

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

Table Of Contents:

- [Slur as a Noun](#)
- [Definitions of "Slur" as a noun](#)
- [Synonyms of "Slur" as a noun \(14 Words\)](#)
- [Usage Examples of "Slur" as a noun](#)
- [Slur as a Verb](#)
- [Definitions of "Slur" as a verb](#)
- [Synonyms of "Slur" as a verb \(7 Words\)](#)
- [Usage Examples of "Slur" as a verb](#)
- [Associations of "Slur" \(30 Words\)](#)

The synonyms of “Slur” are: blur, dim, mumble, speak unclearly, garble, stumble over, stammer, blot, daub, smear, smirch, smudge, spot, aspersion, insult, slight, slander, libel, misrepresentation, defamation, calumny

Slur as a Noun

Definitions of "Slur" as a noun

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

- *An insinuation or allegation about someone that is likely to insult them or damage their reputation.*
- *(music) a curved line spanning notes that are to be played legato.*
- *A curved line spanning notes that are to be played legato.*
- *An act of speaking indistinctly so that sounds or words run into one another or a tendency to speak in such a way.*
- *A derogatory or insulting term applied to particular group of people.*
- *A disparaging remark.*
- *A curved line used to show that a group of two or more notes are to be sung to one syllable or played or sung legato.*
- *A blemish made by dirt.*



Synonyms of "Slur" as a noun (14 Words)

aspersion	A disparaging remark. <i>In the 19th century any reference to female sexuality was considered a vile aspersion.</i>
blot	A shameful act or quality that damages an otherwise good character or reputation. <i>The only blot on an otherwise clean campaign.</i>
calumny	The making of false and defamatory statements about someone in order to damage their reputation; slander. <i>A bitter struggle marked by calumny and litigation.</i>
daub	Material used to daub walls. <i>She stuck the painting up alongside the daubs made by her children.</i>
<u>defamation</u>	The action of damaging the good reputation of someone; slander or libel. <i>She sued him for defamation.</i>

<u>insult</u>	A deliberately offensive act or something producing the effect of deliberate disrespect. <i>The movement of the bone causes a severe tissue insult.</i>
libel	The action or crime of publishing a libel. <i>He was found guilty of a libel on a Liverpool inspector of taxes.</i>
<u>misrepresentation</u>	A willful perversion of facts. <i>She is seeking damages on allegations of misrepresentation.</i>
<u>slander</u>	An abusive attack on a person's character or good name. <i>He is suing the TV company for slander.</i>
slight	An insult caused by a failure to show someone proper respect or attention. <i>An unintended slight can create grudges.</i>
smear	Slandorous defamation. <i>There was an oil smear on his jacket.</i>
smirch	An act that brings discredit to the person who does it.
smudge	A blemish made by dirt. <i>He had a smudge on his cheek.</i>
<u>spot</u>	A small feature or part of something with a particular quality. <i>Night spot.</i>



Usage Examples of "Slur" as a noun

- *The comments were a slur on staff at the hospital.*
- *A racial slur.*
- *There was a trace of a slur in his voice.*
- *It is difficult for a woman to understand a man's sensitivity to any slur on his virility.*



Slur as a Verb

Definitions of "Slur" as a verb

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

- *Make damaging or insulting insinuations or allegations about.*
- *Speak (words) indistinctly so that the sounds run into one another.*
- *(of words or speech) be slurred.*
- *Pass over (a fact or aspect) so as to conceal or minimize it.*
- *Mark (notes) with a slur.*
- *Utter indistinctly.*
- *Play smoothly or legato.*
- *Speak disparagingly of; e.g., make a racial slur.*

- Perform (a group of two or more notes) *legato*.
- Become vague or indistinct.



Synonyms of "Slur" as a verb (7 Words)

blur

Make unclear indistinct or blurred.

His novels **blur** the boundaries between criticism and fiction.

dim

Make dim by comparison or conceal.

His eyes **dimmed**.

garble

Make false by mutilation or addition; as of a message or story.

The connection was awful and kept **garbling** his voice.

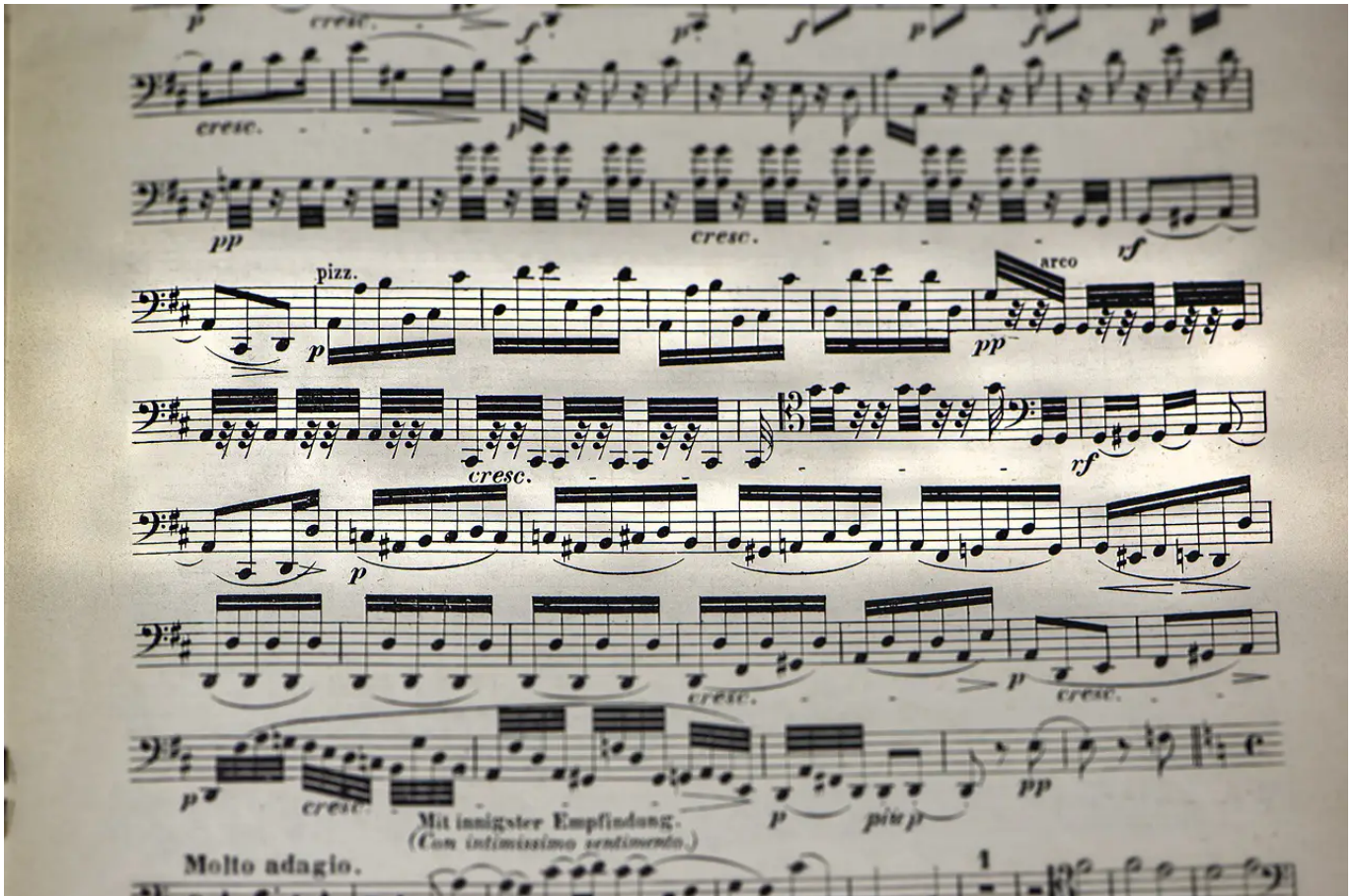
mumble

Say something indistinctly and quietly, making it difficult for others to hear.

The old man had no teeth left and **mumbled** his food.

speak unclearly Use language.

- stammer** Say something with difficulty, repeating the initial letters of words and with sudden involuntary pauses.
*I **stammered** out my history.*
- stumble over** Miss a step and fall or nearly fall.



Usage Examples of "Slur" as a verb

- His speech was beginning to slur.
- I was not trying to slur the integrity of the committee.
- I can play it if I don't slur the notes.
- The pianist slurred the most beautiful passage in the sonata.
- Your comments are slurring your co-workers.
- He was slurring his words like a drunk.
- Essential attributes are being slurred over or ignored.



Associations of "Slur" (30 Words)

ambiguous	Not clear or decided. An ambiguous situation with no frame of reference.
babble	(of flowing water) make a continuous murmuring sound. The babble of a brook.
babbling	Talking rapidly and continuously in a foolish, excited, or incomprehensible way. A gently babbling brook.
besmirch	Make (something) dirty or discoloured. The ground was besmirched with blood.
blot	Dry ink with blotting paper. The only blot on an otherwise clean campaign.
blur	Make unclear indistinct or blurred. It happened so fast it was just a blur .

daub	Material used to daub walls. <i>A daub of paint.</i>
defame	Charge falsely or with malicious intent; attack the good name and reputation of someone. <i>The journalists have defamed me.</i>
denigrate	Criticize unfairly; disparage. <i>Doom and gloom merchants who denigrate their own country.</i>
equivocal	Open to more than one interpretation; ambiguous. <i>He has always been equivocal about the meaning of his lyrics.</i>
equivocate	Be deliberately ambiguous or unclear in order to mislead or withhold information. <i>The government have equivocated too often in the past.</i>
evasive	Avoiding or escaping from difficulty or danger especially enemy fire. <i>Pilots are taught to take evasive action.</i>
gibber	Chatter inarticulately; of monkeys. <i>They shrieked and gibbered as flames surrounded them.</i>
incoherent	Not logical or internally consistent. <i>He was incoherent with sentiment.</i>
lipstick	Apply lipstick to. <i>Her lipstick was smudged.</i>
mumble	Say something indistinctly and quietly, making it difficult for others to hear. <i>The old man had no teeth left and mumbled his food.</i>
murmur	A recurring sound heard in the heart through a stethoscope that is usually a sign of disease or damage. <i>She murmured softly to the baby in her arms.</i>
mutter	Make complaining remarks or noises under one's breath. <i>Back benchers were muttering about the next reshuffle.</i>
palter	Be deliberately ambiguous or unclear in order to mislead or withhold information. <i>This great work should not be paltered with.</i>
prattle	Idle or foolish and irrelevant talk. <i>Do you intend to keep up this childish prattle.</i>
prevaricate	Be deliberately ambiguous or unclear in order to mislead or withhold information. <i>He seemed to prevaricate when journalists asked pointed questions.</i>
smear	Stain by smearing or daubing with a dirty substance. <i>Someone was trying to smear her by faking letters.</i>

smirch	Make (something) dirty; soil. <i>I am not accustomed to having my honour smirched.</i>
smudge	Make a smudge on soil by smudging. <i>He had a smudge on his cheek.</i>
<u>spot</u>	Mark with a spot or spots so as to allow easy recognition. <i>The men were spotted by police.</i>
stain	Produce or leave stains. <i>Red powder paint can stain.</i>
sully	Make dirty. <i>Sully someone's reputation.</i>
<u>tint</u>	Dye someone's hair with a tint. <i>The sky was taking on an apricot tint.</i>
<u>unclear</u>	Not easy to see, hear, or understand. <i>Users are still unclear about what middleware does.</i>
<u>vague</u>	Of uncertain, indefinite, or unclear character or meaning. <i>Many patients suffer vague symptoms.</i>