident brought her feelings for Alexander sharply into focus.</i>
fulcrum	The point against which a lever is placed to get a purchase, or on which it turns or is supported. <i>Research is the fulcrum of the academic community.</i>
gudgeon	Small spiny-finned fish of coastal or brackish waters having a large head and elongated tapering body having the ventral fins modified as a sucker.
heart	A card of the suit of hearts. <i>A five pound beef heart will serve six.</i>
hinge	A natural joint which performs a function similar to that of a man made hinge for example that of a bivalve shell. <i>His absence is the hinge of our plan.</i>
hub	The central part of a car wheel (or fan or propeller etc) through which the shaft or axle passes. <i>The city's major transportation hub for bus and rail.</i>
keystone	The central principle or part of a policy, system, etc., on which all else depends. <i>The keystone of campaign reform was the ban on soft money.</i>
kingpin	A vertical bolt used as a pivot. <i>The kingpins of the television industry.</i>
linchpin	A central cohesive source of support and stability. <i>Nurses are the linchpin of the National Health Service.</i>
nucleus	The central structure of the lens that is surrounded by the cortex. <i>The nucleus of a British film producing industry.</i>
pin	An attack on a piece or pawn which is thereby pinned. <i>She was very nimble on her pins.</i>
pinle	A pin or bolt forming the pivot of a hinge.
pivot man	The person in a rank around whom the others wheel and maneuver.

raison d'être Reason for being.

spindle

A Eurasian shrub or small tree with slender toothed leaves and pink capsules containing bright orange seeds Its hard timber was formerly used for making spindles.

*Chromosomes are distributed by **spindles** in mitosis and meiosis.*

swivel

A coupling (as in a chain) that has one end that turns on a headed pin.

trunnion

A pin or pivot forming one of a pair on which something is supported.



Usage Examples of "Pivot" as a noun

- *The pivot of community life was the chapel.*
- *The golfer went to the driving range to practice his pivot.*



Pivot as a Verb

Definitions of "Pivot" as a verb

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

- *Depend on.*
- *Provide (a mechanism) with a pivot; fix (a mechanism) on a pivot.*
- *Turn on a pivot.*
- *Turn on or as if on a pivot.*



Synonyms of "Pivot" as a verb (16 Words)

be contingent Have life, be alive.

centre Have or cause to have (a specified concern or theme).
*The case **centres** around the couple s adopted children.*

depend Be grammatically dependent on.
*His tongue **depended** from open jaws.*

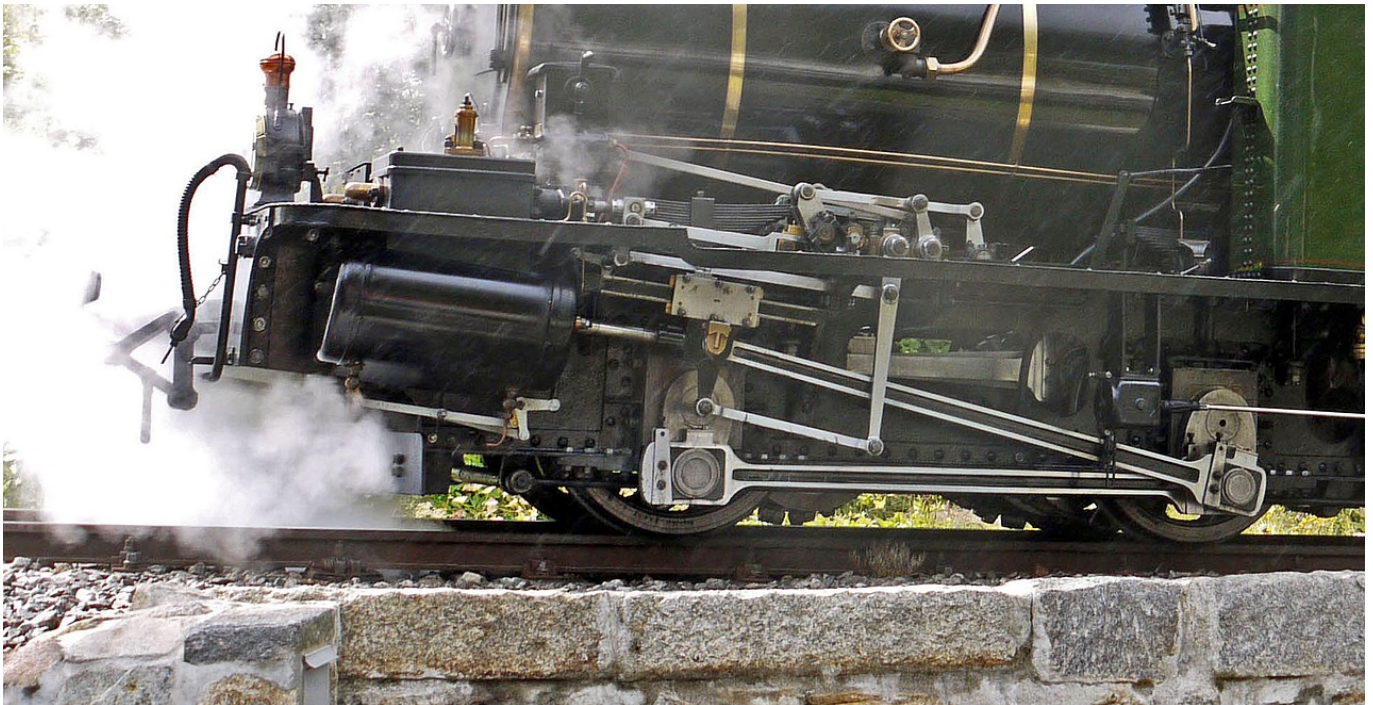
hang Cause to be hanging or suspended.
*This blend of silk and wool **hangs** well and resists creases.*

hinge Attach or join with or as if with a hinge.
*The ironing board was set into the wall and **hinged** at the bottom.*

oscillate (of a circuit or device) cause the electric current or voltage running through it to vary in magnitude or position in a regular manner about a central point.

*He **oscillates** between accepting the new position and retirement.*

- rely** Have faith or confidence in.
*I know I can **rely** on your discretion.*
- rest** Give a rest to.
*I m going to **rest** up before travelling to England.*
- revolve** Move in an orbit.
*Overhead the fan **revolved** slowly.*
- rotate** Plant or grow in a fixed cyclic order of succession.
*We **rotate** the lead soprano every night.*
- spin** Cause to spin.
***Spin** out a visit.*
- swivel** Turn around a point or axis or on a swivel.
*He **swivelled** in the chair.*
- turn** To break and turn over earth especially with a plow.
***Turn** a key.*
- twirl** Cause to rotate.
*She **twirled** her fork in the pasta.*
- wheel** Move along on or as if on wheels or a wheeled vehicle.
*Luke was **wheeling** a barrow.*
- whirl** Move or cause to move rapidly.
*Sybil stood waving as they **whirled** past.*



Usage Examples of "Pivot" as a verb

- *The government's reaction pivoted on the response of the Prime Minister.*
- *He swung round, pivoting on his heel.*



Associations of "Pivot" (30 Words)

center

Ice hockey the person who plays center on a hockey team.
*His stories made him the **center** of the party.*

central

Serving as an essential component.
*The station has a **central** courtyard.*

circle

Form a circle around.
*We **circled** round the island.*

circular

Having a circular shape.
*He mailed the **circular** to all subscribers.*

concentric

Having a common center.
***Concentric** rings.*

core

Remove the core or center from.
*Nothing will strengthen your **core** like balancing a heavy barbell on your back or lifting one off the floor.*

crucial

Having crucial relevance.
*A **crucial** election.*

focal	Relating to the focus of a lens. <i>Focal point.</i>
<u>fulcrum</u>	The point against which a lever is placed to get a purchase, or on which it turns or is supported. <i>Research is the fulcrum of the academic community.</i>
halfway	Equally distant from the extremes. <i>We ve reached the halfway point of the season.</i>
homocentric	Having the same centre.
<u>hub</u>	The central part of a wheel, rotating on or with the axle, and from which the spokes radiate. <i>The playground is the hub of parental supervision.</i>
importance	A prominent status. <i>The importance of a good education.</i>
instrumental	The instrumental case. <i>A very instrumental view of education and how it relates to their needs.</i>
intermediate	A person at an intermediate level of knowledge or skill. <i>A cooled liquid intermediate between liquid and solid.</i>
meantime	Meanwhile. <i>Meantime he was attentive to his other interests.</i>
mid	Of or in the middle part or position of a range. <i>Mid brown hair.</i>
<u>middle</u>	In cricket tennis etc strike the ball with the middle of the bat racket or club. <i>The early and middle part of life.</i>
middlebrow	A middlebrow person. <i>Middlebrow fiction.</i>
midst	The location of something surrounded by other things. <i>In the midst of the crowd.</i>
midway	Having some of the characteristics of one thing and some of another. <i>He sensationally led the tournament at the midway point.</i>
<u>pivotal</u>	Of crucial importance in relation to the development or success of something else. <i>Its pivotal location has also exposed it to periodic invasions.</i>
point	Insert points in written text of Semitic languages. <i>At that point I had to leave.</i>
proximal	Situated nearer to the centre of the body or the point of attachment. <i>The proximal end of the forearm.</i>

- reel** Dance a reel.
*Sailplanes are often launched by means of a wire **reeled** in by a winch.*
- rotate** Perform a job or duty on a rotating basis.
*The wheel continued to **rotate**.*
- round** Make round.
*The gun can fire 30 **rounds** a second.*
- spin** Cause to spin.
*He took the new car for a **spin**.*
- swivel** Turn around a point or axis or on a swivel.
*She **swivelled** her eyes round.*
- thereabout** Near that time or date.
*Come at noon or **thereabouts**.*

