

Need another word that means the same as “tangent”? Find 1 synonym and 30 related words for “tangent” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Tangent” are: tan**

## Tangent as a Noun

### Definitions of "Tangent" as a noun

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

- *Ratio of the opposite to the adjacent side of a right-angled triangle.*
- *The trigonometric function that is equal to the ratio of the sides (other than the hypotenuse) opposite and adjacent to an angle in a right-angled triangle.*
- *A straight line or plane that touches a curve or curved surface at a point but does not intersect it at that point.*
- *A completely different line of thought or action.*
- *A straight line or plane that touches a curve or curved surface at a point, but if extended does not cross it at that point.*

### Synonyms of "Tangent" as a noun (1 Word)

Tan from which the tannin has been extracted used for covering the ground for [tan](#) walking riding children s play etc and in gardening.  
*The overall colour scheme of **tan** and cream.*

### Usage Examples of "Tangent" as a noun

- *Loretta's mind went off at a tangent.*

## Associations of "Tangent" (30 Words)

<b>angle</b>	Angle iron or a similar constructional material made of another metal. <i>He <b>angled</b> his way into the room.</i>
<b>arc</b>	Form an arch or curve. <i>Her back <b>arches</b>.</i>
<b>bend</b>	A kind of knot used to join two ropes together or to tie a rope to another object e.g a carrick bend. <i><b>Bend</b> your knees.</i>
<b>bent</b>	Sharply curved or having an angle. <i>He had a <b>bent</b> for it.</i>
<b>circle</b>	Form a circle around. <i>The abbey was <b>circled</b> by a huge wall.</i>
<b>circular</b>	Having a circular shape. <i>I received a <b>circular</b> from a building society.</i>
<b>concave</b>	Curving inward. <i><b>Concave</b> lenses.</i>
<b>convex</b>	(of a polygon) not having any interior angles greater than 180°. <i>A <b>convex</b> lens.</i>
<b>curve</b>	Form an arch or curve. <i>The parapet wall sweeps down in a bold <b>curve</b>.</i>
<b>cycloid</b>	Resembling a circle. A closed plane curve resulting from the intersection of a circular cone and a plane cutting completely through it.
<b>ellipse</b>	<i>The sums of the distances from the foci to any point on an <b>ellipse</b> is constant.</i>
<b>elliptical</b>	Characterized by extreme economy of expression or omission of superfluous elements- H.O.Taylor. <i>She had completely misunderstood his <b>elliptical</b> declaration.</i>
<b>epicycloid</b>	A line generated by a point on a circle rolling around another circle.
<b>fold</b>	Confine in a fold like sheep. <i>The deckchair <b>folds</b> flat.</i>
<b>geometry</b>	A particular system of geometry. <i>The <b>geometry</b> of spiders webs.</i>
<b>hyperbola</b>	The pair of hyperbolas formed by the intersection of a plane with two equal cones on opposite sides of the same vertex.

<b>hyperbolic</b>	Of or relating to a hyperbola. <i>A <b>hyperbolic</b> style.</i>
<b>mathematics</b>	The abstract science of number quantity and space either as abstract concepts pure mathematics or as applied to other disciplines such as physics and engineering applied mathematics. <i>James immerses himself in the <b>mathematics</b> of baseball.</i>
<b>oval</b>	An oval sports field or racing track. <i>Cut out two small <b>ovals</b> from the felt.</i>
<b>parabola</b>	A plane curve formed by the intersection of a right circular cone and a plane parallel to an element of the curve.
<b>parabolic</b>	Of or expressed in parables. <i><b>Parabolic</b> teaching.</i>
<b>radius</b>	The bone in a vertebrate s foreleg or a bird s wing that corresponds to the radius in a human being. <i>There are plenty of local pubs within a two mile <b>radius</b>.</i>
<b>rectangular</b>	Denoting or shaped like a rectangle. <i>A neat <b>rectangular</b> area.</i>
<b>rounded</b>	Curving and somewhat round in shape rather than jagged. <i>We should educate children to become <b>rounded</b> human beings.</i>
<b>serpentine</b>	A kind of cannon, used especially in the 15th and 16th centuries. <i><b>Serpentine</b> country lanes.</i>
<b>shape</b>	Give a particular shape or form to. <i>He could barely make out their <b>shapes</b>.</i>
<b>sinuate</b>	Curved or curving in and out.
<b>sinuous</b>	Lithe and supple. <i>The <b>sinuous</b> grace of a cat.</i>
<b>spherical</b>	Shaped like a sphere. <i><b>Spherical</b> pearls.</i>
<b>winding</b>	The act of winding or twisting. <i>The <b>windings</b> of the stream.</i>