

Need another word that means the same as “tangle”? Find 63 synonyms and 30 related words for “tangle” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Tangle” are: entangle, mat, snarl, dishevel, tousle, drag, drag in, embroil, sweep, sweep up, knot, ravel, ravelled, entangled, snarled, snarled up, entwined, knotted, coiled, muddled, catch, entwine, intertwine, intertwist, twist, enmesh, coil, jumble, muddle, jumbled, scrambled, complex, come into conflict, become involved, have a dispute, dispute, argue, quarrel, fight, row, wrangle, squabble, contend, cross swords, lock horns, maze, mass, cluster, mesh, disorder, thatch, web, mix-up, confusion, entanglement, mishmash, shambles, scramble**

## Tangle as a Noun

### Definitions of "Tangle" as a noun

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

- *Something jumbled or confused.*
- *A confused or complicated state; a muddle.*
- *A confused mass of something twisted together.*
- *A twisted and tangled mass that is highly interwoven.*
- *A fight, argument, or disagreement.*



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

<a href="#">cluster</a>	A group of atoms of the same element, typically a metal, bonded closely together in a molecule. A <b>cluster</b> compound.
<b>confusion</b>	The state of being bewildered or unclear in one's mind about something. <i>Most of the errors are reasonable <b>confusions</b> between similar words.</i>
<b>disorder</b>	A state of confusion. <i>Eating <b>disorders</b>.</i>
<b>entanglement</b>	An extensive barrier, typically made of barbed wire and stakes, erected to impede enemy soldiers or vehicles. <i>Many dolphins die from <b>entanglement</b> in fishing nets.</i>
<b>jumble</b>	Articles collected for a jumble sale. <i>We are collecting <b>jumble</b> for charity.</i>
<b>knot</b>	A length marked by knots on a log line as a measure of speed. <i>A small <b>knot</b> of women listened to his sermon.</i>
<a href="#">mass</a>	A large body of matter with no definite shape. <i>We get <b>masses</b> of homework.</i>
<b>mat</b>	A piece of thick or resilient material for lying on or for landing on in gymnastics wrestling or similar sports. <i>A <b>mat</b> of weeds and grass.</i>
<a href="#">maze</a>	A complex network of paths or passages. <i>The house has a <b>maze</b> and a walled Italian garden.</i>
<a href="#">mesh</a>	The spacing between the individual strands that form mesh. <i>The <b>mesh</b> was implanted at the site of the fistula.</i>
<b>mishmash</b>	A motley assortment of things. <i>A <b>mishmash</b> of outmoded ideas.</i>
<b>mix-up</b>	A mistake that results from taking one thing to be another.
<b>muddle</b>	A confused multitude of things. <i>He made a <b>muddle</b> of his marriage.</i>
<b>scramble</b>	An unceremonious and disorganized struggle. <i>The route gives an excellent <b>scramble</b> up on to the narrow summit ridge.</i>
<b>shambles</b>	A state of total disorder. <i>The <b>shambles</b> where the animals were slaughtered.</i>
<a href="#">snarl</a>	An act or sound of snarling. A <b>snarl</b> of rage.

**thatch**

Hair resembling thatched roofing material.  
*Good **thatch** is difficult to obtain.*

**web**

The flattened weblike part of a feather consisting of a series of barbs on either side of the shaft.  
**Web** publishing.



**Usage Examples of "Tangle" as a noun**

- *She got into a tangle with staff.*
- *They carved their way through the tangle of vines.*
- *A tangle of government regulations.*
- *A tangle of golden hair.*
- *The home team's defence got into an awful tangle.*



## Tangle as a Verb

### Definitions of "Tangle" as a verb

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

- *Disarrange or rumple; dishevel.*
- *Twist together into a confused mass.*
- *Twist together or entwine into a confusing mass.*
- *Force into some kind of situation, condition, or course of action.*
- *Become involved in a conflict or fight with.*
- *Tangle or complicate.*
- *Make (something) complicated or confused.*



## Synonyms of "Tangle" as a verb (45 Words)

<b>argue</b>	Exchange or express diverging or opposite views, typically in a heated or angry way. <i>She was too tired to <b>argue</b> the point.</i>
<b>become involved</b>	Come into existence.
<b>catch</b>	Be the catcher. <i><b>Catch</b> one's breath.</i>
<b>coil</b>	Move or twist into the shape of a coil. <i>He began to <b>coil</b> up the heavy ropes.</i>
<b>coiled</b>	Wind around something in coils or loops.
<b>come into conflict</b>	Develop into.

<b>complex</b>	Make an atom or compound form a complex with another. <i>The DNA was <b>complexed</b> with the nuclear extract.</i>
<b>contend</b>	Struggle to surmount (a difficulty). <i>Factions within the government were <b>contending</b> for the succession to the presidency.</i>
<b>cross swords</b>	Meet at a point.
<b>dishevel</b>	Disarrange or rumple dishevel. <i>He ran one hand through his hair further <b>dishevelling</b> it.</i>
<b>dispute</b>	Compete for; strive to win. <i>I formed my line and prepared to <b>dispute</b> the advance of the foe.</i>
<b>drag</b>	Take (someone) to or from a place or event, despite their reluctance. <i>We <b>dragged</b> the boat up the beach.</i>
<b>drag in</b>	Search (as the bottom of a body of water) for something valuable or lost.
<b>embroil</b>	Force into some kind of situation, condition, or course of action. <i>What merit do you claim for having <b>embroiled</b> everything in which you are concerned.</i>
<b>enmesh</b>	Involve (someone) in a difficult situation from which it is hard to escape. <i>Whales <b>enmeshed</b> in drift nets.</i>
<b>entangle</b>	Twist together or entwine into a confusing mass. <i>Fish attempt to swim through the mesh and become <b>entangled</b>.</i>
<b>entangled</b>	Twist together or entwine into a confusing mass.
<b>entwine</b>	Tie or link together. <i>They lay <b>entwined</b> in each other's arms.</i>
<b>entwined</b>	Spin, wind, or twist together.
<b>fight</b>	Fight against or resist strongly. <i>We never gave up Rowe said while <b>fighting</b> tears after her final game.</i>
<b>have a dispute</b>	Have a personal or business relationship with someone.
<b>intertwine</b>	Spin, wind, or twist together. <i><b>Intertwine</b> the ribbons.</i>
<b>intertwist</b>	Twist together. <i>Bend and <b>intertwist</b> the stalks at the back.</i>
<b>jumble</b>	Be all mixed up or jumbled together. <i>She <b>jumbles</b> the words when she is supposed to write a sentence.</i>
<b>jumbled</b>	Be all mixed up or jumbled together.

<b>knot</b>	Make into knots make knots out of. <i>She <b>knotted</b> her fingers.</i>
<b>knotted</b>	Tie or fasten into a knot.
<b>lock horns</b>	Become rigid or immovable.
<b>mat</b>	Change texture so as to become matted and felt like. <i>The fur on its flank was <b>matted</b> with blood.</i>
<b>muddle</b>	Bring into a disordered or confusing state. <i>He <b>muddled</b> the issues.</i>
<b>muddled</b>	Make into a puddle.
<b><u>quarrel</u></b>	Complain or scold someone. <i>We <b>quarreled</b> over the question as to who discovered America.</i>
<b>ravel</b>	Unravel fray. <i>Can you <b>unravel</b> the mystery.</i>
<b>ravelled</b>	Disentangle.
<b>row</b>	Propel with oars. <i><b>Row</b> the boat across the lake.</i>
<b>scrambled</b>	Stir vigorously.
<b><u>snarl</u></b>	Make a snarling noise or move with a snarling noise. <i>The guard <b>snarled</b> at us.</i>
<b>snarled</b>	Utter in an angry, sharp, or abrupt tone.
<b>snarled up</b>	Utter in an angry, sharp, or abrupt tone.
<b>squabble</b>	Quarrel noisily over a trivial matter. <i>The boys were <b>squabbling</b> over a ball.</i>
<b>sweep</b>	Make a big sweeping gesture or movement. <i>They were trying to get the Lewis gun up behind some trees from where they would <b>sweep</b> the trench.</i>
<b>sweep up</b>	Win an overwhelming victory in or on.
<b>tousle</b>	Make (a person's hair) untidy. <i>The strong wind <b>tousled</b> my hair.</i>
<b><u>twist</u></b>	Do the twist. <i>The path <b>twisted</b> through the forest.</i>
<b><u>wrangle</u></b>	To quarrel noisily, angrily or disruptively. <i>The bar keeper threw them out but they continued to <b>wrangle</b> on down the street.</i>





## Usage Examples of "Tangle" as a verb

- *The broom somehow got tangled up in my long skirt.*
- *The child entangled the cord.*
- *They usually come a cropper when they tangle with the heavy mobs.*
- *A ploy to tangle matters even further.*



## Associations of "Tangle" (30 Words)

- bind** Bind by an obligation cause to be indebted.  
*The moral **bind** of the law.*
- bond** Money that must be forfeited by the bondsman if an accused person fails to appear in court for trial.  
*Assets may have to be sold or **bonded** to provide cash for the payment of this tax.*
- complicated** Consisting of many interconnecting parts or elements; intricate.  
***Complicated** appendicitis.*
- corridor** A belt of land linking two other areas or following a road or river.  
*His room lay at the very end of the **corridor**.*
- embroil** Force into some kind of situation, condition, or course of action.  
*The film s about a journalist who becomes **embroiled** with a nightclub owner.*

<b>entangle</b>	Involve (someone) in difficulties or complicated circumstances from which it is difficult to escape. <i>Fish attempt to swim through the mesh and become <b>entangled</b>.</i>
<b>entwine</b>	Tie or link together. <i>They lay <b>entwined</b> in each other's arms.</i>
<b>fray</b>	Cause friction. <i>The friction <b>frayed</b> the sleeve.</i>
<b>inextricable</b>	Impossible to escape from. <i>An <b>inextricable</b> knot.</i>
<b>interlace</b>	Spin, wind, or twist together. <i>Discussion <b>interlaced</b> with esoteric mathematics.</i>
<b>intertwine</b>	Connect or link (two or more things) closely. <i><b>Intertwined</b> hearts.</i>
<b>knot</b>	A length marked by knots on a log line as a measure of speed. <i>A <b>knot</b> of spectators was gathering.</i>
<b>labyrinthine</b>	Resembling a labyrinth in form or complexity. <i>A <b>labyrinthine</b> network of tortuous footpaths.</i>
<b>ligature</b>	Bind or connect with a ligature. <i>He <b>ligatured</b> the duodenum below the pylorus.</i>
<b>linked</b>	Connected by a link, as railway cars or trailer trucks.
<b>maze</b>	Something jumbled or confused. <i>They were trapped in a menacing <b>maze</b> of corridors.</i>
<b>mess</b>	Have one's meals with a particular person especially as a member of an armed forces mess. <i>He <b>messed</b> up his room.</i>
<b>perplexity</b>	A complicated or baffling situation or thing. <i>The dense <b>perplexity</b> of dwarf palm garlanded creepers glossy undergrowth.</i>
<b>pleat</b>	Fold into pleats. <i>She was absently <b>pleating</b> her skirt between her fingers.</i>
<b>pucker</b>	Draw together into folds or puckers. <i>Her lips <b>puckered</b>.</i>
<b>ravel</b>	Unravel fray. <i>Can you <b>unravel</b> the mystery.</i>
<b>ripple</b>	A thing resembling a ripple or ripples in appearance or movement. <i>A <b>ripple</b> of laughter ran around the room.</i>
<b>ruffle</b>	Pleat or gather into a ruffle. <i>The evening breeze <b>ruffled</b> the surface of the pond in the yard.</i>

- rumple** Become wrinkled or crumpled or creased.  
*She left her clothes in a **rumple** on the floor.*
- twist** The extent of twisting of a rod or other object.  
*He grabbed the man and **twisted** his arm behind his back.*
- tying** The act of tying or binding things together.
- underbrush** Shrubs and small trees forming the undergrowth in a forest.
- undulate** Move or go with a smooth up-and-down motion.  
*The surface of the liquid **undulated** gently.*
- unravel** Become or cause to become undone by separating the fibers or threads of.  
*His painstaking diplomacy of the last eight months could quickly **unravel**.*
- wrinkle** Grimace and cause wrinkles on a part of the face.  
*Learning the **wrinkles** from someone more experienced saves time.*

