

Need another word that means the same as “setbacks”? Find 4 synonyms and 30 related words for “setbacks” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Setbacks” are: black eye, blow, reversal, reverse**

## Setbacks as a Noun

### Definitions of "Setbacks" as a noun

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

- *An unfortunate happening that hinders or impedes; something that is thwarting or frustrating.*



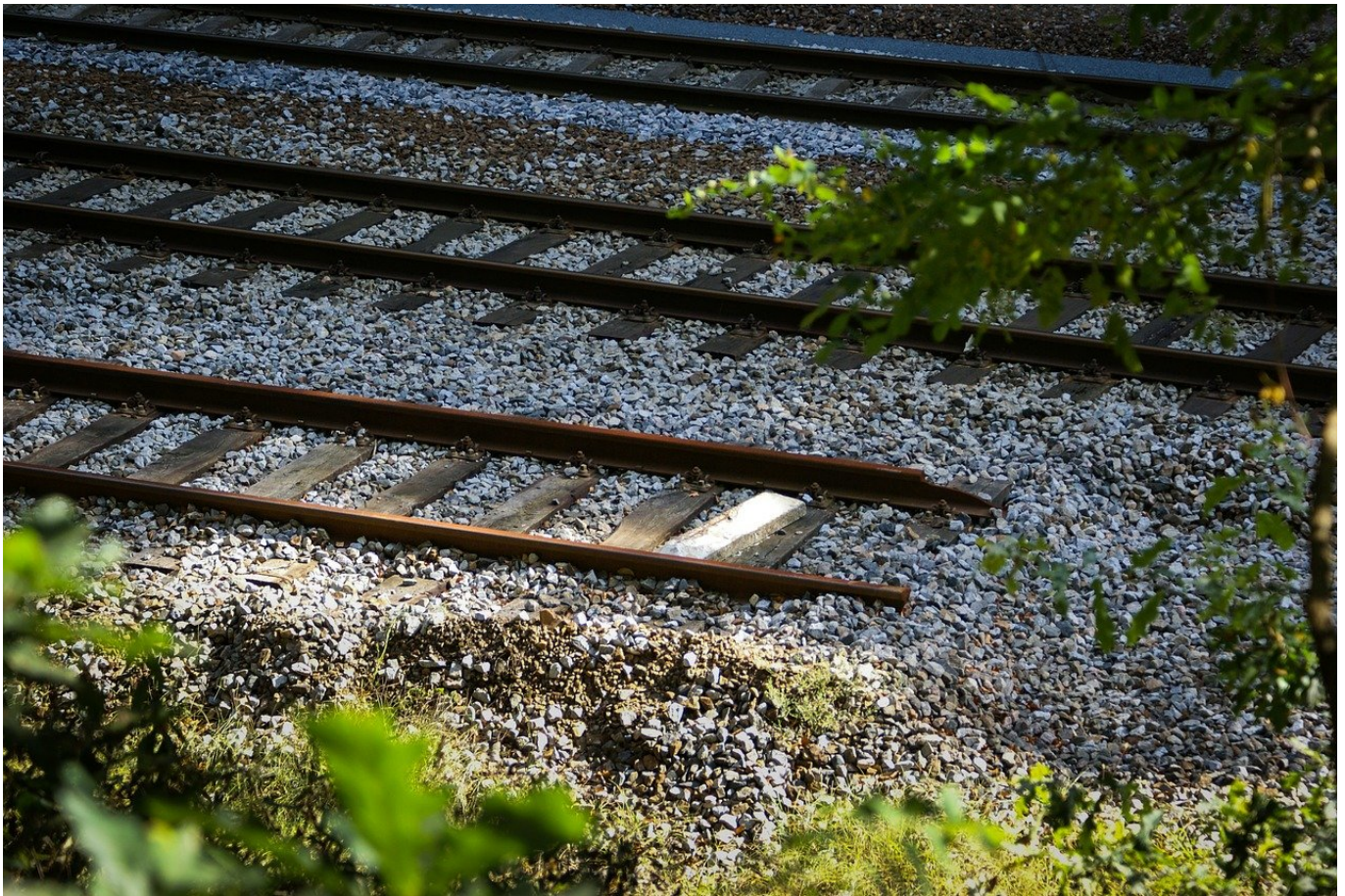
## Synonyms of "Setbacks" as a noun (4 Words)

**black eye** British chemist who identified carbon dioxide and who formulated the concepts of specific heat and latent heat (1728-1799).

**blow** An act of blowing one's nose.  
*A number of **blows** on the whistle.*

**reversal** A major change in attitude or principle or point of view.  
*There was a **reversal** of autonomic function.*

**reverse** The gears by which the motion of a machine can be reversed.  
*A knob to lock the box in four wheel drive for **reverse**.*



## Associations of "Setbacks" (30 Words)

**adversely**

In a way that prevents success or development; harmfully or unfavourably.  
*His self confidence was **adversely** affected for years to come.*

<b>backward</b>	Retarded in intellectual development. <i>The child put her jersey on <b>backward</b>.</i>
<b>backwards</b>	In a manner or order or direction the reverse of normal. <i>Count <b>backwards</b> from twenty to ten.</i>
<b>change</b>	Cause to change make different cause a transformation. <i>The <b>change</b> of government had no impact on the economy.</i>
<u><a href="#">converse</a></u>	Of words so related that one reverses the relation denoted by the other. <i>It will be difficult in these <b>converses</b> not to talk of secular matter.</i>
<b>correction</b>	The act of offering an improvement to replace a mistake; setting right. <i>The <b>correction</b> of his vision with eye glasses.</i>
<b>countermand</b>	A contrary command cancelling or reversing a previous command. <i>I forthwith mounted and went off lest I should receive a <b>countermand</b>.</i>
<b>fail</b>	Become bankrupt or insolvent fail financially and close. <i>Their customer service is a massive <b>fail</b>.</i>
<b>fend</b>	Look after and provide for oneself, without any help from others. <i>She left her 14 year old daughter to <b>fend</b> for herself.</i>
<u><a href="#">flip</a></u>	Glib or flippant. <i>He <b>flipped</b> when he heard that he was accepted into Princeton University.</i>
<b>inverse</b>	Something inverted in sequence or character or effect. <i>A term is in <b>inverse</b> proportion to another term if it increases or decreases as the other decreases or increases.</i>
<b>inversion</b>	A transformation in which each point of a given figure is replaced by another point on the same straight line from a fixed point especially in such a way that the product of the distances of the two points from the centre of inversion is constant. <i>The <b>inversion</b> of the normal domestic arrangement.</i>
<b>invert</b>	Modify (a phrase) by reversing the direction of pitch changes. <i>When forming a question <b>invert</b> the subject and the verb.</i>
<b>locative</b>	A word in the locative case.
<u><a href="#">mistaken</a></u>	Based on or resulting from a misunderstanding or faulty judgement. <i><b>Mistaken</b> identity.</i>
<b>obverse</b>	Of or denoting the obverse of a coin or medal. <i>The <b>obverse</b> fates of the principals.</i>
<b>opposite</b>	Characterized by opposite extremes completely opposed. <i>The two chess kings are set up on squares of <b>opposite</b> colors.</i>
<u><a href="#">overturn</a></u>	Cause to overturn from an upright or normal position. <i>The results <b>overturned</b> previous findings.</i>

<b>problem</b>	(in chess) an arrangement of pieces in which the solver has to achieve a specified result. <i>Our homework consisted of ten <b>problems</b> to solve.</i>
<b>rearrange</b>	Put into a new order or arrangement. <i>She <b>rearranged</b> her skirt as she sat back in her chair.</i>
<b>renovate</b>	Restore (something old, especially a building) to a good state of repair. <i>The old school has been tastefully <b>renovated</b> as a private house.</i>
<b>retrograde</b>	Show retrograde motion. <i>The outer satellites move in <b>retrograde</b> orbits.</i>
<b>reversal</b>	Turning in the opposite direction. <i>There was a <b>reversal</b> of autonomic function.</i>
<b>reverse</b>	The design or inscription on the reverse of a coin or medal. <i>His touchdown came after he had scampered 58 yards on a <b>reverse</b> with McMahon.</i>
<b>revolutionize</b>	Change radically. <i>This fabulous new theory will <b>revolutionize</b> the whole of science.</i>
<b>subvert</b>	Destroy property or hinder normal operations. <i>An attempt to <b>subvert</b> democratic government.</i>
<b>takeover</b>	A change by sale or merger in the controlling interest of a corporation. <i>A company threatened with <b>takeover</b>.</i>
<b>transposition</b>	The act of reversing the order or place of. <i>He wrote a textbook on the electrical effects of <b>transposition</b>.</i>
<b>turnabout</b>	Turning in the opposite direction. <i>The move was a significant <b>turnabout</b> for the company.</i>
<b>turnaround</b>	Act or process of unloading and loading and servicing a vessel or aircraft for a return trip. <i>It was a remarkable <b>turnaround</b> in his fortunes.</i>

