

Need another word that means the same as “symbol”? Find 38 synonyms and 30 related words for “symbol” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Symbol” are: symbolisation, symbolization, sign, character, mark, letter, hieroglyph, ideogram, logo, emblem, badge, stamp, trademark, crest, insignia, coat of arms, seal, figure, device, rune, logotype, logogram, monogram, hallmark, tag, flag, motto, token, motif, colophon, representation, image, type, represent, be a symbol of, stand for, be a sign of, exemplify**

## Symbol as a Noun

### Definitions of "Symbol" as a noun

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

- *An arbitrary sign (written or printed) that has acquired a conventional significance.*
- *A thing that represents or stands for something else, especially a material object representing something abstract.*
- *A shape or sign used to represent something such as an organization, e.g. a red cross or a Star of David.*
- *A mark or character used as a conventional representation of an object, function, or process, e.g. the letter or letters standing for a chemical element or a character in musical notation.*
- *Something visible that by association or convention represents something else that is invisible.*



## Synonyms of "Symbol" as a noun (33 Words)

- badge** A small piece of metal, plastic, or cloth bearing a design or words, typically worn to identify a person or to indicate membership of an organization or support for a cause.  
*Philanthropy was regarded as a **badge** of social esteem.*
- character** A characteristic property that defines the apparent individual nature of something.  
*To what do I owe this attack on my **character**.*
- coat of arms** Growth of hair or wool or fur covering the body of an animal.
- colophon** A publisher's emblem printed in a book (usually on the title page).
- crest** The top line of a hill, mountain, or wave.  
*She reached the **crest** of the hill.*
- device** Any ornamental pattern or design (as in embroidery).  
*Simply connect your **device** to a power outlet as well as Wi Fi.*

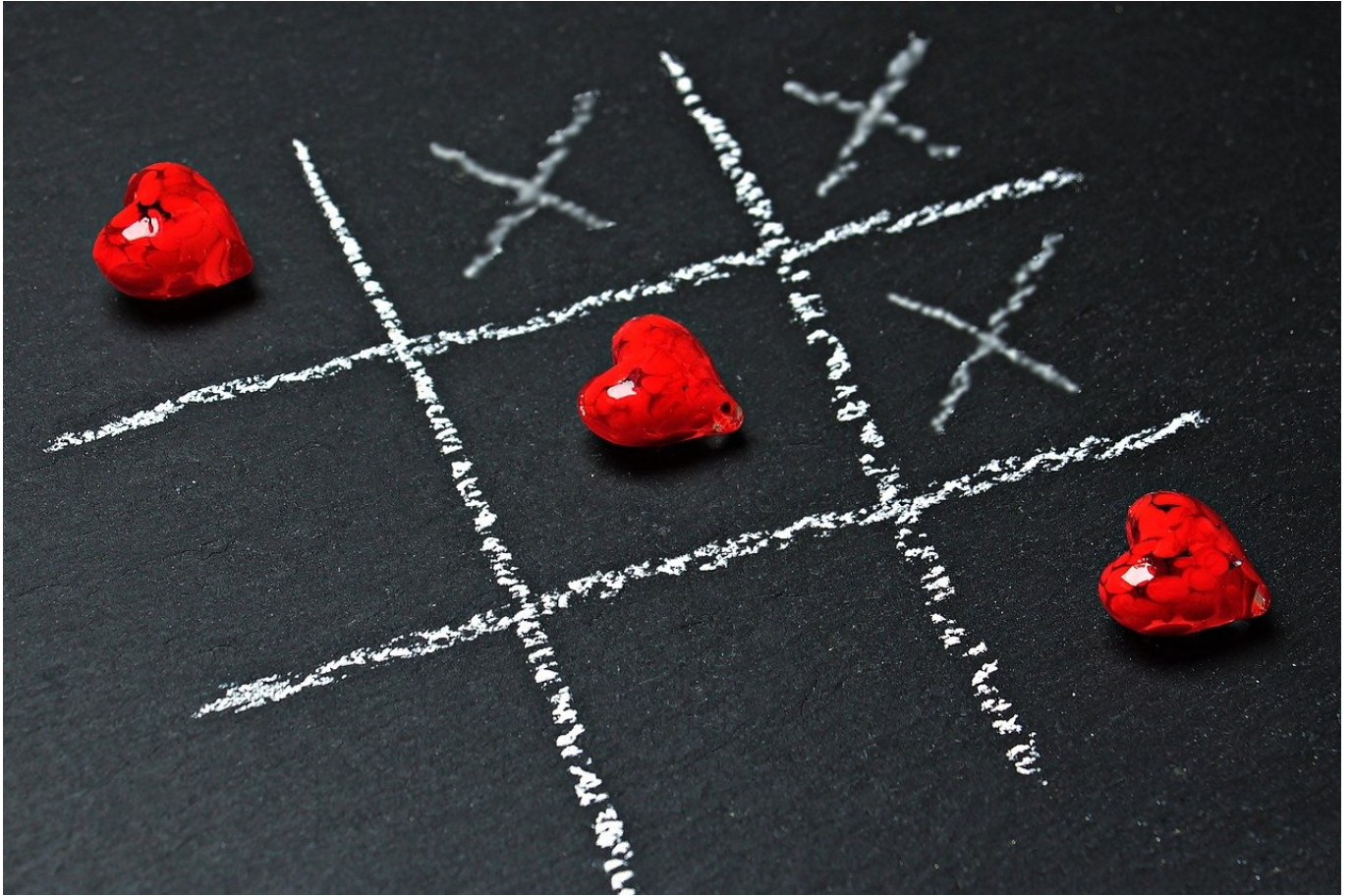
<b><u>emblem</u></b>	A heraldic device or symbolic object as a distinctive badge of a nation, organization, or family. <i>Our child would be a dazzling <b>emblem</b> of our love.</i>
<b>figure</b>	A combination of points and lines and planes that form a visible palpable shape. <i>Starkly painted <b>figures</b>.</i>
<b><u>flag</u></b>	The ensign carried by a flagship as an emblem of an admiral's rank. <i>He pledged allegiance to the <b>flag</b>.</i>
<b><u>hallmark</u></b>	A distinctive feature. <i>The tiny bubbles are the <b>hallmark</b> of fine champagnes.</i>
<b>hieroglyph</b>	Writing that resembles hieroglyphics usually by being illegible. <i>The International Organisation for Standardization is introducing two new <b>hieroglyphs</b> to perplex washing machine owners.</i>
<b>ideogram</b>	A character symbolizing the idea of a thing without indicating the sounds used to say it. Examples include numerals and Chinese characters. <i>Chinese characters are <b>ideograms</b>.</i>
<b><u>image</u></b>	The set of values of the dependent variable for which a function is defined. <i>He provided America with an <b>image</b> of the good father.</i>
<b>insignia</b>	A sign or token of something. <i>The ruins are devoid of moss and ivy the romantic <b>insignia</b> of age and decay.</i>
<b>letter</b>	An emblem in the shape of the initial letter of a school or university's name awarded to a student for achievement in sport. <i>We must keep the spirit of the law as well as the <b>letter</b>.</i>
<b><u>logo</u></b>	A symbol or other small design adopted by an organization to identify its products, uniform, vehicles, etc. <i>The Olympic <b>logo</b> was emblazoned across the tracksuits.</i>
<b>logogram</b>	A sign or character representing a word or phrase, such as those used in shorthand and some ancient writing systems. <i>7 is a <b>logogram</b> that is pronounced seven in English and nanatsu in Japanese.</i>
<b>logotype</b>	A single piece of type that prints a word, a group of separate letters, or a logo.
<b>mark</b>	A marking that consists of lines that cross each other. <i>He signed his <b>mark</b> in the visitor's book.</i>
<b>monogram</b>	A motif of two or more interwoven letters, typically a person's initials, used to identify a personal possession or as a logo. <i>A handkerchief with his <b>monogram</b> embroidered on one corner.</i>

<b>motif</b>	A leitmotif or figure. <i>In this opera Verdi used identifying <b>motifs</b>.</i>
<b>motto</b>	A phrase which recurs throughout a musical work and has some symbolical significance. <i>The family <b>motto</b> is Faithful though Unfortunate.</i>
<b>representation</b>	A picture, model, or other depiction of someone or something. <i>Certain <b>representations</b> were made concerning police brutality.</i>
<b>rune</b>	Any character from an ancient Germanic alphabet used in Scandinavia from the 3rd century to the Middle Ages. <i>The pommel and guard are embellished with <b>runes</b>.</i>
<b>seal</b>	The pelt or fur especially the underfur of a seal. <i>A coat of <b>seal</b>.</i>
<b>sign</b>	A fundamental linguistic unit linking a signifier to that which is signified. <i>The highway was lined with <b>signboards</b>.</i>
<b>stamp</b>	An act or sound of stamping with the foot. <i>TV licence <b>stamps</b>.</i>
<b>symbolisation</b>	The practice of investing things with symbolic meaning.
<b>symbolization</b>	Something visible that by association or convention represents something else that is invisible.
<b>tag</b>	The tip of an animal's tail when it is distinctively coloured. <i>His writing is full of <b>tags</b> from the Bible and Shakespeare.</i>
<b>token</b>	A sequence of bits passed continuously between nodes in a fixed order and enabling a node to transmit information. <i>The next black actor or actress selected won't know if it's because of their ability and performance or if they're just a <b>token</b>.</i>
<b>trademark</b>	A distinctive characteristic or attribute. <i>The murder had all the <b>trademarks</b> of a Mafia hit.</i>
<b>type</b>	Metal types used in letterpress printing. <i>The capable <b>type</b>.</i>



### **Usage Examples of "Symbol" as a noun**

- *The symbol  $r$  in Figure 5 represents a gene which is ineffective.*
- *The eagle is a symbol of the United States.*
- *The limousine was another symbol of his wealth and authority.*
- *The Star of David, the Jewish symbol.*
- *The Red Cross symbol.*
- *The chemical symbol for helium is He.*



## Symbol as a Verb

### Definitions of "Symbol" as a verb

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

- *Symbolize.*



## Synonyms of "Symbol" as a verb (5 Words)

**be a sign of** Be identical to; be someone or something.

**be a symbol of** Work in a specific place, with a specific subject, or in a specific function.

**exemplify** Clarify by giving an example of.  
*The best dry sherry is exemplified by the fino of Jerez.*

**represent** Be a delegate or spokesperson for represent somebody's interest or be a proxy or substitute for as of politicians and office holders representing their constituents or of a tenant representing other tenants in a housing dispute.

*Our parents **represented** to us the need for more caution.*

**stand for** Remain inactive or immobile.



## Associations of "Symbol" (30 Words)

- ampere** A former unit of electric current slightly smaller than the SI ampere.
- ampersand** The sign & (standing for and, as in Smith & Co., or the Latin et, as in &c.).
- augur** Predict from an omen.  
*The end of the cold war seemed to **augur** well.*
- bespeak** Express the need or desire for; ask for.  
*The defendant's insurers took steps to **bespeak** his medical records.*
- blazon** A correct description of armorial bearings.  
*They saw their company name **blazoned** all over the media.*
- bode** Indicate by signs.  
*The 12 per cent interest rate **bodes** dark days ahead for retailers.*
- comma** Angewing butterfly with a comma shaped mark on the underside of each hind wing.
- denotation** The action of indicating or referring to something by means of a word, symbol, etc.  
*Beyond their immediate **denotation** the words have a connotative power.*



<b><u>emblem</u></b>	A heraldic device or symbolic object as a distinctive badge of a nation, organization, or family. <i>America s national <b>emblem</b> the bald eagle.</i>
<b><u>embody</u></b>	Form (people) into a body, especially for military purposes. <i>The changes in law embodied in the Children Act.</i>
<b><u>exemplify</u></b>	Illustrate or clarify by giving an example. <i>The best dry sherry is exemplified by the fino of Jerez.</i>
<b>glyph</b>	A hieroglyphic character or symbol. <i>Flanges painted with esoteric <b>glyphs</b>.</i>
<b>heraldic</b>	Of or relating to heraldry. <i><b>Heraldic</b> devices.</i>
<b>indication</b>	A reason to prescribe a drug or perform a procedure. <i>The visit was an <b>indication</b> of the improvement in relations between the countries.</i>
<b><u>logo</u></b>	A company emblem or device. <i>The Olympic <b>logo</b> was emblazoned across the tracksuits.</i>
<b>mark</b>	A marking that consists of lines that cross each other. <i>He was five feet nine with no distinguishing <b>marks</b>.</i>
<b>mascot</b>	A person or thing that is supposed to bring good luck, especially one linked to a particular organization or event. <i>The team s dolphin <b>mascot</b>.</i>
<b>omen</b>	Indicate as with a sign or an omen. <i>The ghost s appearance was an ill <b>omen</b>.</i>
<b>pennant</b>	A flag denoting a sports championship or other achievement. <i>The Dodgers won six <b>pennants</b> during his career.</i>
<b>portent</b>	Future significance. <i>Many birds are regarded as being <b>portents</b> of death.</i>
<b>presage</b>	A feeling of presentiment or foreboding. <i>Lands he could measure terms and tides <b>presage</b>.</i>
<b>punctuation</b>	Something that makes repeated and regular interruptions or divisions. <i>You will notice that no <b>punctuation</b> is used.</i>
<b>represent</b>	Be a delegate or spokesperson for represent somebody s interest or be a proxy or substitute for as of politicians and office holders representing their constituents or of a tenant representing other tenants in a housing dispute. <i>Ms Smith will <b>represent</b> the defendant.</i>
<b>sign</b>	Authorize a document or other written or printed material by attaching a signature. <i>The Deaf Association Choir <b>signed</b> the hymns.</i>

- signal** Communicate silently and non verbally by signals or signs.  
*The Community could **signal** displeasure by refusing to cooperate.*
- signify** Be an indication of.  
***Signify** your agreement by signing the letter below.*
- symbolic** Relating to or using or proceeding by means of symbols.  
*The release of the dissident was an important **symbolic** gesture.*
- symbolize** Express indirectly by an image, form, or model; be a symbol.  
*These painters believed that artists should **symbolize**.*
- symptom** Anything that accompanies X and is regarded as an indication of X's existence.  
*Dental problems may be a **symptom** of other illness.*
- zodiac** Astrology a circular diagram representing the 12 zodiacal constellations and showing their signs.

