

Need another word that means the same as “throb”? Find 55 synonyms and 30 related words for “throb” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Throb” are: pulsate, pulse, shiver, shudder, thrill, beat, palpitate, pound, thud, thump, hammer, drum, thrum, reverberate, vibrate, pitter-patter, go pit-a-pat, quiver, ache, hurt, throbbing, smarting, sting, stinging, twinge, stab, spasm, cause pain, be painful, be sore, smart, burn, prickle, pinch, cause discomfort, be tender, pounding, pulsation, beating, palpitation, thudding, thumping, hammering, drumming, reverberation, vibration, pit-a-pat, quivering

Throb as a Noun

Definitions of "Throb" as a noun

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

- *An instance of rapid strong pulsation (of the heart).*
- *A deep pulsating type of pain.*
- *A strong, regular beat or sound; a steady pulsation.*
- *A feeling of pain in a series of regular beats.*



Synonyms of "Throb" as a noun (19 Words)

beat	The act of beating to windward sailing as close as possible to the direction from which the wind is blowing. <i>His beat ended at 6 a m.</i>
beating	A defeat in a competitive situation. <i>Torture methods included beating.</i>
drumming	Small to medium sized bottom dwelling food and game fishes of shallow coastal and fresh waters that make a drumming noise. <i>He practiced his drumming several hours every day.</i>
hammering	The action or sound of hammering something. <i>A 7 0 hammering by the league leaders.</i>
palpitation	A noticeably rapid, strong, or irregular heartbeat due to agitation, exertion, or illness. <i>The stimulants gave me palpitations.</i>
pit-a-pat	A light touch or stroke.
pitter-patter	A series of rapid tapping sounds.
pounding	The act of pounding delivering repeated heavy blows. <i>All she could hear was the pounding of her heart.</i>
pulsation	A periodically recurring phenomenon that alternately increases and decreases some quantity. <i>The pulsations seemed to be coming from a star.</i>
pulse	(electronics) a sharp transient wave in the normal electrical state (or a series of such transients). <i>Those close to the financial and economic pulse maintain that there have been fundamental changes.</i>
quivering	An almost pleasurable sensation of fright. <i>To minimize her quivering she pressed her chin against her chest.</i>
reverberation	A remote or indirect consequence of some action. <i>Electronic effects have been added such as echo and reverberation.</i>
throbbing	An instance of rapid strong pulsation (of the heart). <i>He felt a throbbing in his head.</i>
thrum	A thrumming sound. <i>The steady thrum of rain on the windows.</i>
thud	A heavy dull sound (as made by impact of heavy objects). <i>School leavers have now come back down to earth with a thud.</i>
thudding	A heavy dull sound (as made by impact of heavy objects). <i>He heard the hollow thudding of hooves.</i>

thump A heavy deadened sound.
*I felt a **thump** on my back.*

thumping A heavy dull sound (as made by impact of heavy objects).

vibration A person's emotional state, the atmosphere of a place, or the associations of an object, as communicated to and felt by others.
*I picked up no unusual **vibrations** as to the envelope's contents.*



Usage Examples of "Throb" as a noun

- *The dull ache became a throb.*
- *He felt a throbbing in his head.*
- *The throb of the ship's engines.*

Throb as a Verb

Definitions of "Throb" as a verb

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

- *Beat or sound with a strong, regular rhythm; pulsate steadily.*
- *Pulsate or pound with abnormal force.*
- *Expand and contract rhythmically; beat rhythmically.*
- *Feel pain in a series of regular beats.*
- *Tremble convulsively, as from fear or excitement.*

Synonyms of "Throb" as a verb (36 Words)

ache	Feel intense sadness or compassion. <i>She looked so tired that my heart ached for her.</i>
be painful	Be identical or equivalent to.
be sore	Be priced at.
be tender	Have life, be alive.
beat	Beat through cleverness and wit. <i>Beat one's foot rhythmically.</i>
burn	Burn, sear or freeze tissue using a hot iron or electric current or a caustic agent. <i>Maple wood burns well.</i>
cause discomfort	Give rise to; cause to happen or occur, not always intentionally.
cause pain	Cause to do; cause to act in a specified manner.
drum	Play on a drum or drums. <i>He channelled his energies into drumming with local groups.</i>
go pit-a-pat	Be or continue to be in a certain condition.
hammer	Create by hammering. <i>He got hammered for an honest mistake.</i>
hurt	Hurt the feelings of. <i>My back hurts.</i>
palpitate	Cause to throb or beat rapidly. <i>Her violent feelings palpitated the young woman's heart.</i>
pinch	Irritate as if by a nip, pinch or tear. <i>Pinch out tips of shoots regularly.</i>
pitter-patter	Rain gently.

<u>pound</u>	Place or shut up in a pound. <i>The prisoners are safely pounded.</i>
prickle	(of a person) react defensively or angrily to something. <i>I hate the way the fibres prickle your skin.</i>
pulsate	Produce or modulate (as electromagnetic waves) in the form of short bursts or pulses or cause an apparatus to produce pulses. <i>Blood vessels throb and pulsate.</i>
<u>pulse</u>	Modulate a wave or beam so that it becomes a series of pulses. <i>A loudspeaker pulsed by a capacitor discharge.</i>
<u>quiver</u>	Move back and forth very rapidly. <i>Juliet s lower lip quivered.</i>
reverberate	Spring back; spring away from an impact. <i>Her deep booming laugh reverberated around the room.</i>
shiver	Tremble convulsively, as from fear or excitement. <i>They shivered in the damp foggy cold.</i>
<u>shudder</u>	Shake, as from cold. <i>The building cracked and shuddered.</i>
smart	Feel upset and annoyed. <i>Her legs were scratched and smarting.</i>
smarting	Be the source of pain.
<u>spasm</u>	Experience sudden involuntary muscular contractions; twitch convulsively. <i>My body spasmed violently.</i>
<u>stab</u>	Stab or pierce. <i>He stabbed her in the stomach.</i>
<u>sting</u>	Wound or pierce with a sting. <i>A nettle stings if you brush it lightly.</i>
stinging	Cause a stinging pain.
thrill	Cause to be thrilled by some perceptual input. <i>I m thrilled to bits.</i>
throbbing	Tremble convulsively, as from fear or excitement.
thrum	Sound the strings of (a string instrument). <i>The boat s huge engines thrummed in his ears.</i>
<u>thud</u>	Make a noise typical of an engine lacking lubricants. <i>Bullets were thudding against the wall.</i>
thump	Move rhythmically. <i>She picked up the kettle then thumped it down again.</i>

twinge	Cause a stinging pain. <i>Stop the exercises if the tummy twinges.</i>
vibrate	Feel sudden intense sensation or emotion. <i>The cabin started to vibrate.</i>

Usage Examples of "Throb" as a verb

- *My head is throbbing.*
- *Her foot throbbed with pain.*
- *Her heart was throbbing.*
- *The crowded streets throbbed with life.*
- *The war drums throbbed.*

Associations of "Throb" (30 Words)

ache	Feel physical pain. <i>My legs ached from the previous day s exercise.</i>
affliction	A condition of suffering or distress due to ill health. <i>A crippling affliction of the nervous system.</i>
agonize	Cause to agonize. <i>I didn t agonize over the problem.</i>
agony	The final stages of a difficult or painful death. <i>An agony of doubt.</i>
anguish	Cause emotional anguish or make miserable. <i>She shut her eyes in anguish.</i>
annoyed	Slightly angry; irritated. <i>I got very annoyed watching the film.</i>
distraught	Deeply agitated especially from emotion. <i>He is terribly distraught.</i>
distress	Bring into difficulties or distress especially financial hardship. <i>The manner in which leather jackets are industrially distressed.</i>
distressed	(of property) offered for sale cheaply due to mortgage foreclosure or because it is part of an insolvent estate. <i>Distressed about her son s leaving home.</i>
dolor	(poetry) painful grief.
exasperated	Greatly annoyed; out of patience. <i>Felt exasperated beyond endurance.</i>

<u>grief</u>	Intense sorrow, especially caused by someone's death. <i>Time heals griefs and quarrels.</i>
headache	Something or someone that causes anxiety; a source of unhappiness. <i>An administrative headache.</i>
hurt	Hurt the feelings of. <i>Does acupuncture hurt.</i>
<u>miserable</u>	Pitiably small or inadequate. <i>Almost depleted his miserable store of dried beans.</i>
<u>misery</u>	A state of ill-being due to affliction or misfortune. <i>A man who had brought her nothing but misery.</i>
pain	Cause mental or physical pain to. <i>The patient developed severe pain and distension.</i>
privation	A state of extreme poverty. <i>Cold is the privation of heat.</i>
pulsate	Expand and contract with strong regular movements. <i>Bangkok is a cosmopolitan city that pulsates with life.</i>
<u>quiver</u>	An almost pleasurable sensation of fright. <i>The tree's branches stopped quivering.</i>
<u>sigh</u>	Heave or utter a sigh breathe deeply and heavily. <i>She let out a long sigh of despair.</i>
suffering	Psychological suffering. <i>Suffering refugees.</i>
<u>throes</u>	Intense or violent pain and struggle, especially accompanying birth, death, or great change. <i>Death throes.</i>
torment	A feeling of intense annoyance caused by being tormented. <i>The sinners will be tormented in Hell according to the Bible.</i>
<u>troubled</u>	Characterized by or indicative of distress or affliction or danger or need. <i>His troubled private life.</i>
upset	The act of upsetting something. <i>The upset pitcher of milk.</i>
<u>vibrate</u>	Quiver with (a quality or emotion). <i>The bumblebee vibrated its wings for a few seconds.</i>
woe	Misery resulting from affliction. <i>The Everton tale of woe continued.</i>
worried	Afflicted with or marked by anxious uneasiness or trouble or grief. <i>Worried parents.</i>

wretchedness The character of being uncomfortable and unpleasant.
*He has compiled a record second to none in its **wretchedness**.*