

Need another word that means the same as “soil”? Find 26 synonyms and 30 related words for “soil” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Soil” are: ground, land, dirt, filth, grease, grime, grunge, stain, territory, earth, loam, sod, clay, turf, topsoil, mould, humus, marl, dust, space, terra firma, begrime, bemire, colly, dirty

Soil as a Noun

Definitions of "Soil" as a noun

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

- *Material in the top layer of the surface of the earth in which plants can grow (especially with reference to its quality or use).*
- *The geographical area under the jurisdiction of a sovereign state.*
- *The upper layer of earth in which plants grow, a black or dark brown material typically consisting of a mixture of organic remains, clay, and rock particles.*
- *The territory of a particular nation.*
- *The state of being covered with unclean things.*
- *The part of the earth's surface consisting of humus and disintegrated rock.*



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

- clay** A hardened clay surface for a tennis court.
*This lifeless **clay**.*
- dirt** Disgraceful gossip about the private lives of other people.
*A **dirt** road.*
- dust** An act of dusting.
*Scatter my **dust** and ashes.*
- earth** The solid part of the earth's surface.
*The diversity of life on **earth**.*
- filth** The state of being covered with unclean things.
*You and all the others like you are **filth**.*
- grease** A thick fatty oil (especially one used to lubricate machinery).
*Axle **grease**.*
- grime** Dirt ingrained on the surface of something.
*The windows were thick with **grime**.*

ground	Relating to actions or activities taking place on the ground rather than the air. <i>They called for a retrial on the grounds of the new evidence.</i>
grunge	The fashion associated with grunge rock including loose layered clothing and ripped jeans.
humus	Partially decomposed organic matter; the organic component of soil.
land	Living or travelling on land rather than in water or the air. <i>The land had never been plowed.</i>
loam	A soil with roughly equal proportions of sand, silt, and clay.
marl	A loose and crumbling earthy deposit consisting mainly of calcite or dolomite; used as a fertilizer for soils deficient in lime. <i>The road cuttings show red and green marls.</i>
mould	A pudding or savoury mousse made in a mould. <i>All the moulds masters or originals had been kept for reference.</i>
sod	Surface layer of ground containing a mat of grass and grass roots. <i>Underneath the sod was a layer of humus.</i>
space	The dimensions of height, depth, and width within which all things exist and move. <i>A teenager needing her own space.</i>
stain	A coloured patch or dirty mark that is difficult to remove. <i>He regarded his time in gaol as a stain on his character.</i>
terra firma	The solid part of the earth's surface.
<u>territory</u>	A region marked off for administrative or other purposes. <i>The way she felt now she was in unknown territory.</i>
topsoil	The top layer of soil. <i>Dry topsoils are typical in the western Corn Belt.</i>
<u>turf</u>	A piece of turf cut from the ground. <i>Each turf was cut and stacked.</i>



Usage Examples of "Soil" as a noun

- *Good agricultural soil.*
- *Blueberries need very acid soil.*
- *American troops were stationed on Japanese soil.*
- *Rotary cultivators are ideal, particularly on difficult soils.*
- *The stationing of US troops on Japanese soil.*



Soil as a Verb

Definitions of "Soil" as a verb

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

- *Make soiled, filthy, or dirty.*



Synonyms of "Soil" as a verb (5 Words)

- begrime** Blacken with ingrained dirt.
*The smoke of industry **begrimes** buildings.*
- bemire** Make soiled, filthy, or dirty.
*His shoes were **bemired** from travelling on foot.*
- colly** Make soiled, filthy, or dirty.
- grime** Blacken or make dirty with grime.
*The windows were **grimed** like a coal miner's goggles.*



Usage Examples of "Soil" as a verb

- *Don't soil your clothes when you play outside!*



Associations of "Soil" (30 Words)

- accumulated** Periodically accumulated over time.
- adobe** The clay from which adobe bricks are made.
Adobe houses.
- bedrock** Solid unweathered rock lying beneath surface deposits of soil.
*Honesty is the **bedrock** of a good relationship.*
- compost** Convert to compost.
*Sweet peppers can be grown singly in pots of potting **compost**.*
- deposition** The act of putting something somewhere.
*A commissioner to take **depositions** from witnesses.*
- desertification** The gradual transformation of habitable land into desert; is usually caused by climate change or by destructive use of the land.
*Nearly one fifth of the world s land is threatened with **desertification**.*

erode	(of soil, rock, or land) be gradually worn away by natural agents. <i>The cliffs on this coast have been eroded by the sea.</i>
erosion	Erosion by chemical action. <i>The problem of soil erosion.</i>
fertilization	The action or process of fertilizing an egg or a female animal or plant, involving the fusion of male and female gametes to form a zygote.
fluvial	Of or found in a river. <i>Fluvial deposits.</i>
gradually	In a gradual way; slowly; by degrees. <i>The snake moved gradually toward its victim.</i>
hill	Form into a hill. <i>A hill of ruffs looked at from a distance on a sunny day was a very pleasing spectacle.</i>
hummock	A hillock or knoll.
humus	Partially decomposed organic matter; the organic component of soil.
layer	Propagate a plant as a layer. <i>In an ovenproof dish layer the potato and courgette slices.</i>
loam	A fertile soil of clay and sand containing humus.
manure	Apply manure to land. <i>Plenty of fully rotted horse manure can be dug in this fall.</i>
mound	The position on a baseball team of the player who throws the ball for a batter to try to hit. <i>The bushes were little more than vague mounds beneath the snow.</i>
mud	Soil with mud muck or mire. <i>The two sides took over the local media to throw mud at each other.</i>
peat	A cut piece of peat. <i>He reached forward to add a couple of peats to the fire.</i>
pleistocene	From two million to 11 thousand years ago; extensive glaciation of the northern hemisphere; the time of human evolution.
quicksand	A pit filled with loose wet sand into which objects are sucked down. <i>John found himself sinking fast in financial quicksand.</i>
riverbank	The bank of a river.
riverbed	A channel occupied (or formerly occupied) by a river.
sandy	Resembling or containing or abounding in sand or growing in sandy areas. <i>Pale eyes and receding sandy hair.</i>
sediment	Deposit something as a sediment. <i>The DNA was sedimented by centrifugation.</i>

sedimentation The process of settling or being deposited as a sediment.
***Sedimentation** occurs when the droplets sink to the bottom.*

silt Become choked with silt.
*The soil ends up **silting** up the stream.*

sludge The precipitate produced by sewage treatment.
*A **sludge** green.*

topsoil The top layer of soil.
*Keep all the **topsoil** you remove you re bound to find a use for it later.*

