

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

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**The synonyms of “Vanguard” are: van, avant-garde, cutting edge, forefront, advance guard, spearhead, front, front line, front rank, fore, lead, leading position, driving force**

## Vanguard as a Noun

### Definitions of "Vanguard" as a noun

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

- *A group of people leading the way in new developments or ideas.*
- *The foremost part of an advancing army or naval force.*
- *Any creative group active in the innovation and application of new concepts and techniques in a given field (especially in the arts).*
- *The position of greatest importance or advancement; the leading position in any movement or field.*
- *A position at the forefront of new developments or ideas.*
- *The leading units moving at the head of an army.*



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

- advance guard** Increase in price or value.
- avant-garde** Any creative group active in the innovation and application of new concepts and techniques in a given field (especially in the arts).
- cutting edge** A part (sometimes a root or leaf or bud) removed from a plant to propagate a new plant through rooting or grafting.
- driving force** The act of controlling and steering the movement of a vehicle or animal.
- fore** The front part of something, especially a ship.
- forefront** The part in the front or nearest the viewer.  
*The Cotswolds were once at the **forefront** of woollen manufacturing in England.*
- front** The part of a garment covering a person's front.  
*He led the national liberation **front**.*

<b>front line</b>	The atmospheric phenomenon created at the boundary between two different air masses.
<b>front rank</b>	The immediate proximity of someone or something.
<b>lead</b>	A position of leadership especially in the phrase take the lead. <i>The newswire will be offering two different <b>leads</b> for certain stories so editors can pick and choose.</i>
<b>leading position</b>	Thin strip of metal used to separate lines of type in printing.
<b><u>spearhead</u></b>	Someone who leads or initiates an activity (attack or campaign etc). <i>She became the <b>spearhead</b> of a health education programme.</i>
<b>van</b>	A caravan. A <b>van</b> driver.



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

- *The prototype was in the vanguard of technical development.*
- *The experimental spirit of the modernist vanguard.*





## Associations of "Vanguard" (30 Words)

<b><u>armament</u></b>	A military force equipped for war. <i>National <b>armaments</b> could be kept to a minimum.</i>
<b><u>armed</u></b>	Having arms or arms as specified; used especially in combination. <i><b>Armed</b> robbery.</i>
<b><u>armored</u></b>	Protected by armor (used of persons or things military).
<b><u>army</u></b>	The army of the United States of America the agency that organizes and trains soldiers for land warfare. <i>He joined the <b>army</b> at 16.</i>
<b>artillery</b>	An army unit that uses big guns. <i>Tanks and heavy <b>artillery</b>.</i>
<b>battalion</b>	A large organized group of people pursuing a common aim. <i>A <b>battalion</b> of ants.</i>
<b><u>brigade</u></b>	Form or unite into a brigade. <i>He commanded a <b>brigade</b> of 3 000 men.</i>
<b>brigadier</b>	A general officer ranking below a major general.
<b>cantonment</b>	A military garrison or camp.
<b><u>commander</u></b>	A rank of naval officer above lieutenant commander and below captain. <i>The <b>commander</b> of a paratroop regiment.</i>
<b>corps</b>	A main subdivision of an army in the field, consisting of two or more divisions. <i>Diplomatic <b>corps</b>.</i>
<b>demobilize</b>	Take (troops) out of active service, typically at the end of a war. <i>He was <b>demobilized</b> in February 1946.</i>
<b><u>devoted</u></b>	Given over to the display, study, or discussion of. <i>He was a <b>devoted</b> husband.</i>
<b><u>disarm</u></b>	Allay the hostility or suspicions of. <i>Police yesterday <b>disarmed</b> a parcel bomb.</i>
<b>disarmament</b>	The reduction or withdrawal of military forces and weapons. <i><b>Disarmament</b> treaties between America and the former Soviet Union.</i>
<b><u>empire</u></b>	An extensive sphere of activity controlled by one person or group. <i>He encouraged the Greeks in their dream of <b>empire</b> in Asia Minor.</i>
<b><u>forefront</u></b>	The part in the front or nearest the viewer. <i>The idea of motion was always to the <b>forefront</b> of his mind and central to his philosophy.</i>

<b>gun</b>	Used as a nickname for a ship's gunnery officer. <i>Two runners started before the <b>gun</b>.</i>
<b>inroad</b>	An encroachment or intrusion. <i>They made <b>inroads</b> in the United States market.</i>
<b>jingo</b>	A vociferous supporter of policy favouring war, especially in the name of patriotism. <i>The feverish excitement of the <b>jingo</b> crowds.</i>
<b>legion</b>	A vast number of people or things. <i>Palomar's fans are <b>legion</b>.</i>
<b>legionary</b>	A soldier in a Roman legion. <i>The <b>legionary</b> fortress of Isca.</i>
<b>muster</b>	Gather or bring together. <i>The city council was unable to <b>muster</b> enough votes to pass the measure.</i>
<b>nationalist</b>	Relating to nationalists or nationalism. <i>A Basque <b>nationalist</b>.</i>
<b>naval</b>	Connected with or belonging to or used in a navy. <i>A <b>naval</b> officer.</i>
<b>patriot</b>	One who loves and defends his or her country. <i>A true <b>patriot</b>.</i>
<b>regiment</b>	Form military personnel into a regiment. <i>Every aspect of their life is strictly <b>regimented</b>.</i>
<b>statesman</b>	A man who is a respected leader in national or international affairs. <i>Guests included members of the European royal families, diplomats, and statesmen.</i>
<b>top</b>	Covering for a hole especially a hole in the top of a container. <i>Fill the cup almost to the <b>top</b>.</i>
<b>turret</b>	A rotating holder for tools, especially on a lathe. <i>A castle with fairy tale <b>turrets</b>.</i>



