

Need another word that means the same as "roundabout"? Find 17 synonyms and 30 related words for "roundabout" in this overview.

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The synonyms of "Roundabout" are: circle, rotary, traffic circle, carousel, carrousel, merry-go-round, whirligig, circuitous, devious, indirect, meandering, winding, serpentine, tortuous, oblique, circumlocutory, periphrastic

### Roundabout as a Noun

#### Definitions of "Roundabout" as a noun

According to the Oxford Dictionary of English, "roundabout" as a noun can have the following definitions:

- A road junction at which traffic moves in one direction round a central island to reach one of the roads converging on it.
- A large revolving device in a playground, for children to ride on.
- A revolving machine with model horses or cars on which people ride for amusement; a merry-go-round.
- A large, rotating machine with seats for children to ride or amusement.
- A road junction at which traffic streams circularly around a central island.





### Synonyms of "Roundabout" as a noun (7 Words)

A tournament in which groups of knights took part in demonstrations of

**carousel** equestrian skills.

They were waiting for their bags to appear on the **carousel**.

**carrousel** A large, rotating machine with seats for children to ride or amusement.

Something approximating the shape of a circle.

The machine punched out metal **circle**s.

**merry-go-round** The activity of playing 18 holes of golf.

rotary A rotary machine engine or device.

The accident blocked all traffic at the **rotary**.

traffic circle

The aggregation of things (pedestrians or vehicles) coming and going in

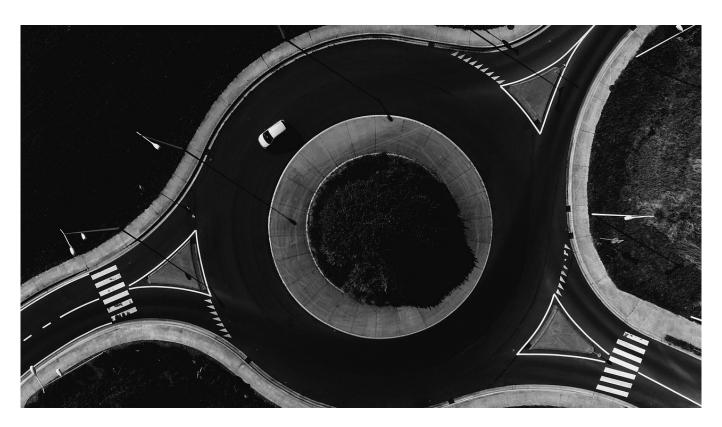
a particular locality during a specified period of time.

A small black predatory beetle which swims rapidly in circles on the

**whirligig** surface of still or slow-moving water and dives when alarmed.

The **whirligig** of time.

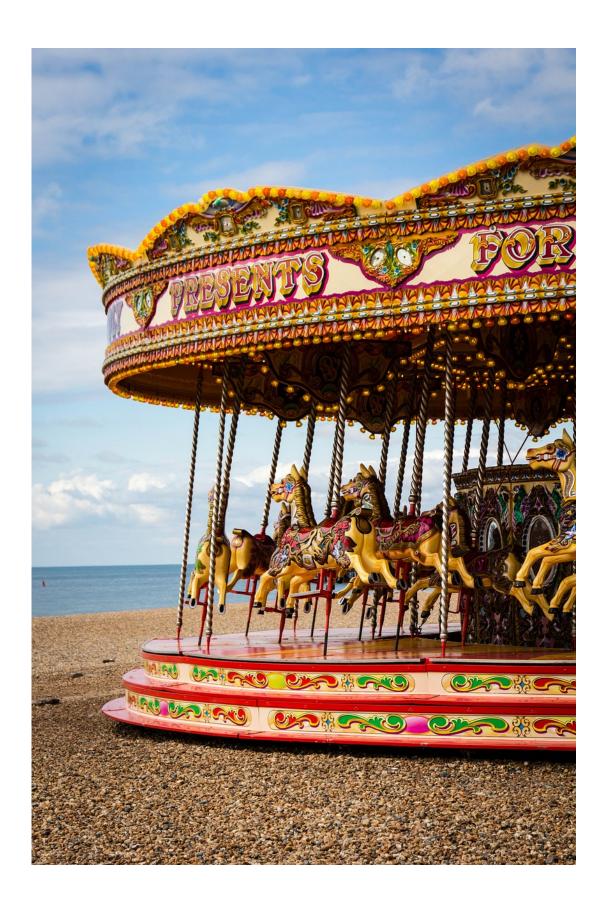




Usage Examples of "Roundabout" as a noun

 $\bullet \ Turn \ right \ at \ the \ next \ round about.$ 







# Roundabout as an Adjective

# Definitions of "Roundabout" as an adjective

According to the Oxford Dictionary of English, "roundabout" as an adjective can have the following definitions:

- Not saying what is meant clearly and directly; circumlocutory.
- Marked by obliqueness or indirection in speech or conduct.
- Deviating from a straight course.
- Not following a short direct route; circuitous.





#### Synonyms of "Roundabout" as an adjective (10 Words)

circuitous Marked by obliqueness or indirection in speech or conduct.

The explanation was **circuitous** and puzzling.

Using many words where fewer would do, especially in a deliberate

circumlocutory attempt to be vague or evasive; long-winded.

He has a meandering **circumlocutory** speaking style.

Showing a skilful use of underhand tactics to achieve goals.

He s as **devious** as a politician needs to be.

indirect Having intervening factors or persons or influences.

Local government under the **indirect** control of the British.

Of a path e.g.

meandering

A brilliant sample of meandering discourse.

**oblique**Not expressed or done in a direct way.

We sat on the settee **oblique** to the fireplace.

**periphrastic**Roundabout and unnecessarily wordy.

The **periphrastic** nature of legal syntax.

serpentine Complex, cunning, or treacherous.

Serpentine coils.

tortuous Full of twists and turns.

A tortuous argument.

winding Marked by repeated turns and bends.

A winding country road.





## Usage Examples of "Roundabout" as an adjective

- ullet We need to take a roundabout route to throw off any pursuit.
- A roundabout paragraph.
- A roundabout route avoided rush-hour traffic.
- Hear in a roundabout way that her ex-husband was marrying her best friend.
- In a roundabout way, he was fishing for information.





## Associations of "Roundabout" (30 Words)

Occurring by turns; first one and then the other. alternating

Alternating current.

**backhanded** Made across the body with back of hand facing direction of stroke. A **backhanded** and dishonest way of reaching his goal.

Shaped like a bulb. **bulbous** 

The **bulbous** buttercup.

A conveyer belt that carries luggage to be claimed by air travelers. carrousel

Something in the shape of a circle.

circle She was pale and rather beautiful with dark circles around deep exhausted

eyes.

Deviating from a straight course. circuitous

A circuitous line of reasoning.

Having a circular shape. circular

A circular letter was sent asking for support.

Having an outline or surface curved like the exterior of a circle or sphere. convex

A convex lens.



cowardly In a way which shows a lack of courage.

**Cowardly** dogs ye will not aid me then.

cyclical Occurring in cycles; recurrent.

The **cyclical** nature of the cement industry.

Indirect in departing from the accepted or proper way; misleading.

They have **devious** ways of making money.

A closed plane curve resulting from the intersection of a circular cone and a

plane cutting completely through it.

ellipse
The sums of the distances from the foci to any point on an ellipse is

constant.

**ellipticity** The condition of being elliptic.

**globose** Having the shape of a sphere or ball- Zane Grey.

The cells are generally **globose**.

indirect Extended senses; not direct in manner or language or behavior or action.

Making **indirect** but legitimate inquiries.

**junction** A point where two or more things are joined.

The **junction** of Queen s Road and Lancaster Avenue.

**mower** A person who cuts grass with a mower.

Keep **mower** blades sharp to prevent damage to the grass.

Relating to the periodic table of the elements.

**periodic Periodic** feelings of anxiety.

. .. In a sporadic manner.

The students received help from a friend only **periodically**.

. . . The quality of recurring at regular intervals.

periodicity

The periodicity of the sunspot cycle.

A circular region whose area is indicated by the length of its radius.

They located it within a **radius** of 2 miles.

repeated Done or occurring again several times in the same way.

There were **repeated** attempts to negotiate.

**repeating** (of a pattern) recurring uniformly over a surface.

A rotary machine engine or device.

The accident blocked all traffic at the **rotary**.

rotunda A roundabout.

A rotonda that exits on four roads into Greater Manila.

wind around move along a circular course.

She turned her glass **round** and **round**.



Having the shape of a sphere or ball. spherical

A **spherical** object.

Spin dry clothes. <u>spin</u>

He fiddled with the radio **spin**ning the dial.

The shape of something rotating rapidly. She emerged with a **swirl** of skirts. **swirl** 

A fin attached to the tail of an arrow, bomb or missile in order to stabilize or vane

guide it.

