

Need another word that means the same as “ruse”? Find 21 synonyms and 30 related words for “ruse” in this overview.

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Ruse as a Noun

Definitions of "Ruse" as a noun

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

- *An action intended to deceive someone; a trick.*
- *A deceptive maneuver (especially to avoid capture).*



Synonyms of "Ruse" as a noun (21 Words)

<u>artifice</u>	Clever or cunning devices or expedients, especially as used to trick or deceive others. <i>The style is not free from the artifices of the period.</i>
<u>blind</u>	A heavy drinking bout. <i>He phoned again from his own home that was just a blind for his wife.</i>
contrivance	An elaborate or deceitful scheme contrived to deceive or evade. <i>His testimony was just a contrivance to throw us off the track.</i>
cunning plan	Crafty artfulness (especially in deception).
device	A drawing or design. <i>The device is small enough to wear on your wrist.</i>
<u>dodge</u>	An elaborate or deceitful scheme contrived to deceive or evade. <i>The grant system's widespread use as a tax dodge.</i>
expedient	A means to an end; not necessarily a principled or ethical one. <i>The current policy is a political expedient.</i>

gambit	A chess move early in the game in which the player sacrifices minor pieces in order to obtain an advantageous position. <i>He tried the dubious Budapest gambit.</i>
game	A person's performance in a game; a person's standard of play. <i>The game of cricket.</i>
machination	A plot or scheme.
manoeuvre	A movement or series of moves requiring skill and care. <i>The Russian vessel was on manoeuvres.</i>
move	The act of changing your residence or place of business. <i>The country's move to independence.</i>
ploy	An activity done for amusement. <i>The eternal cross stitch I was set to do before I could indulge my own loys.</i>
red herring	A tributary of the Mississippi River that flows eastward from Texas along the southern boundary of Oklahoma and through Louisiana.
scheme	A statement that evades the question by cleverness or trickery. <i>The whole scheme is plunged into darkness bar the light in Victor's house.</i>
smokescreen	Screen consisting of a cloud of smoke that obscures movements. <i>Troops laid down a smokescreen to cover the rescue of the victims.</i>
stratagem	Skill in devising plans or schemes; cunning. <i>A series of devious stratagems.</i>
subterfuge	Something intended to misrepresent the true nature of an activity. <i>He wasn't sick it was just a subterfuge.</i>
tactic	An action or strategy carefully planned to achieve a specific end. <i>These are possible tax saving tactics to discuss with your accountant.</i>
trick	A peculiar or characteristic habit or mannerism. <i>The trick is to put one ski forward and kneel.</i>
wile	Devious or cunning stratagems employed in manipulating or persuading someone to do what one wants. <i>She didn't employ any feminine wiles to capture his attention.</i>

construct	An idea or theory containing various conceptual elements, typically one considered to be subjective and not based on empirical evidence. Construct an argument.
<u>deliberate</u>	Characterized by conscious design or purpose. A deliberate attempt to provoke conflict.
deliberately	With intention; in an intentional manner. She was working deliberately .
designed	Done or made or performed with purpose and intent. The aircraft performed their designed functions well.
fabricate	Make up something artificial or untrue. Officers fabricated evidence.
fancied	Formed or conceived by the imagination. A fancied wrong.
<u>fictitious</u>	Adopted in order to deceive. Reports of a deal were dismissed as fictitious by the Minister.
<u>forge</u>	Make out of components (often in an improvising manner). The signature on the cheque was forged .
<u>headed</u>	Having a head of a specified kind or anything that serves as a head; often used in combination. Headed notepaper.
<u>intend</u>	Mean or intend to express or convey. This benefit is intended for people incapable of work.
intended	Future; betrothed. She used to be my intended .
<u>intentional</u>	Characterized by conscious design or purpose. Intentional wrongdoing and harm.
intentionality	The quality of mental states (e.g. thoughts, beliefs, desires, hopes) which consists in their being directed towards some object or state of affairs.
intentionally	With intention; in an intentional manner. He used that word intentionally .
knowingly	In a way that suggests one has secret knowledge or awareness. When a journalist knowingly misleads their readers.
make	Make formulate or derive in the mind. Let s make it 7 30.
minded	Interested in or enthusiastic about a particular thing. Conservation minded citizens.

plan	Design or make a plan of something to be made or built. <i>They were planning a trip to Egypt.</i>
<u>planned</u>	Planned in advance. <i>The planned outlays for new equipment.</i>
purpose	The quality of being determined to do or achieve something firmness of purpose. <i>There was a new sense of purpose in her step as she set off.</i>
purposeful	Intentional. <i>If his sudden death was not accidental it must have been purposeful.</i>
purposefully	Intentionally and deliberately. <i>We purposefully avoided addressing the problem.</i>
purposely	With intention; in an intentional manner. <i>She had purposely made it difficult.</i>
<u>sabotage</u>	A deliberate act of destruction or disruption in which equipment is damaged. <i>Power lines from South Africa were sabotaged by rebel forces.</i>
scheme	Devise a system or form a scheme for. <i>Police uncovered a scheme to steal paintings worth more than 250 000.</i>
skillfully	With skill. <i>Fragments of a nearly complete jug skillfully restored at the institute of archaeology.</i>
wittingly	With full knowledge and deliberation. <i>He wittingly deleted the references.</i>