

Need another word that means the same as “stimulus”? Find 13 synonyms and 30 related words for “stimulus” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Stimulus” are: input, stimulant, stimulation, spur, encouragement, impetus, boost, prompt, prod, incentive, inducement, inspiration, fillip**

## Stimulus as a Noun

### Definitions of "Stimulus" as a noun

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

- *A thing that arouses activity or energy in someone or something; a spur or incentive.*
- *An interesting and exciting quality.*
- *A thing or event that evokes a specific functional reaction in an organ or tissue.*
- *Any stimulating information or event; acts to arouse action.*



## Synonyms of "Stimulus" as a noun (13 Words)

- boost** A source of help or encouragement leading to increase or improvement.  
*The cut in interest rates will give a further **boost** to the economy.*
- encouragement** The act of giving hope or support to someone.  
*Incentives and **encouragement** to play sports.*
- fillip** A movement made by bending the last joint of the finger against the thumb and suddenly releasing it; a flick of the finger.  
*The halving of car tax would provide a **fillip** to sales.*
- impetus** The force or energy with which a body moves.  
*The ending of the Cold War gave new **impetus** to idealism.*
- incentive** A thing that motivates or encourages someone to do something.  
*Give farmers an **incentive** to improve their land.*
- inducement** A bribe.  
*It is claimed that she was offered an **inducement** to plead guilty.*

<b>input</b>	Any stimulating information or event; acts to arouse action. <i>The signal being fed through the main <b>input</b>.</i>
<b>inspiration</b>	Arousal of the mind to special unusual activity or creativity. <i>A rare moment of <b>inspiration</b> in an otherwise dull display.</i>
<b>prompt</b>	The time limit for the payment of an account stated on a prompt note. <i>With barely a <b>prompt</b> Barbara talked on.</i>
<b>spur</b>	A short branch road or railway line. <i>Wars act as a <b>spur</b> to practical invention.</i>
<b>stimulant</b>	A substance that raises levels of physiological or nervous activity in the body. <i>A scalp <b>stimulant</b>.</i>
<b>stimulation</b>	Mutual sexual fondling prior to sexual intercourse. <i>Lack of intellectual <b>stimulation</b>.</i>



## Usage Examples of "Stimulus" as a noun

- *Areas of the brain which respond to auditory stimuli.*



- *She loved the stimulus of the job.*
- *If the tax were abolished, it would act as a stimulus to exports.*



## Associations of "Stimulus" (30 Words)

- allure** The quality of being powerfully and mysteriously attractive or fascinating.  
*People for whom gold holds no **allure**.*
- auditory** Of or relating to the process of hearing.  
***Auditory** processing.*
- caprice** A sudden and unaccountable change of mood or behaviour.  
*A land where men were ruled by law and not by **caprice**.*
- capricious** Changing according to no discernible rules; unpredictable.  
*A **capricious** and often brutal administration.*
- conditioned** Established by conditioning or learning.  
*A **conditioned** response.*

<b>exciting</b>	Causing great enthusiasm and eagerness. <i>An <b>exciting</b> account of her trip.</i>
<b>fraudulent</b>	Intended to deceive. <i><b>Fraudulent</b> share dealing.</i>
<b>impel</b>	Drive forward; propel. <i>A lack of equality <b>impelled</b> the oppressed to fight.</i>
<b>impetus</b>	The act of applying force suddenly. <i>The ending of the Cold War gave new <b>impetus</b> to idealism.</i>
<b>impulse</b>	A change of momentum produced by an impulse equivalent to the average value of the force multiplied by the time during which it acts. <i>He bought it on an <b>impulse</b>.</i>
<b>incentive</b>	A positive motivational influence. <i>Give farmers an <b>incentive</b> to improve their land.</i>
<b>inducement</b>	A bribe. <i>Companies were prepared to build only in return for massive <b>inducements</b>.</i>
<b>inspiring</b>	Having the effect of inspiring someone. <i>He was an <b>inspiring</b> teacher.</i>
<b>invigorating</b>	Making one feel strong, healthy, and full of energy. <i>A brisk <b>invigorating</b> walk.</i>
<b>irritant</b>	A substance that causes slight inflammation or other discomfort to the body. <i>A powerful skin <b>irritant</b>.</i>
<b>kleptomania</b>	A recurrent urge to steal, typically without regard for need or profit.
<b>lure</b>	Something used to lure fish or other animals into danger so they can be trapped or killed. <i>He <b>lured</b> me into temptation.</i>
<b>motivation</b>	A reason or reasons for acting or behaving in a particular way. <i>We did not understand his <b>motivation</b>.</i>
<b>motivator</b>	Something that provides a reason or stimulus to do something. <i>She was a great <b>motivator</b> of people and very energetic.</i>
<b>motive</b>	Impelling to action- Arthur Pap. <i>A <b>motive</b> force.</i>
<b>provocation</b>	Action or speech that makes someone angry, especially deliberately. <i>He burst into tears at the slightest <b>provocation</b>.</i>
<b>pyromaniac</b>	A person with a mania for setting things on fire. <i>A ten year old <b>pyromaniac</b>.</i>
<b>quickness</b>	Skillful performance or ability without difficulty. <i>His <b>quickness</b> of mind gained him the respect of all parties.</i>

<b>reflex</b>	In reflexology a response in a part of the body to stimulation of a corresponding point on the feet hands or head. <i>The <b>reflex</b> from the window lit his face.</i>
<b>rousing</b>	Capable of arousing enthusiasm or excitement. <i>A <b>rousing</b> speech.</i>
<b>stimulating</b>	Rousing or quickening activity or the senses. <i>A rich and <b>stimulating</b> working environment.</i>
<b>thrilling</b>	Causing excitement and pleasure; exhilarating. <i>A <b>thrilling</b> wind blew off the frozen lake.</i>
<b>titillate</b>	Arouse (someone) to interest or mild excitement, especially through sexually suggestive images or words. <i>The press are paid to <b>titillate</b> the public.</i>
<b>urge</b>	Recommend (something) strongly. <i>I <b>urge</b> caution in interpreting these results.</i>
<b>whim</b>	A sudden desire. <i>She bought it on a <b>whim</b>.</i>

