

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

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**The synonyms of “Sever” are: discern, lop, break up, cut off, chop off, lop off, hack off, cleave, hew off, shear off, slice off, split, cut, cut through, rupture, pierce, rip, tear, break off, discontinue, suspend**

## Sever as a Verb

### Definitions of "Sever" as a verb

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

- *Cut off from a whole.*
- *Put an end to (a connection or relationship); break off.*
- *Divide by cutting or slicing, especially suddenly and forcibly.*
- *Set or keep apart.*



## Synonyms of "Sever" as a verb (21 Words)

- break off** Cause the failure or ruin of.
- break up** Destroy the integrity of; usually by force; cause to separate into pieces or fragments.
- chop off** Strike sharply, as in some sports.
- cleave** Come or be in close contact with; stick or hold together and resist separation.  
*The large axe his father used to **cleave** wood for the fire.*
- cut** Form or shape by cutting or incising.  
*The coach **cut** two players from the team.*
- cut off** Cut off the testicles of male animals such as horses.
- cut through** Lessen the strength or flavor of a solution or mixture.

<b>discerp</b>	Cut off from a whole. <i>The Empire was <b>discerped</b> after the war.</i>
<b><u>discontinue</u></b>	Put an end to a state or an activity. <i>Their current top of the range running shoe is being <b>discontinued</b>.</i>
<b>hack off</b>	Be able to manage or manage successfully.
<b>hew off</b>	Strike with an axe; cut down, strike.
<b>lop</b>	Cut off (a branch, limb, or twig) from the main body of a tree. <i>They had <b>lopped</b> some trees without permission.</i>
<b>lop off</b>	Kill intentionally and with premeditation.
<b><u>pierce</u></b>	Cut or make a way through. <i>The cold <b>pierced</b> her bones.</i>
<b>rip</b>	Make a long tear or cut in. <i>The candidate <b>ripped</b> into his opponent mercilessly.</i>
<b><u>rupture</u></b>	Breach or disturb (a harmonious feeling or situation). <i>The impact <b>ruptured</b> both fuel tanks.</i>
<b>shear off</b>	Cut or cut through with shears.
<b>slice off</b>	Make a clean cut through.
<b><u>split</u></b>	Discontinue an association or relation; go different ways. <i>My friend and I <b>split</b> up.</i>
<b>suspend</b>	Prolong (a note of a chord) into a following chord, usually so as to produce a temporary discord. <i>Two officers were <b>suspended</b> from duty pending the outcome of the investigation.</i>
<b>tear</b>	Fill with tears or shed tears. <i>Her eyes were <b>tearing</b>.</i>



## Usage Examples of "Sever" as a verb

- *His head was severed from his body.*
- *Sever a relationship.*
- *The notice itself may be sufficient to sever the joint tenancy.*
- *The head was severed from the body.*



## Associations of "Sever" (30 Words)

- ablation** Surgical removal of a body part or tissue.
- avulsion** A forcible tearing or surgical separation of one body part from another.
- blade** A cutting or thrusting weapon that has a long metal blade and a hilt with a hand guard.  
*Cut cleanly using a sharp **blade**.*
- cleave** (of a cell) divide.  
*The water is going to **cleave** a channel into the rock.*
- crying** Demanding attention.  
*A **crying** shame.*
- cut** The style in which a garment is cut.  
*The mayor proposed extensive **cuts** in the city budget.*

<b>divergent</b>	(of thought) using a variety of premises, especially unfamiliar premises, as bases for inference, and avoiding common limiting assumptions in making deductions. <i>A <b>divergent</b> opinion.</i>
<b>divide</b>	Find how many times (a number) contains another. <i>The Party decided to put down an amendment and thus <b>divide</b> the House.</i>
<b>fissure</b>	Break into fissures or fine cracks. <i>A <b>fissure</b> between philosophy and reality.</i>
<b>fracture</b>	Fracture a bone of. <i>The movement had <b>fractured</b> without his leadership.</i>
<b>incised</b>	Sharply and deeply indented. <i>An <b>incised</b> design.</i>
<b>incision</b>	The cutting of or into body tissues or organs (especially by a surgeon as part of an operation). <i>An abdominal <b>incision</b>.</i>
<b>lacerate</b>	Having edges that are jagged from injury. <i><b>Lacerate</b> leaves.</i>
<b>lachrymal</b>	A small bone forming part of the eye socket. <i>That hysterical then <b>lachrymal</b> then guilt ridden hour.</i>
<b>lachrymose</b>	Showing sorrow. <i>A <b>lachrymose</b> children s classic.</i>
<b>microtome</b>	An instrument for cutting extremely thin sections of material for examination under a microscope.
<b>mince</b>	Minced meat especially beef. <i><b>Mince</b> the garlic.</i>
<b>moiety</b>	A distinct part of a large molecule. <i>The enzyme removes the sulphate <b>moiety</b>.</i>
<b>perforated</b>	(of paper) having one or more rows of small holes so that a part may be torn off easily. <i><b>Perforated</b> cancellation.</i>
<b>piece</b>	Assemble something from parts or pieces. <i>The dinosaur was <b>pieced</b> together from 119 bones.</i>
<b>rend</b>	Tear (something) into pieces. <i>The speculation and confusion which was <b>rending</b> the civilized world.</i>
<b>rip</b>	The act of rending or ripping or splitting something. <i>He seemed to be saying with each <b>rip</b> of a page how dare she enjoy reading books.</i>

<b>rive</b>	Split or tear apart violently. <i>The party was <b>riven</b> by disagreements over Europe.</i>
<b><u>seep</u></b>	Pass gradually or leak through or as if through small openings. <i>Water began to <b>seep</b> through the soles of his boots.</i>
<b>slit</b>	Cut a slit into. <i>He <b>slit</b> open the envelope.</i>
<b><u>split</u></b>	An instance or act of splitting or being split a division. <i>Let s <b>split</b> up and find the other two.</i>
<b>sunder</b>	Split apart. <i>A universe <b>sundered</b> ages ago in a divine war.</i>
<b>sweat</b>	Get rid of something from the body by exuding sweat. <i><b>Sweat</b> the celery and onions with olive oil and seasoning.</i>
<b>tear</b>	The act of tearing. <i>The material wouldn't <b>tear</b>.</i>

