

Need another word that means the same as “starve”? Find 8 synonyms and 30 related words for “starve” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Starve” are: famish, crave, hunger, lust, thirst, empty, hollow, faint from hunger

Starve as a Verb

Definitions of "Starve" as a verb

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

- *Have a craving, appetite, or great desire for.*
- *Deprive of something necessary.*
- *Suffer or die or cause to suffer or die from hunger.*
- *Force someone out of (a place) or into (a specified state) by starvation.*
- *Be freezing cold.*
- *Deprive of food.*
- *Feel very hungry.*
- *Deprive of a necessity and cause suffering.*
- *Be hungry; go without food.*
- *Die of food deprivation.*



Synonyms of "Starve" as a verb (8 Words)

crave

Ask for.
*I must **crave** your indulgence.*

empty

Leave behind empty move out of.
*The pub suddenly seemed to **empty**.*

**faint from
hunger**

Pass out from weakness, physical or emotional distress due to a loss of blood supply to the brain.

famish

Be extremely hungry.
*They had **famished** the city into surrender.*

hollow

Make a hollow in.
*A tunnel was **hollowed** out in a mountain range.*

hunger

Feel or suffer hunger.
*He **hungered** for a sense of self worth.*

thirst

Feel the need to drink.
*An opponent **thirsting** for revenge.*



Usage Examples of "Starve" as a verb

- *She left her animals to starve.*
- *The Royalists were starved out after eleven days.*
- *The engine was starved of fuel.*
- *I don't know about you, but I'm starving.*
- *For a while she had considered starving herself.*
- *The political prisoners starved to death.*
- *Seven million starved to death.*
- *The arts are being starved of funds.*
- *German U-boats hoping to starve Britain into submission.*
- *They starved the prisoners.*
- *Pull down that window for we are perfectly starving here.*



Associations of "Starve" (30 Words)

beg	Acquire food or money from someone by begging. <i>I beg you to stop.</i>
covet	Wish, long, or crave for (something, especially the property of another person). <i>She covets her sister s house.</i>
crave	Feel a powerful desire for (something). <i>I must crave your indulgence.</i>
craving	An intense desire for some particular thing. <i>A craving for chocolate.</i>
dearth	An acute insufficiency. <i>There is a dearth of evidence.</i>
deficit	The property of being an amount by which something is less than expected or required. <i>New blood vessels bud out from the already dilated vascular bed to make up the nutritional deficit.</i>
drought	A prolonged shortage. <i>Farmers most affected by the drought hope that there may yet be sufficient rain early in the growing season.</i>
famine	An acute insufficiency. <i>Drought resulted in famine throughout the region.</i>
famish	Be extremely hungry. <i>They had famished the city into surrender.</i>
hanker	Feel a strong desire for or to do something. <i>He hankered after a lost golden age.</i>
hunger	Feel or suffer hunger. <i>When he had fasted forty days and forty nights he afterwards hungered.</i>
indigence	A state of extreme poverty; destitution. <i>He did valuable work towards the relief of indigence.</i>
insufficiency	Lack of an adequate quantity or number. <i>Renal insufficiency.</i>
lack	Be without or deficient in. <i>This soup lacks salt.</i>

malnutrition	Lack of proper nutrition, caused by not having enough to eat, not eating enough of the right things, or being unable to use the food that one does eat. <i>Nearly 67 of the country s population suffers from malnutrition.</i>
mealtime	The time at which a meal is eaten. <i>Family life seemed to revolve around mealtimes.</i>
need	Have or feel a need for. <i>I won t detain you for longer than I need.</i>
needy	Needy people collectively. <i>Those from needy backgrounds.</i>
pauperism	A state of extreme poverty or destitution.
penury	The state of being very poor; extreme poverty. <i>He couldn t face another year of penury.</i>
ravening	Living by preying on other animals especially by catching living prey. <i>Ravening creditors.</i>
scarcity	The state of being scarce or in short supply; shortage. <i>A time of scarcity.</i>
shortage	The property of being an amount by which something is less than expected or required. <i>A shortage of hard cash.</i>
shortfall	A deficit of something required or expected. <i>They are facing an expected 10 billion shortfall in revenue.</i>
slake	Cause to heat and crumble by treatment with water. <i>Restaurants worked to slake the Italian obsession with food.</i>
thirst	A feeling of needing or wanting to drink something. <i>He is oblivious to all the thirst around him.</i>
unquenchable	Not able to be quenched. <i>His enthusiasm was unquenchable.</i>
want	Hunt or look for want for a particular reason. <i>For want of a nail the shoe was lost.</i>
yearn	Be filled with compassion or warm feeling. <i>No fellow spirit yearned towards her.</i>
yearning	Involving or expressing yearning. <i>A yearning hope.</i>

