

Need another word that means the same as “spare”? Find 53 synonyms and 30 related words for “spare” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Spare” are: free, trim, bare, plain, unembellished, unornamented, excess, extra, redundant, supererogatory, superfluous, supernumerary, surplus, scanty, supplementary, additional, second, another, alternative, substitute, fresh, auxiliary, ancillary, surplus to requirements, excessive, in excess, going begging, unbooked, unallocated, unchartered, unoccupied, untaken, empty, vacant, own, slender, lean, save, dispense with, give up, part with, afford, do without, manage without, get along without, give, let someone have, provide, not harm, leave uninjured, leave unhurt, fifth wheel, spare part

Spare as a Noun

Definitions of "Spare" as a noun

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

- *An item kept in case another item of the same type is lost, broken, or worn out.*

- *A score in tenpins; knocking down all ten after rolling two balls.*
- *An extra component of a machine or other apparatus.*
- *(in tenpin bowling) an act of knocking down all the pins with two balls.*
- *An extra car wheel and tire for a four-wheel vehicle.*



Synonyms of "Spare" as a noun (2 Words)

fifth wheel One part in five equal parts.

spare part An extra car wheel and tire for a four-wheel vehicle.



Usage Examples of "Spare" as a noun

- *The wheel's broken and it would be suicide to go on without a spare.*



Spare as a Verb

Definitions of "Spare" as a verb

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

- *Try to ensure or satisfy one's own comfort or needs.*
- *Refrain from harming.*
- *Use frugally or carefully.*
- *Give (something of which one has enough) to (someone).*
- *Be frugal.*
- *Make free or available.*
- *Give up what is not strictly needed.*
- *Refrain from killing, injuring, or distressing.*
- *Save or relieve from an experience or action.*

- *Refrain from inflicting (something unpleasant) on (someone).*



Synonyms of "Spare" as a verb (14 Words)

afford	Afford access to. <i>Only aristocrats could afford to stoop to such practices.</i>
dispense with	Administer or bestow, as in small portions.
do without	Be sufficient; be adequate, either in quality or quantity.
get along without	Acquire as a result of some effort or action.
give	Give or convey physically. <i>Some solvents give off toxic fumes.</i>
give up	Endure the loss of.
leave unhurt	Leave behind unintentionally.
leave uninjured	Be survived by after one's death.
let someone have	Cause to move; cause to be in a certain position or condition.

manage without	Handle effectively.
not harm	Cause or do harm to.
part with	Go one's own way; move apart.
provide	Make a possibility or provide opportunity for permit to be attainable or cause to remain. <i>He provides for his large family by working three jobs.</i>
save	Save from ruin destruction or harm. <i>An efficient dishwasher would save them one year and three months at the sink.</i>



Usage Examples of "Spare" as a verb

- *He asked if they could spare one of their horses to speed his journey.*
- *I'll spare you from having to apologize formally.*
- *But some will spend, and some will spare.*
- *The country had until now been spared the violence occurring elsewhere.*
- *I'm sure you can spare me a moment.*

- *She asked if I could spare her a bob or two.*
- *There was no way the men would spare her.*
- *In her concern to help others, she has never spared herself.*



Spare as an Adjective

Definitions of "Spare" as an adjective

According to the [Oxford Dictionary of English](#), "spare" as an adjective can have the following definitions:

- *Thin and fit.*
- *Not taken up by scheduled activities.*
- *Not currently in use or occupied.*
- *With no excess fat; thin.*
- *(of time) not taken up by one's usual duties or activities; available for leisure.*

- *Additional to what is required for ordinary use.*
- *Lacking in magnitude or quantity.*
- *Elegantly simple.*
- *Lacking in amplitude or quantity.*
- *More than is needed, desired, or required.*
- *Kept in reserve especially for emergency use.*
- *Lacking embellishment or ornamentation.*



Synonyms of "Spare" as an adjective (37 Words)

additional

Further or added.
*We require **additional** information.*

alternative

Relating to activities that depart from or challenge traditional norms.
*The facts fit two **alternative** scenarios.*

<u>ancillary</u>	In addition to something else, but not as important. <i>An ancillary pump.</i>
another	Any of various alternatives; some other. <i>Put it off to another or some other day.</i>
auxiliary	Furnishing added support. <i>The ship has an auxiliary power source.</i>
<u>bare</u>	Just barely adequate or within a lower limit. <i>The interior was bare of plaster.</i>
<u>empty</u>	Devoid of significance or force. <i>The room was empty of furniture.</i>
<u>excess</u>	Exceeding a prescribed or desirable amount. <i>The full excess fare had to be paid.</i>
excessive	Beyond normal limits. <i>He was drinking excessive amounts of brandy.</i>
extra	Excessive or extravagant. <i>Extra ribs as well as other supernumerary internal parts.</i>
free	Not held in servitude. <i>He tried to kick his legs free.</i>
fresh	(of water) not salty. <i>They are feeling fresh after a good night's sleep.</i>
going begging	In full operation.
in excess	Currently fashionable.
<u>lean</u>	Lacking in mineral content or combustible material. <i>A lean year.</i>
<u>own</u>	Done or produced by and for the person mentioned. <i>The style had its own charm.</i>
plain	Lacking patterns especially in color. <i>It is plain that he is no reactionary.</i>
redundant	More than is needed, desired, or required. <i>This redundant brewery has been converted into a library.</i>
scanty	Lacking in magnitude or quantity. <i>A scanty harvest.</i>
<u>second</u>	Coming next after the first in position in space or time or degree or magnitude. <i>The second violins.</i>
<u>slender</u>	Being of delicate or slender build. <i>A slender majority of four.</i>

<u>substitute</u>	Serving or used in place of another. Substitute coffee.
supererogatory	More than is needed, desired, or required. <i>It was supererogatory of her to gloat.</i>
superfluous	More than is needed, desired, or required. <i>The purchaser should avoid asking for superfluous information.</i>
supernumerary	Present in excess of the normal or requisite number. <i>Extra ribs as well as other supernumerary internal parts.</i>
supplementary	Functioning in a supporting capacity. <i>The programme offers supplementary information about the news.</i>
<u>surplus</u>	More than what is needed or used; excess. Surplus cheese distributed to the needy.
surplus to requirements	More than is needed, desired, or required.
trim	Neat and smart in appearance. <i>She has a trim athletic figure.</i>
unallocated	(of resources or duties) not yet allocated. <i>2 8 m of contingency funds remained unallocated.</i>
unbooked	Not reserved in advance. <i>There are seven seats left unbooked.</i>
unchartered	(of an area of land or sea) not mapped or surveyed. <i>These are unchartered waters.</i>
unembellished	Not embellished or decorated. Unembellished white walls.
unoccupied	Not leased to or occupied by a tenant. Unoccupied areas of France.
unornamented	Not having any decoration. <i>Functional architecture featuring stark unornamented concrete.</i>
untaken	Not taken by force; not captured. <i>Hard decisions have been left untaken.</i>
<u>vacant</u>	Without an occupant or incumbent. Vacant stare.



Usage Examples of "Spare" as an adjective

- *A spare, bearded figure.*
- *Few people had spare cash for inessentials.*
- *Her clothes are smart and spare in style.*
- *A spare seat.*
- *He tried to write poetry in his spare time.*
- *A spare diet.*
- *The spare figure of a marathon runner.*
- *Spare parts.*
- *Spare time on my hands.*
- *Sleeping in the spare room.*
- *A spare tire.*



Associations of "Spare" (30 Words)

addition	The arithmetic operation of summing; calculating the sum of two or more numbers. <i>There was an addition to property taxes this year.</i>
additional	Further or added. <i>We require additional information.</i>
additionally	As an extra factor or circumstance. <i>He serves additionally as the CEO.</i>
dispensable	Able to be replaced or done without; superfluous. <i>Dispensable items of personal property.</i>
except	Take exception to. <i>Five classes of advertisement are excepted from control.</i>
<u>excess</u>	Excessive indulgence. <i>Trim any excess fat off the meat.</i>

extra	Excessive or extravagant. <i>Need extra help.</i>
extraneous	Of external origin. <i>One is obliged to wade through many pages of extraneous material.</i>
glut	Supply with an excess of. <i>There is a glut of cars on the market.</i>
needless	(of something undesirable) not necessary because avoidable. <i>I deplore needless waste.</i>
oversupply	Supply with an excess of. <i>An oversupply of teachers.</i>
padding	Soft material such as foam or cloth used to pad or stuff something. <i>Avoid waffle or padding in your essay.</i>
<u>plethora</u>	An excess of a bodily fluid, particularly blood. <i>Allen won a plethora of medals during his illustrious career.</i>
prolix	Tediously prolonged or tending to speak or write at great length. <i>He found the narrative too prolix and discursive.</i>
redundance	The attribute of being superfluous and unneeded.
redundant	Not or no longer needed or useful; superfluous. <i>At the risk of being redundant I return to my original proposition.</i>
subsidiary	A company that is completely controlled by another company. <i>All the firm's subsidiary companies have to operate under broad general guidelines.</i>
<u>summation</u>	A summary. <i>The summation of numbers of small pieces of evidence.</i>
superabundance	A quantity that is more than what is appropriate.
supererogatory	More than is needed, desired, or required. <i>It was supererogatory of her to gloat.</i>
superfluity	Extreme excess. <i>A superfluity of unoccupied time.</i>
superfluous	Unnecessary, especially through being more than enough. <i>The purchaser should avoid asking for superfluous information.</i>
supernumerary	A supernumerary person or thing. <i>Supernumerary ornamentation.</i>
supplementary	A supplementary person or thing. <i>The programme offers supplementary information about the news.</i>
surfeit	Supply or feed to surfeit. <i>I am surfeited with shopping.</i>

- surplus** An amount of something left over when requirements have been met; an excess of production or supply.
*She had picked up her boots in an army **surplus** store.*
- unessential** Not basic or fundamental.
*A train has broken down resulting in a call to postpone all **unessential** travel.*
- unnecessary** Unnecessary things.
*Some people feel that holiday insurance is **unnecessary**.*
- unoccupied** Not leased to or occupied by a tenant.
*An **unoccupied** telephone booth.*
- verbiage** Excessively lengthy or technical speech or writing.
*The basic idea here despite all the **verbiage** is simple.*

