

Need another word that means the same as "rhetoric"? Find 27 synonyms and 30 related words for "rhetoric" in this overview.

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The synonyms of "Rhetoric" are: grandiloquence, grandiosity, magniloquence, ornateness, empty talk, empty words, palaver, oratory, eloquence, power of speech, command of language, expression, way with words, delivery, diction, bombast, loftiness, turgidity, pomposity, boastfulness, boasting, bragging, heroics, hyperbole, purple prose, pompousness, sonorousness

#### Rhetoric as a Noun

#### Definitions of "Rhetoric" as a noun

According to the <u>Oxford Dictionary of English</u>, "rhetoric" as a noun can have the following definitions:

- Using language effectively to please or persuade.
- High-flown style; excessive use of verbal ornamentation.
- Study of the technique and rules for using language effectively (especially in public speaking.
- Language designed to have a persuasive or impressive effect, but which is often regarded as lacking in sincerity or meaningful content.
- Loud and confused and empty talk.
- The art of effective or persuasive speaking or writing, especially the exploitation of figures of speech and other compositional techniques.







### Synonyms of "Rhetoric" as a noun (27 Words)

**boastfulness** Outspoken conceit.

**boasting** Speaking of yourself in superlatives.

His online **boasting** led police straight to his doorstep.

High-sounding language with little meaning, used to impress

**bombast** people.

The **bombast** of gung ho militarism.

An instance of boastful talk.

bragging

A little honest bragging doesn t hurt anyone.

command of language A line of code written as part of a computer program.

An act of throwing, bowling, or kicking a ball, especially a cricket

**delivery** ball.

*Injuries sustained during delivery.* 

diction The manner in which something is expressed in words.

She began imitating his careful **diction**.

eloquence Fluent or persuasive speaking or writing.

His **eloquence** attracted a large congregation.

empty talk A container that has been emptied.empty words A container that has been emptied.

Expression without words.

**expression**The **expression** of milk from her breast.

**grandiloquence** High-flown style; excessive use of verbal ornamentation.

The quality of being impressive and imposing in appearance or

**grandiosity** style, especially pretentiously so.

He was self absorbed and prone to **grandiosity**.

Ostentatious or vainglorious or extravagant or melodramatic

**heroics** conduct.

**Heroics** are for those epic films they make in Hollywood.

Extravagant exaggeration.

**hyperbole**You can t accuse us of **hyperbole**.

**loftiness** The quality of being high or lofty.

magniloquence High-flown style; excessive use of verbal ornamentation.

There was no trace of **magniloquence**.

oratory A small chapel, especially for private worship.

He loved the sound of his own **oratory**.



ornateness High-flown style; excessive use of verbal ornamentation.

An excessive **ornateness** of language.

palaver Unnecessarily elaborate or complex procedure.

There s a lot of **palaver** involved.

**pomposity**The quality of being pompous; self-importance.

His reputation for arrogance and **pomposity**.

pompousness Lack of elegance as a consequence of being pompous and puffed

up with vanity.

**power of speech** One possessing or exercising power or influence or authority.

**purple prose** A purple color or pigment.

sonorousness Having the character of a loud deep sound; the quality of being

resonant.

**turgidity** Pompously embellished language.

**way with words** How something is done or how it happens.





## Usage Examples of "Rhetoric" as a noun

- He is using a common figure of rhetoric, hyperbole.
- Mere rhetoric.
- All we have from the Opposition is empty rhetoric.



# Associations of "Rhetoric" (30 Words)

(of a phrase or line of verse) contain words which begin with the same alliterate

sound or letter.

His first and last names alliterated.

The basic elements in a system which combine to form complex entities. alphabet

DNA s 4 letter alphabet.



antonym

Unclearness by virtue of having more than one meaning. **ambiguity** 

We can detect no **ambiguity** in this section of the Act.

A word that expresses a meaning opposed to the meaning of another

word in which case the two words are antonyms of each other.

To him the **antonym** of gay was depressed.

Assure somebody of the truth of something with the intention of giving

the listener confidence. assure

You would be assured of a welcome.

**circumlocution** A style that involves indirect ways of expressing things.

His admission came after years of **circumlocution**.

Roundabout and unnecessarily wordy.

**circumlocutory** Had a preference for circumlocutious or **circumlocutory** rather than

forthright expression.

A pair or group of words that are habitually juxtaposed. collocation

The words have a similar range of **collocation**.

Of or relating to or employing dialectic. dialectic

The **dialectic**al method.

An inoffensive or indirect expression that is substituted for one that is

considered offensive or too harsh. euphemism

The jargon has given us downsizing as a **euphemism** for cuts.

A grammar school. grammar

The **grammar** of wine.

**grandiloquence** High-flown style; excessive use of verbal ornamentation.

Lofty in style.

grandiloquent A **grandiloquent** celebration of Spanish glory.

Stand behind and guarantee the quality accuracy or condition of. guarantee

Preparation will **quarantee** success.

Two words are homonyms if they are pronounced and spelled the same homonym

way but have different meanings.

An indirect (and usually malicious) implication. innuendo

A constant torrent of **innuendo** gossip lies and half truths.

Coarse or offensive language.

language The speed with which a program can be executed depends on the

language in which it is written.

Lofty in style. magniloquent

A small chapel, especially for private worship. oratory

He loved the sound of his own **oratory**.



**orthography**The conventional spelling system of a language.

A spoken language which has as yet no sanctioned **orthography**.

Resolve (a sentence) into its component parts and describe their

**parse** syntactic roles.

A failed **parse** was retried.

A belief or set of beliefs, especially religious or political ones.

Writers of all political **persuasion**s.

**sentence** Pronounce a sentence on somebody in a court of law.

He always spoke in grammatical **sentence**s.

Prevent someone from speaking or being heard by shouting.

**shout** Anyone shooting a hole in one must **shout** for all players present on the

course.

A person's ability to spell words.

The books and **spelling** in my class were too simple.

A set of rules for or an analysis of the syntax of a language.

The **syntax** of English.

tautology (logic) a statement that is necessarily true.

The statement he is brave or he is not brave is a **tautology**.

**typo** A typographical error.

vocabulary

The body of words known to an individual person.

The term became part of business **vocabulary**.

word A command password or signal.

He didn t say a word about it.



