

Need another word that means the same as “riff”? Find 6 synonyms for “riff” in this overview.

Table Of Contents:

- [Riff as a Noun](#)
- [Definitions of "Riff" as a noun](#)
- [Synonyms of "Riff" as a noun \(1 Word\)](#)
- [Usage Examples of "Riff" as a noun](#)
- [Riff as a Verb](#)
- [Definitions of "Riff" as a verb](#)
- [Synonyms of "Riff" as a verb \(5 Words\)](#)
- [Usage Examples of "Riff" as a verb](#)

The synonyms of “Riff” are: flick, flip, leaf, riffle, thumb, riffian

Riff as a Noun

Definitions of "Riff" as a noun

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

- *A jazz ostinato; usually provides a background for a solo improvisation.*
- *A short repeated phrase in popular music and jazz, typically used as an introduction or refrain in a song.*
- *A Berber living in northern Morocco.*
- *A monologue or spoken improvisation, especially a humorous one, on a particular subject.*



Synonyms of "Riff" as a noun (1 Word)

riffian A Berber living in northern Morocco.



Usage Examples of "Riff" as a noun

- *Extended riffs on the pitfalls of contemporary romance.*
- *A brilliant guitar riff.*



Riff as a Verb

Definitions of "Riff" as a verb

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

- *Perform a monologue or spoken improvisation on a particular subject.*
- *Look through a book or other written material.*
- *Play riffs.*



Synonyms of "Riff" as a verb (5 Words)

- flick** Remove with a flick of the hand.
*He **flicked** his Bic.*
- flip** Go mad, go crazy.
*My mum will **flip** if I don't get my homework done tonight.*
- leaf** (of a plant, especially a deciduous one in spring) put out new leaves.
***Leaf** through a book.*
- rifle** Search quickly through (something).
*She opened a book and **rifled** the pages.*
- thumb** Turn over pages with or as if with one's thumb.
*He was **thumbing** through USA Today for the umpteenth time.*

Usage Examples of "Riff" as a verb

- *The other horns would be riffing behind him.*
- *He also riffs on racism and the economy.*