

Need another word that means the same as “watch”? Find 99 synonyms and 30 related words for “watch” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Watch” are: catch, see, take in, view, ascertain, check, determine, find out, learn, look on, follow, keep an eye on, observe, watch over, look out, watch out, look at, eye, gaze at, stare at, gape at, peer at, spy on, keep watch on, keep in sight, keep track of, track, monitor, survey, keep under observation, keep under surveillance, look after, mind, take care of, care for, supervise, superintend, tend, attend to, minister to, foster, nurse, guard, safeguard, protect, stand guard over, keep guard on, shield, preserve, defend, screen, shelter, be careful about, be careful of, exercise care about, exercise caution about, exercise restraint about, look out for, wait for, await, stand by for, hold back for, be careful, be watchful, beware, be on the watch, be wary, be cautious, be on your guard, mind out, pay attention, take care, take heed, have a care, be on the alert, be on the lookout, keep a sharp lookout, be vigilant, be on the qui vive, lookout, lookout man, picket, scout, sentinel, sentry, spotter, vigil, ticker, timepiece, chronometer, small clock, timer, an eye, shift, stint, spell, stretch, turn

Watch as a Noun

Definitions of "Watch" as a noun

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

- *The rite of staying awake for devotional purposes (especially on the eve of a religious festival).*
- *A shift worked by firefighters or police officers.*
- *A flock of nightingales.*
- *A person employed to keep watch for some anticipated event.*
- *A small timepiece worn typically on a strap on one's wrist.*
- *The period during which someone (especially a guard) is on duty.*
- *A watchman or group of watchmen who patrolled and guarded the streets of a town before the introduction of the police force.*
- *A period during which a person is stationed to look out for danger or trouble, typically at night.*
- *A small portable timepiece.*
- *A film or programme considered in terms of its appeal to the public.*
- *A period of time (4 or 2 hours) during which some of a ship's crew are on duty.*
- *An act or instance of carefully observing someone or something over a period of time.*
- *The officers and crew on duty during a watch.*
- *A purposeful surveillance to guard or observe.*
- *A fixed period of duty on a ship, usually lasting four hours.*



Synonyms of "Watch" as a noun (20 Words)

an eye	The organ of sight.
chronometer	An instrument for measuring time accurately in spite of motion or variations in temperature, humidity, and air pressure.
guard	The person who plays the position of guard on a basketball team. <i>He was on guard that night.</i>
lookout	A structure commanding a wide view of its surroundings. <i>What if he gets fits It s a bad lookout in that case.</i>
lookout man	A person employed to keep watch for some anticipated event.
picket	A blockade of a workplace or other venue staged by a picket. <i>A picket of soldiers fired a volley over the coffin.</i>
scout	A honeybee that searches for a new site for a swarm to settle or for a new food source. <i>A scout vehicle.</i>
sentinel	A person employed to keep watch for some anticipated event. <i>A sentinel surveillance programme for influenza.</i>
sentry	A soldier stationed to keep guard or to control access to a place. <i>Two men stood sentry on the door every evening.</i>
shift	The group of people who work during a particular shift. <i>His constant shifting disrupted the class.</i>
small clock	A garment size for a small person.
spell	A time period for working (after which you will be relieved by someone else). <i>A spell of work.</i>
spotter	Someone who is the first to observe something. <i>Plane spotters.</i>
stint	An unbroken period of time during which you do something. <i>A collector with an eye for quality and the means to indulge it without stint.</i>
stretch	A stretch limo. <i>A chauffeur driven stretch.</i>
ticker	A character printer that automatically prints stock quotations on ticker tape.
timepiece	An instrument, such as a clock or watch, for measuring time.
timer	(sports) an official who keeps track of the time elapsed. <i>A video timer.</i>
turn	Turning or twisting around in place. <i>The turning of the wind.</i>

vigil

Nocturnal devotions.

The group held a candlelight **vigil** outside the jail.



Usage Examples of "Watch" as a noun

- *My watch had stopped.*
- *The men of Red Watch at Kingsland Fire Station.*
- *Murray took the last watch before dawn.*
- *A watch of nightingales began flying south.*
- *The security forces have been keeping a close watch on our activities.*
- *The woman, with a piercing shriek, called the watch.*
- *This movie's an engrossing watch.*
- *Sea air, lots of exercise, and four-hour watches give everyone a healthy appetite.*



Watch as a Verb

Definitions of "Watch" as a verb

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

- *Be careful (used as a warning or threat).*
- *Observe with attention.*
- *Look at or observe attentively over a period of time.*
- *Be vigilant, be on the lookout or be careful.*
- *See or watch.*
- *Exercise care, caution, or restraint about.*
- *Keep under careful, protective, or secret observation.*
- *Look out or be on the alert for.*
- *Follow with the eyes or the mind.*

- *Observe or determine by looking.*
- *Find out, learn, or determine with certainty, usually by making an inquiry or other effort.*
- *Look attentively.*
- *Follow closely or maintain an interest in.*
- *Remain awake for the purpose of religious observance.*
- *Observe and guard in a protective way.*



Synonyms of "Watch" as a verb (79 Words)

ascertain

Establish after a calculation, investigation, experiment, survey, or study.

*An attempt to **ascertain** the cause of the accident.*

attend to

Take charge of or deal with.

await

(of an event or circumstance) be in store for (someone).

*An eagerly **awaited** debut.*

be careful	Have life, be alive.
be careful about	Be priced at.
be careful of	Be identical or equivalent to.
be cautious	Be priced at.
be on the alert	Occupy a certain position or area.
be on the lookout	Have an existence, be extant.
be on the qui vive	To remain unmolested, undisturbed, or uninterrupted — used only in infinitive form.
be on the watch	Have the quality of being; (copula, used with an adjective or a predicate noun.
be on your guard	Have the quality of being; (copula, used with an adjective or a predicate noun.
be vigilant	Form or compose.
be wary	Be priced at.
be watchful	Occupy a certain position or area.
<u>beware</u>	Be on one's guard; be cautious or wary about; be alert to. <i>We should beware the incompetence of legislators.</i>
care for	Provide care for.
catch	Catch up with and possibly overtake. <i>Catch one's breath.</i>
check	Place into check. <i>Check your luggage before boarding.</i>
<u>defend</u>	Fight against or resist strongly. <i>They were forced to defend for long periods.</i>
determine	Find out learn or determine with certainty usually by making an inquiry or other effort. <i>She determined to tackle Stephen the next day.</i>
exercise care about	Do physical exercise.
exercise caution about	Put to use.
exercise restraint about	Learn by repetition.
eye	Look at closely or with interest. <i>Margot saw the women eyeing up her boyfriend.</i>
find out	Succeed in reaching; arrive at.
follow	Accept and follow the leadership or command or guidance of. <i>She followed a strict diet.</i>

foster	Bring up under fosterage of children. <i>When fostering out a child placement workers will be looking for a home similar to their own.</i>
gape at	Be wide open.
gaze at	Look at with fixed eyes.
guard	Stay close to (an opponent) in order to prevent them getting or passing the ball. <i>The gates were guarded by soldiers.</i>
have a care	Undergo.
hold back for	Cover as for protection against noise or smell.
keep a sharp lookout	Conform one's action or practice to.
keep an eye on	Store or keep customarily.
keep guard on	Keep under control; keep in check.
keep in sight	Have as a supply.
keep track of	Maintain for use and service.
keep under observation	Retain rights to.
keep under surveillance	Stop (someone or something) from doing something or being in a certain state.
keep watch on	Look after; be the keeper of; have charge of.
learn	Find out learn or determine with certainty usually by making an inquiry or other effort. <i>That ll learn you he chuckled.</i>
look after	Look forward to the probable occurrence of.
look at	Look forward to the probable occurrence of.
look on	Accord in appearance with.
look out	Search or seek.
look out for	Accord in appearance with.
mind	Keep in mind. <i>Mind out there s a step missing.</i>
mind out	Be in charge of or deal with.
minister to	Attend to the wants and needs of others.
monitor	Check, track, or observe by means of a receiver. <i>It was not easy to discover exactly how many calls were monitored.</i>

nurse	Work as a nurse. <i>Our political unity needs to be protected and nursed.</i>
<u>observe</u>	Observe with care or pay close attention to. <i>A stockbroker once observed that dealers live and work in hell.</i>
pay attention	Cancel or discharge a debt.
peer at	Look searchingly.
<u>preserve</u>	Prevent (food) from rotting. <i>A fight to preserve local democracy.</i>
protect	Use tariffs to favor domestic industry. <i>He tried to protect Kelly from the attack.</i>
safeguard	Protect from harm or damage with an appropriate measure. <i>A framework which safeguards employees from exploitation.</i>
<u>screen</u>	Pass a substance such as grain or coal through a large sieve or screen especially so as to sort it into different sizes. <i>Ensure that your microphone leads are properly screened from hum pickup.</i>
<u>see</u>	Go to see a place as for entertainment. <i>I ll go along to the club and see if I can get a game.</i>
<u>shelter</u>	Provide shelter for. <i>People were sheltering under store canopies and trees.</i>
<u>shield</u>	Protect, hide, or conceal from danger or harm. <i>They are shielding to protect their own health.</i>
spy on	Catch sight of; to perceive with the eyes.
stand by for	Withstand the force of something.
stand guard over	Be tall; have a height of; copula.
stare at	Look at with fixed eyes.
superintend	Be responsible for the management or arrangement of (an activity or organization); oversee. <i>He superintended a land reclamation scheme.</i>
<u>supervise</u>	Watch and direct. <i>The sergeant left to supervise the loading of the lorries.</i>
<u>survey</u>	Make a survey of for statistical purposes. <i>The investigator surveyed the attitudes and beliefs held by residents.</i>
take care	Proceed along in a vehicle.
take care of	Receive willingly something given or offered.

take heed	Proceed along in a vehicle.
take in	Take into one's possession.
tend	Have a tendency or disposition to do or be something be inclined. Tend a store.
track	Of wheels run so that the back ones are exactly in the track of the front ones. Track mud into the house.
view	See (a fox) break cover. She views this quite differently from me.
wait for	Look forward to the probable occurrence of.
watch out	Look attentively.
watch over	See or watch.



Usage Examples of "Watch" as a verb

- *Everyone stopped to watch what was going on.*
- *Most women watch their diet during pregnancy.*
- *The girls watched the development of this relationship with incredulity.*
- *As she watched, two women came into the garden.*

- *There aren't enough staff to watch him properly.*
- *You should watch what you say!*
- *If anyone finds out, you're dead meat, so watch it.*
- *I guess I can rest a while, with you here to watch over me.*
- *The world is watching Sarajevo.*
- *Credit card fraud is on the increase, so watch out.*
- *Watch out for broken glass.*
- *They watched as the murderer was executed.*
- *In spring and summer, watch for kingfishers.*
- *Lucy watched him go.*
- *He told me my telephones were tapped and that I was being watched.*
- *She watched whole nights in the church.*
- *Watch a basketball game.*



Associations of "Watch" (30 Words)

attentive	Paying close attention to something. <i>Ministers should be more attentive to the interests of taxpayers.</i>
check	Write out a check on a bank account. <i>I checked my bag and got my boarding pass.</i>
gaze	Look steadily and intently, especially in admiration, surprise, or thought. <i>Offices screened from the public gaze.</i>
glance	Throw a glance at take a brief look at. <i>Fish sporting with quick glance Show to the Sun their wavy coats.</i>
inspect	Examine (someone or something) to ensure that they reach an official standard. <i>Customs officers came aboard to inspect our documents.</i>
inspector	A police officer ranking below a chief inspector. <i>A prison inspector.</i>
intently	With earnest and eager attention. <i>Everybody was listening intently.</i>
leer	Look or gaze in a lascivious or unpleasant way. <i>He gave me a sly leer.</i>
look	An expression of a feeling or thought by looking. <i>Let me get a closer look.</i>
lookout	A view over a landscape. <i>A lookout point with breathtaking views.</i>
monitor	Display produced by a device that takes signals and displays them on a television screen or a computer monitor. <i>It was not easy to discover exactly how many calls were monitored.</i>
observant	Adhering strictly to laws and rules and customs. <i>An observant Jew.</i>
observe	Observe with care or pay close attention to. <i>The behaviour observed in groups of chimpanzees.</i>
oversee	Supervise (a person or their work), especially in an official capacity. <i>The Home Secretary oversees the police service.</i>
peek	A quick or furtive look. <i>His socks were so full of holes his toes peeked through.</i>
petrify	Cause to become stonelike or stiff or dazed and stunned. <i>Slogans petrify our thinking.</i>

see	Go to see a place as for entertainment. <i>Berlin does not want to be seen to be taking sides in the French election.</i>
seeing	The action of seeing someone or something. <i>He had given the seeing as fair.</i>
sentinel	Station a soldier or guard by (a place) to keep watch. <i>A sentinel surveillance programme for influenza.</i>
sentry	A person employed to keep watch for some anticipated event. <i>Two men stood sentry on the door every evening.</i>
spectacle	A blunder that makes you look ridiculous used in the phrase make a spectacle of yourself. <i>The acrobatic feats make a good spectacle.</i>
stare	A fixed look with eyes open wide. <i>The students stared at the teacher with amazement.</i>
staring	Without qualification; used informally as (often pejorative) intensifiers. <i>Staring eyes.</i>
superintend	Be responsible for the management or arrangement of (an activity or organization); oversee. <i>He superintended a land reclamation scheme.</i>
supervise	Keep tabs on; keep an eye on; keep under surveillance. <i>The sergeant left to supervise the loading of the lorries.</i>
surveillance	Close observation of a person or group (usually by the police). <i>He found himself put under surveillance by British military intelligence.</i>
vigilant	Keeping careful watch for possible danger or difficulties. <i>The vigilant eye of the town watch.</i>
visibility	Quality or fact or degree of being visible; perceptible by the eye or obvious to the eye. <i>That candidate does not have sufficient visibility to win an election.</i>
watchdog	A dog trained to guard property. <i>How can we watchdog our investments.</i>
watchful	Watching someone or something closely; alert and vigilant. <i>They attended dances under the watchful eye of their father.</i>

