

Need another word that means the same as “riot”? Find 72 synonyms and 30 related words for “riot” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Riot” are: belly laugh, howler, scream, sidesplitter, thigh-slapper, wow, rioting, bacchanal, bacchanalia, debauch, debauchery, orgy, saturnalia, public violence, uproar, rampage, furore, tumult, commotion, upheaval, disturbance, street fight, melee, row, scuffle, fracas, fray, affray, brawl, pandemonium, mayhem, confusion, unrest, hubbub, turmoil, ruckus, disarray, turbulence, mass, sea, splash, extravagance, extravaganza, flourish, show, exhibition, laugh, wit, hoot, comedian, comic, entertainer, joker, clown, buffoon, carouse, roister, go on the rampage, run riot, take to the streets, fight in the streets, start a fight, raise an uproar, cause an affray, go wild, run wild, run amok, go berserk, fight

Riot as a Noun

Definitions of "Riot" as a noun

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

- *A wild gathering involving excessive drinking and promiscuity.*
- *An uproar.*
- *A violent disturbance of the peace by a crowd.*
- *A public act of violence by an unruly mob.*
- *A state of disorder involving group violence.*

- *An outburst of uncontrolled feelings.*
- *A joke that seems extremely funny.*
- *A highly amusing or entertaining person or thing.*
- *An impressively large or varied display of something.*
- *Uncontrolled revelry; rowdy behaviour.*



Synonyms of "Riot" as a noun (55 Words)

affray	Noisy quarrel. <i>Lowe was charged with causing an affray.</i>
bacchanal	A drunken reveller; a devotee of Bacchus. <i>The debauched and alcoholic president was said to be organizing unceasing bacchanals.</i>
bacchanalia	A wild gathering involving excessive drinking and promiscuity.
belly laugh	The region of the body of a vertebrate between the thorax and the pelvis.
brawl	An uproarious party. <i>He d got into a drunken brawl in a bar.</i>
buffoon	A ridiculous but amusing person; a clown.
clown	A rude or vulgar fool. <i>We need a serious government not a bunch of clowns.</i>
comedian	An entertainer on stage or television whose act is designed to make an audience laugh. <i>A stand up comedian.</i>
comic	A periodical containing comic strips intended chiefly for children. <i>The shop sold newspapers and children s comics.</i>
<u>commotion</u>	A disorderly outburst or tumult. <i>Damage caused by civil commotion.</i>
confusion	Disorder resulting from a failure to behave predictably. <i>There seems to be some confusion about which system does what.</i>
debauch	A wild gathering involving excessive drinking and promiscuity. <i>His life had been spent in debauch.</i>
<u>debauchery</u>	Excessive indulgence in sex, alcohol, or drugs.
<u>disarray</u>	A mental state characterized by a lack of clear and orderly thought and behavior. <i>Her grey hair was in disarray.</i>
<u>disturbance</u>	The interruption of a settled and peaceful condition. <i>There was too much anger and disturbance.</i>
entertainer	A person, such as a singer, dancer, or comedian, whose job is to entertain others. <i>She is one of Hollywood s highest paid entertainers.</i>
<u>exhibition</u>	(in sport) a game whose outcome does not affect a team's standing, typically one played before the start of a regular season. <i>Brasenose awarded him a senior Hulme exhibition.</i>

extravagance	Excessive spending. <i>The extravagance of the decor.</i>
<u>extravaganza</u>	Any lavishly staged or spectacular entertainment. <i>An extravaganza of dance in many forms.</i>
flourish	An extemporized addition played especially at the beginning or end of a composition. <i>With a flourish she ushered them inside.</i>
fracas	A noisy disturbance or quarrel. <i>The fracas was broken up by stewards.</i>
<u>fray</u>	A noisy fight.
furore	An outbreak of public anger or excitement. <i>It was little thought that they would excite such a furore among stamp collectors.</i>
hoot	A short outburst of laughter. <i>Your mum s a real hoot.</i>
howler	A fruit-eating monkey with a prehensile tail and a loud howling call, native to the forests of tropical America. <i>The occasional schoolboy howler would amuse the examiners.</i>
hubbub	Loud confused noise from many sources. <i>A hubbub of laughter and shouting.</i>
joker	A clause unobtrusively inserted in a bill or document and affecting its operation in a way not immediately apparent. <i>A bunch of jokers.</i>
laugh	A facial expression characteristic of a person laughing. <i>That s a laugh the idea of you cooking a meal.</i>
<u>mass</u>	A musical setting for a Mass. <i>We get masses of homework.</i>
<u>mayhem</u>	Violent and needless disturbance. <i>Complete mayhem broke out.</i>
melee	A confused crowd of people. <i>Several people were hurt in the melee.</i>
pandemonium	Wild and noisy disorder or confusion; uproar. <i>There was complete pandemonium everyone just panicked.</i>
public violence	A body of people sharing some common interest.
<u>rampage</u>	Violently angry and destructive behavior. <i>Youths went on the rampage and wrecked a classroom.</i>

rioting	A wild gathering involving excessive drinking and promiscuity. <i>The clashes followed a night of rioting in several parts of the city.</i>
row	The act of rowing as a sport. <i>A mackerel sky filled with rows of clouds.</i>
<u>ruckus</u>	The act of making a noisy disturbance. <i>There s enough ruckus over identity cards.</i>
saturnalia	An orgiastic festival in ancient Rome in honor of Saturn.
<u>scream</u>	A loud, piercing sound. <i>The screams of the seagulls.</i>
scuffle	Disorderly fighting. <i>There were minor scuffles with police.</i>
<u>sea</u>	A roughly definable area of the sea. <i>Heavy seas.</i>
show	The act of publicly exhibiting or entertaining. <i>A remarkable show of skill.</i>
sidesplitter	A joke that seems extremely funny.
splash	The act of splashing a liquid substance on a surface. <i>We hit the water with a mighty splash.</i>
street fight	The streets of a city viewed as a depressed environment in which there is poverty and crime and prostitution and dereliction.
thigh-slapper	A joke that seems extremely funny.
tumult	A state of commotion and noise and confusion. <i>A tumult of shouting and screaming broke out.</i>
<u>turbulence</u>	A state of violent disturbance and disorder (as in politics or social conditions generally). <i>The plane shuddered as it entered some turbulence.</i>
<u>turmoil</u>	A state of great disturbance, confusion, or uncertainty. <i>He endured years of inner turmoil.</i>
<u>unrest</u>	A state of dissatisfaction, disturbance, and agitation, typically involving public demonstrations or disorder. <i>The frenzy and unrest of her own life.</i>
<u>upheaval</u>	An upward displacement of part of the earth's crust. <i>Times of political upheaval.</i>
<u>uproar</u>	A loud and impassioned noise or disturbance. <i>The assembly dissolved in uproar.</i>
<u>wit</u>	A witty person. <i>She is such a wit.</i>

wow

A sensational success.
Your play *s a* **wow**.



Usage Examples of "Riot" as a noun

- *Everyone thought she was a riot.*
- *Riot police.*
- *The garden was a riot of colour.*
- *A prison riot.*
- *He was convicted on charges of riot and assault.*
- *Riots broke out in the capital.*
- *The film's sex scenes caused a riot in Cannes.*
- *A riot of emotions raged through Fabia.*
- *A young lord leaving the city after a night of riot.*



Riot as a Verb

Definitions of "Riot" as a verb

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

- *Behave in an unrestrained way.*
- *Act in a dissipated way.*
- *Take part in a violent public disturbance.*
- *Engage in boisterous, drunken merrymaking.*

- Take part in a riot; disturb the public peace by engaging in a riot.



Synonyms of "Riot" as a verb (17 Words)

brawl	(of a stream) flow noisily. <i>He ended up brawling with a lout outside his house.</i>
carouse	Engage in boisterous, drunken merrymaking. <i>They danced and caroused until the drink ran out.</i>
cause an affray	Give rise to; cause to happen or occur, not always intentionally.
fight	Be engaged in a fight carry on a fight. <i>She watched him fight his way across the room.</i>
fight in the streets	Exert oneself continuously, vigorously, or obtrusively to gain an end or engage in a crusade for a certain cause or person; be an advocate for.
go berserk	Pass from physical life and lose all bodily attributes and functions necessary to sustain life.

go on the rampage	Follow a certain course.
go wild	Follow a certain course.
raise an uproar	Invigorate or heighten.
rampage	Act violently, recklessly, or destructively. <i>Several thousand demonstrators rampaged through the city.</i>
roister	Enjoy oneself or celebrate in a noisy or boisterous way. <i>Workers from the refinery roistered in the bars.</i>
run amok	Occur persistently.
run riot	Cause to perform.
run wild	Cause to perform.
scuffle	Move in a hurried, confused, or awkward way, making a rustling or shuffling sound. <i>The drunken men started to scuffle.</i>
start a fight	Have a beginning characterized in some specified way.
take to the streets	Take on a certain form, attribute, or aspect.



Usage Examples of "Riot" as a verb

- *Students rioted in Paris.*
- *Another set of emotions rioted through him.*
- *Students were rioting everywhere in 1968.*
- *An unrepentant prodigal son, rioting off to far countries.*



Associations of "Riot" (30 Words)

commotion

Confused movement.

*They set off firecrackers to make a lot of **commotion**.*

congestion

Excessive accumulation of blood or other fluid in a body part.

*Traffic **congestion**.*

crowd

Cause to herd drive or crowd together.

*I've broken away from that whole junkie **crowd**.*

debauchery

Excessive indulgence in sex, alcohol, or drugs.

demonstration	A visual presentation showing how something works. <i>A microwave cookery demonstration.</i>
disloyalty	The quality of being disloyal. <i>An accusation of disloyalty and betrayal.</i>
<u>disobedience</u>	The failure to obey. <i>Disobedience to law is sometimes justified.</i>
<u>disturbance</u>	Activity that is a malfunction, intrusion, or interruption. <i>Children with learning difficulty and personality disturbance.</i>
insurrection	Organized opposition to authority; a conflict in which one faction tries to wrest control from another. <i>The insurrection was savagely put down.</i>
loud	Used chiefly as a direction or description in music loud with force. <i>His voice is loud and challenging.</i>
<u>mass</u>	Assemble or cause to assemble into a single body or mass. <i>Separate the warriors from the mass.</i>
mob	A large crowd of people, especially one that is disorderly and intent on causing trouble or violence. <i>Small mammals may indulge in mobbing to rid themselves of a feared killer.</i>
<u>multitude</u>	A large indefinite number. <i>A multitude of medical conditions are due to being overweight.</i>
<u>mutiny</u>	Engage in a mutiny against an authority. <i>A mutiny by those manning the weapons could trigger a global war.</i>
<u>protest</u>	Write or obtain a protest in regard to a bill. <i>Before Muriel could protest he had filled both glasses.</i>
rabble	A disorderly crowd; a mob. <i>We arrived at the grounds after following a rabble of butterflies.</i>
<u>rally</u>	Drive in a rally. <i>A series of meetings to rally support for the union.</i>
<u>rebellion</u>	Refusal to accept some authority or code or convention. <i>Each generation must have its own rebellion.</i>
remonstrate	Censure severely or angrily. <i>You don't mean that she remonstrated.</i>
<u>revolt</u>	Feel disgust. <i>A country wide revolt against the government.</i>
riffraff	Disparaging terms for the common people.

rising	(of a sign) ascendant. <i>A rising market.</i>
rout	A disorderly or tumultuous crowd of people. <i>Rout out the fighters from their caves.</i>
<u>scream</u>	Move very rapidly with or as if with a loud, high-pitched sound. <i>The movie s a scream.</i>
sedition	Conduct or speech inciting people to rebel against the authority of a state or monarch.
shakeup	The imposition of a new organization; organizing differently (often involving extensive and drastic changes). <i>Top officials were forced out in the cabinet shakeup.</i>
stonewall	Delay or obstruct (a request, process, or person) by refusing to answer questions or by being evasive. <i>The President stonewalled when he realized the plot was being uncovered by a journalist.</i>
<u>upheaval</u>	(geology) a rise of land to a higher elevation (as in the process of mountain building). <i>The first upheaval produced a hill which was called Roof Mountain.</i>
<u>uprising</u>	An act of resistance or rebellion; a revolt. <i>An armed uprising.</i>
<u>uproar</u>	A loud and impassioned noise or disturbance. <i>The room was in an uproar.</i>

