

Need another word that means the same as “scan”? Find 38 synonyms and 30 related words for “scan” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Scan” are: glance over, rake, run down, skim, read, study, examine, scrutinize, inspect, survey, search, scour, sweep, glance through, look over, look through, have a look at, cast one's eye over, pass one's eye over, run one's eye over, flick through, flip through, leaf through, thumb through, read quickly, browse through, cat scan, inspection, scrutiny, examination, glance, look, flick, browse, screening

Scan as a Noun

Definitions of "Scan" as a noun

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

- *An image obtained by scanning or with a scanner.*
- *The act of scanning; systematic examination of a prescribed region.*
- *An image produced by scanning.*
- *An act of scanning someone or something.*
- *A medical examination using a scanner.*



Synonyms of "Scan" as a noun (12 Words)

- browse** Vegetation (such as young shoots, twigs, and leaves) that is suitable for animals to eat.
*A **browse** through the sports pages.*
- cat scan** Any of several large cats typically able to roar and living in the wild.
The action or process of conducting an examination.
- examination** *The role of the planning system has come under increasing critical **examination**.*
- flick** A light sharp contact (usually with something flexible).
*He sent his cigarette spinning away with a **flick** of his fingers.*
- glance** A quick look.
*Fish sporting with quick **glance** Show to the Sun their wavy coats.*
- inspection** A formal or official examination.
*On closer **inspection** it looked like a fossil.*
- look** An expression of a feeling or thought by looking.
*His camera does his **looking** for him.*

screening	A showing of a film, video, or television programme. <i>Nowhere is drug screening more common than in the federal criminal justice system.</i>
scrutiny	Critical observation or examination. <i>Every aspect of local government was placed under scrutiny.</i>
search	An act or instance of searching a database or the World Wide Web. <i>The advanced search includes options for sorting by date and specifying the news source.</i>
skim	An act of reading something quickly or superficially. <i>There was a thin skim of oil on the water.</i>
survey	A written report detailing the findings of a building survey. <i>The author provides a survey of the relevant literature.</i>



Usage Examples of "Scan" as a noun

- A brain scan.
- You can't predict anything until he has seen the scan.
- He made a thorough scan of the beach with his binoculars.
- He analyzed the brain scan.
- A quick scan of the sports page.
- You could see the tumor in the CAT scan.



Scan as a Verb

Definitions of "Scan" as a verb

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

- *Look at all parts of (something) carefully in order to detect some feature.*
- *Resolve (a picture) into its elements of light and shade in a prearranged pattern for the purposes of television transmission.*
- *Examine minutely or intensely.*
- *Read metrically.*
- *Obtain data from magnetic tapes.*
- *Examine hastily.*
- *Make a wide, sweeping search of.*
- *(of verse) conform to metrical principles.*

- *Move a light beam over; in electronics, to reproduce an image.*
- *Look quickly but not very thoroughly through (a document or other text) in order to identify relevant information.*
- *Conform to a metrical pattern.*
- *Obtain data from magnetic tapes or other digital sources.*
- *Convert (a document or picture) into digital form for storage or processing on a computer.*
- *Cause (a beam) to traverse across a surface or object.*
- *Cause (a surface, object, or part of the body) to be traversed by a detector or an electromagnetic beam.*
- *Analyse the metre of (a line of verse) by reading with the emphasis on its rhythm or by examining the pattern of feet or syllables.*



Synonyms of "Scan" as a verb (26 Words)

browse through	Shop around; not necessarily buying.
cast one's eye over	Put or send forth.
examine	Question or examine thoroughly and closely. <i>The customs agent examined the baggage.</i>
flick through	Look through a book or other written material.
flip through	Lightly throw to see which side comes up.
glance over	Throw a glance at; take a brief look at.
glance through	Throw a glance at; take a brief look at.
have a look at	Have ownership or possession of.
inspect	Examine (someone or something) to ensure that they reach an official standard. <i>Customs officers came aboard to inspect our documents.</i>
leaf through	Produce leaves, of plants.
look over	Convey by one's expression.
look through	Have faith or confidence in.
pass one's eye over	Eliminate from the body.
rake	Make ground smooth with a rake. <i>His steady gaze raked over the two men.</i>
read	Of a piece of writing convey a specified impression to the reader. <i>For madam read madman.</i>
read quickly	Audition for a stage role by reading parts of a role.
run down	Extend or continue for a certain period of time.
run one's eye over	Be affected by; be subjected to.
<u>scour</u>	Remove dirt or unwanted matter by scouring. <i>She scoured the cooker.</i>
<u>scrutinize</u>	Examine carefully for accuracy with the intent of verification. <i>Customers were warned to scrutinize the small print.</i>
search	Subject to a search. <i>I must search the internet for one of his pictures.</i>
<u>skim</u>	Move or pass swiftly and lightly over the surface of. <i>Bring the stock to the boil then skim it to remove any foam.</i>
study	Apply oneself to study. <i>She bent her head to study the plans.</i>

survey

Make a survey of for statistical purposes.
*He **surveyed** the coasts of New Zealand.*

sweep

Clean by sweeping.
*We knew we had to **sweep** these three home games.*

thumb through

Travel by getting free rides from motorists.



Usage Examples of "Scan" as a verb

- *The surgeon scanned the X-ray.*
- *The beams scanned the night sky.*
- *Their brains are scanned so that researchers can monitor the progress of the disease.*
- *Scan verses.*
- *Well, it doesn't rhyme and certainly doesn't scan.*
- *We scanned the beam over a sector of 120.*
- *We scan the papers for news from the trouble spots.*
- *He raised his binoculars to scan the coast.*
- *Text and pictures can be scanned into the computer.*
- *I scanned through the reference materials.*
- *She scanned the newspaper headlines while waiting for the taxi.*



Associations of "Scan" (30 Words)

binocular	Relating to both eyes. <i>A binocular microscope.</i>
binoculars	An optical instrument with a lens for each eye, used for viewing distant objects.
detective	A person, especially a police officer, whose occupation is to investigate and solve crimes. <i>A detective inspector.</i>
enquire	Have a wish or desire to know something.
examine	Question or examine thoroughly and closely. <i>This forced us to examine every facet of our business.</i>
experiment	To conduct a test or investigation. <i>Not all experimentation is done in laboratories.</i>

fastness	The ability of a material or dye to maintain its colour without fading or washing away. <i>A remote Himalayan mountain fastness.</i>
feasibility	The quality of being doable. <i>The feasibility of screening athletes for cardiac disease.</i>
glimpse	Catch a glimpse of or see briefly. <i>From the window he could catch a glimpse of the lake.</i>
grazing	The act of grazing. <i>Large areas of rough grazing.</i>
instantaneous	Existing or measured at a particular instant. <i>Measurement of the instantaneous velocity.</i>
investigate	Investigate scientifically. <i>When you didn't turn up I thought I'd better come back to investigate.</i>
investigation	The work of inquiring into something thoroughly and systematically. <i>An investigation into fresh allegations of malpractice.</i>
microbe	A minute life form (especially a disease-causing bacterium); the term is not in technical use.
microorganism	Any organism of microscopic size.
microscope	An optical instrument used for viewing very small objects, such as mineral samples or animal or plant cells, typically magnified several hundred times. <i>The invention of the microscope led to the discovery of the cell.</i>
microscopy	The use of the microscope.
nimble	(of the mind) able to think and understand quickly. <i>Nimble fingers.</i>
optical	Of or relating to or resembling the eye. <i>Optical telescopes.</i>
probe	Examine physically with or as if with a probe. <i>What right had he to probe into her personal life.</i>
quick	At a fast rate quickly. <i>Come here quick.</i>
rake	An implement similar to a rake used for other purposes e.g. by a croupier drawing in money at a gaming table. <i>He raked through his pockets and brought out a five pound note.</i>
scrutinize	Examine carefully for accuracy with the intent of verification. <i>He scrutinized his likeness in the mirror.</i>

<u>security</u>	A department responsible for the security of the institution s property and workers. <i>Military security has been stepped up since the recent uprising.</i>
seek	Attempt to find (something). <i>It s his job to seek out new customers.</i>
<u>skim</u>	Remove from the surface. <i>There was a thin skim of oil on the water.</i>
spectroscope	An apparatus for producing and recording spectra for examination.
<u>speedy</u>	Done or occurring quickly. <i>Hoped for a speedy resolution of the problem.</i>
spry	(especially of an old person) active; lively. <i>He continued to look spry and active well into his eighties.</i>
surveillance	Close observation, especially of a suspected spy or criminal. <i>He found himself put under surveillance by British military intelligence.</i>

