

Need another word that means the same as “rivalry”? Find 3 synonyms and 30 related words for “rivalry” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Rivalry” are: competition, contention, competitiveness

Rivalry as a Noun

Definitions of "Rivalry" as a noun

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

- *The act of competing as for profit or a prize.*
- *Competition for the same objective or for superiority in the same field.*



Synonyms of "Rivalry" as a noun (3 Words)

- competition** Interaction between animal or plant species, or individual organisms, that are attempting to gain a share of a limited environmental resource. ***Competition** with ungulates or condylarths appears to have been the undoing of marsupials in North America.*
- competitiveness** An aggressive willingness to compete. *Shoppers are often pleasantly surprised by the **competitiveness** of the prices.*
- contention** An assertion, especially one maintained in argument. *The teams were in fierce **contention** for first place.*



Usage Examples of "Rivalry" as a noun

- *There always has been intense rivalry between the clubs.*
- *Personal and political rivalries.*



Associations of "Rivalry" (30 Words)

argue

Have an argument about something.
*It stands to reason she **argued**.*

<u>argument</u>	An independent variable associated with a function or proposition and determining its value For example in the expression $y = F(x)$ the arguments of the function F are x and x and the value is y . <i>The editor added the argument to the poem.</i>
<u>argumentative</u>	Using or characterized by systematic reasoning. <i>An argumentative child.</i>
bellicose	Having or showing a ready disposition to fight. <i>A mood of bellicose jingoism.</i>
belligerent	A nation or person engaged in war or conflict, as recognized by international law. <i>A conference of socialists from all belligerent countries.</i>
combative	Having or showing a ready disposition to fight. <i>A combative impulse.</i>
<u>compete</u>	Compete for something engage in a contest measure oneself against others. <i>He competed with a number of other candidates.</i>
competition	The activity or condition of striving to gain or win something by defeating or establishing superiority over others. <i>A beauty competition.</i>
conflict	Be in conflict. <i>His conflict of interest made him ineligible for the post.</i>
<u>confrontational</u>	Tending to deal with situations in an aggressive way; hostile or argumentative. <i>He distanced himself from the confrontational approach adopted by his predecessor.</i>
<u>contend</u>	Struggle to surmount (a difficulty). <i>Militant groups are contending for control of the country.</i>
<u>contention</u>	A contentious speech act; a dispute where there is strong disagreement. <i>The teams were in fierce contention for first place.</i>
<u>contentious</u>	(of a person) given to provoking argument. <i>A style described as abrasive and contentious.</i>
<u>contest</u>	An occasion on which a winner is selected from among two or more contestants. <i>A contest between traditional and liberal views.</i>
<u>controversy</u>	Prolonged public disagreement or heated discussion. <i>The design of the building has caused controversy.</i>
<u>debatable</u>	Open to discussion or argument. <i>It is debatable whether the country is coming out of recession.</i>

debate	The formal presentation of a stated proposition and the opposition to it (usually followed by a vote). <i>Last night s debate on the Education Bill.</i>
discord	Lack of agreement or harmony. <i>The discord between indigenous and Western cultures.</i>
disputatious	Inclined or showing an inclination to dispute or disagree, even to engage in law suits. <i>It s a congenial hang out for disputatious academics.</i>
dispute	Question whether (a statement or alleged fact) is true or valid. <i>He had a dispute with his wife.</i>
divisive	Dissenting (especially dissenting with the majority opinion). <i>The highly divisive issue of abortion.</i>
fight	Be engaged in a fight carry on a fight. <i>He d had another fight with Katie.</i>
issue	Supplies as food or clothing or ammunition issued by the government. <i>The chance of carrying such a scheme to a successful issue was small.</i>
litigious	Of or relating to litigation. <i>A litigious and acrimonious spirit.</i>
polemical	Of or involving dispute or controversy. <i>A polemical essay.</i>
quarrelsome	Given to quarreling. <i>A moody quarrelsome man.</i>
strife	Bitter conflict; heated often violent dissension. <i>Decades of civil strife.</i>
struggle	A very difficult task. <i>A power struggle for the leadership.</i>
wrangle	A dispute or argument, typically one that is long and complicated. <i>The horses were wrangled early.</i>
wrangling	An instance of intense argument (as in bargaining). <i>Weeks of political wrangling.</i>

