

Need another word that means the same as “spectre”? Find 18 synonyms for “spectre” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Spectre” are: ghost, shade, specter, spook, wraith, apparition, fantasm, phantasm, phantasma, phantom, spirit, shadow, presence, illusion, threat, menace, cloud, vision**

## Spectre as a Noun

### Definitions of "Spectre" as a noun

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

- *Something widely feared as a possible unpleasant or dangerous occurrence.*
- *A mental representation of some haunting experience.*
- *A ghostly appearing figure.*
- *A ghost.*



## Synonyms of "Spectre" as a noun (18 Words)

- apparition** A remarkable or unexpected appearance of someone or something.  
*A headless **apparition**.*
- cloud** A visible mass of water or ice particles suspended at a considerable altitude.  
*A black **cloud** hung over their lives.*
- fantasm** A ghostly appearing figure.  
An apparition of a dead person which is believed to appear or become manifest to the living, typically as a nebulous image.  
*He looked like he had seen a **ghost**.*
- illusion** An instance of a wrong or misinterpreted perception of a sensory experience.  
*Stripes embellish the surface to create the **illusion** of various wood grain textures.*
- menace** Something that is a source of danger.  
*A new initiative aimed at beating the **menace** of drugs.*
- phantasm** An illusion, apparition, or ghost.  
*The cart seemed to glide like a terrible **phantasm**.*
- phantasma** Something existing in perception only.
- phantom** A figment of the imagination.  
*The women suffered from **phantom** pain that no physician could ever find.*

<b><u>presence</u></b>	A group of people, especially soldiers or police, stationed in a particular place. <i>My <b>presence</b> in the flat made her happy.</i>
<b><u>shade</u></b>	A lampshade. <i>This area will be in <b>shade</b> for much of the day.</i>
<b><u>shadow</u></b>	Refuge from danger or observation. <i>A <b>shadow</b> crossed Maria's face.</i>
<b>specter</b>	A mental representation of some haunting experience. <i>It aroused <b>specters</b> from his past.</i>
<b>spirit</b>	The real meaning or the intention behind something as opposed to its strict verbal interpretation. <i>I hope the team will build on this <b>spirit</b> of confidence.</i>
<b>threat</b>	A person or thing likely to cause damage or danger. <i>Members of her family have received death <b>threats</b>.</i>
<b>vision</b>	The images seen on a television screen. <i>She had defective <b>vision</b>.</i>
<b><u>wraith</u></b>	A wisp or faint trace of something. <i>A sea breeze was sending a grey <b>wraith</b> of smoke up the slopes.</i>



## Usage Examples of "Spectre" as a noun

- *The spectre of nuclear holocaust.*
- *A dread of spectres and witches affected every aspect of daily life.*

