

Need another word that means the same as “vigil”? Find 15 synonyms and 30 related words for “vigil” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Vigil” are: watch, vigilance, close watch, monitoring, policing, surveillance, sentry duty, burial, burying, interment, entombment, committal, inhumation, laying to rest, consignment to the grave

Vigil as a Noun

Definitions of "Vigil" as a noun

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

- *A period of sleeplessness.*
- *(in the Christian Church) the eve of a festival or holy day as an occasion of religious observance.*
- *A purposeful surveillance to guard or observe.*
- *The rite of staying awake for devotional purposes (especially on the eve of a religious festival).*
- *Nocturnal devotions.*
- *A period of keeping awake during the time usually spent asleep, especially to keep watch or pray.*
- *A stationary, peaceful demonstration in support of a particular cause, typically without speeches.*



Synonyms of "Vigil" as a noun (15 Words)

burial	The action or practice of burying a dead body. <i>Burial mounds.</i>
burying	Concealing something under the ground.
close watch	The temporal end; the concluding time.
committal	The burial of a dead body. <i>His committal to prison.</i>
consignment to the grave	The delivery of goods for sale or disposal.
entombment	The ritual placing of a corpse in a grave. <i>The entombment of Christ.</i>
inhumation	A burial or buried corpse. <i>Cremation took over from inhumation as the dominant burial rite.</i>

interment	The burial of a corpse in a grave or tomb, typically with funeral rites. <i>The day of interment.</i>
laying to rest	The production of eggs (especially in birds).
monitoring	An ironclad vessel built by Federal forces to do battle with the Merrimac. <i>The monitoring of enemy communications plays an important role in war times.</i>
policing	The enforcement of regulations or an agreement. <i>A ten point plan to improve policing.</i>
sentry duty	A person employed to keep watch for some anticipated event.
surveillance	Close observation of a person or group (usually by the police). <i>He found himself put under surveillance by British military intelligence.</i>
<u>vigilance</u>	Vigilant attentiveness. <i>Security duties that demand long hours of vigilance.</i>
<u>watch</u>	The officers and crew on duty during a watch. <i>Murray took the last watch before dawn.</i>



Usage Examples of "Vigil" as a noun

- *The group held a candlelight vigil outside the jail.*
- *My birdwatching vigils lasted for hours.*
- *As he lay in a coma the family kept vigil.*



Associations of "Vigil" (30 Words)

- appeal** A shout of 'How's that?' or a similar call by a bowler or fielder to an umpire to declare a batsman out.
*I **appealed** to the law of 1900.*
- beg** Acquire food or money from someone by begging.
*She **begged** me to say nothing to her father.*
- beseech** Ask (someone) urgently and fervently to do something; implore; entreat.
*They earnestly **beseech**ed his forgiveness.*
- cadge** A padded wooden frame on which hooded hawks are carried to the field.
*He **cadged** fivers off old school friends.*
- carefulness** The quality of being careful and painstaking.
*I admired the **carefulness** of his work.*
- conjure** Engage in plotting or enter into a conspiracy, swear together.
*She had forgotten how to **conjure** up the image of her mother's face.*

dermatology	The branch of medicine concerned with the diagnosis and treatment of skin disorders.
<u>entreat</u>	Ask someone earnestly or anxiously to do something. <i>The King I fear hath ill entreated her.</i>
entreaty	An earnest or humble request. <i>An entreaty to stop the fighting.</i>
implore	Call upon in supplication; entreat. <i>I implore mercy.</i>
invocation	The act of appealing for help. <i>His invocation of the ancient powers of Callanish.</i>
nursing	The profession or practice of providing care for the sick and infirm. <i>A nursing sister.</i>
ophthalmology	The branch of medicine concerned with the study and treatment of disorders and diseases of the eye.
optometry	The practice of an optometrist.
pantheon	A monument commemorating a nation's dead heroes. <i>The deities of the Hindu pantheon.</i>
<u>petition</u>	Write a petition for something to somebody request formally and in writing. <i>A Highland chief petitioned her father for her hand in marriage.</i>
<u>plea</u>	A defendant's answer by a factual matter (as distinguished from a demurrer). <i>He made a dramatic plea for disarmament.</i>
<u>plead</u>	Make an allegation in an action or other legal proceeding especially answer the previous pleading of the other party by denying facts therein stated or by alleging new facts. <i>She was pleading insanity.</i>
podiatry	The treatment of the feet and their ailments; chiropody.
polytheism	Belief in multiple Gods. <i>The polytheism of the ancient Near East.</i>
<u>pray</u>	Address a deity a prophet a saint or an object of worship say a prayer. <i>And what pray was the purpose of that.</i>
<u>prayer</u>	Someone who prays to God. <i>It is our prayer that the current progress on human rights will be sustained.</i>

<u>protector</u>	The title of the head of state in England during the later period of the Commonwealth between 1653 and 1659, first Oliver Cromwell (1653-8), then his son Richard (1658-9). <i>A man who became her protector adviser and friend.</i>
psychiatric	Relating to or used in or engaged in the practice of psychiatry. <i>Psychiatric hospital.</i>
<u>solicitation</u>	Request for a sum of money. <i>A solicitation to the king for relief.</i>
suppliant	Humbly entreating. <i>A suppliant for her favors.</i>
supplicant	Making or expressing a plea, especially to someone in power or authority. <i>We are equals and not supplicants begging for work.</i>
supplicate	Ask for humbly or earnestly, as in prayer. <i>Supplicate God s blessing.</i>
supplication	The act of communicating with a deity (especially as a petition or in adoration or contrition or thanksgiving). <i>He fell to his knees in supplication.</i>
<u>watch</u>	The officers and crew on duty during a watch. <i>Sea air lots of exercise and four hour watches give everyone a healthy appetite.</i>

