

Need another word that means the same as “watchdog”? Find 8 synonyms and 30 related words for “watchdog” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Watchdog” are: guard dog, house dog, ombudsman, monitor, scrutineer, inspector, observer, supervisor**

## Watchdog as a Noun

### Definitions of "Watchdog" as a noun

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

- *A dog kept to guard private property.*
- *A guardian or defender against theft or illegal practices or waste.*
- *A person or group that monitors the practices of companies providing a particular service or utility.*
- *A dog trained to guard property.*



## Synonyms of "Watchdog" as a noun (8 Words)

<b>guard dog</b>	A position on a basketball team.
<b>house dog</b>	A dwelling that serves as living quarters for one or more families.
<b>inspector</b>	A police officer ranking below a chief inspector. <i>A prison <b>inspector</b>.</i>
<b>monitor</b>	A person operating a monitor. <i>He was a school <b>monitor</b> and a choir boy.</i>
<b>observer</b>	A person who becomes aware (of things or events) through the senses. <i>Some <b>observers</b> expect interest rates to rise.</i>
<b>ombudsman</b>	An official appointed to investigate individuals' complaints against a company or organization, especially a public authority.
<b>scrutineer</b>	A person who supervises the conduct of an election or competition. <i>Independent strike ballot <b>scrutineers</b>.</i>

**supervisor** A program that controls the execution of other programs.



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

- *She is the global watchdog for human rights abuses.*
- *The consumer watchdog for transport in London.*





## Associations of "Watchdog" (30 Words)

<b>agency</b>	How a result is obtained or an end is achieved. <i>She has free <b>agency</b>.</i>
<b>alert</b>	A warning serves to make you more alert to danger. <i>Traffic was halted during the <b>alert</b>.</i>
<b>attentive</b>	Taking heed; giving close and thoughtful attention. <i><b>Attentive</b> to details.</i>
<b>audit</b>	Attend (a class) informally, without working for credit. <i>A method of <b>auditing</b> obstetric and neonatal care.</i>
<b>canny</b>	Showing self-interest and shrewdness in dealing with others. <i>She s a <b>canny</b> lass.</i>
<b>careful</b>	Exercising caution or showing care or attention. <i>Be <b>careful</b> to keep her shoes clean.</i>

<b>censor</b>	Subject to political religious or moral censorship. <i>The letters she received were <b>censored</b>.</i>
<b>check</b>	A move by which a piece or pawn directly attacks the opponent's king and by which the king may be checkmated. <i><b>Check</b> your facts.</i>
<b>conscious</b>	(of an action or feeling) deliberate and intentional. <i>A <b>conscious</b> effort to walk properly.</i>
<b>examination</b>	The action or process of conducting an examination. <i>A medical <b>examination</b> is conducted without delay.</i>
<u><b>gaze</b></u>	Look at with fixed eyes. <i>He could only <b>gaze</b> at her in astonishment.</i>
<u><b>infiltrate</b></u>	Gradually permeate or become a part of. <i>One of the tumours <b>infiltrated</b> the submucosa.</i>
<b>inspect</b>	Examine (someone or something) to ensure that they reach an official standard. <i>Please <b>inspect</b> your father's will carefully.</i>
<b>inspection</b>	Careful examination or scrutiny. <i>On closer <b>inspection</b> it looked like a fossil.</i>
<b>investigate</b>	Investigate scientifically. <i>The district attorney's office <b>investigated</b> reports of possible irregularities.</i>
<b>monitor</b>	A person operating a monitor. <i>Equipment was installed to <b>monitor</b> air quality.</i>
<b>observant</b>	Adhering strictly to laws and rules and customs. <i>An <b>observant</b> Jew.</i>
<b>organization</b>	The act of forming or establishing something. <i>His compulsive <b>organization</b> was not an endearing quality.</i>
<u><b>oversee</b></u>	Supervise (a person or their work), especially in an official capacity. <i>The Home Secretary <b>oversees</b> the police service.</i>
<b>reconnoiter</b>	Explore, often with the goal of finding something or somebody.
<b>sleepless</b>	Experiencing or accompanied by sleeplessness Shakespeare. <i>Another <b>sleepless</b> night.</i>
<u><b>spy</b></u>	A person employed by a government or other organization to secretly obtain information on an enemy or competitor. <i>A <b>spy</b> camera.</i>
<u><b>stare</b></u>	Fixate one's eyes. <i>The obituaries <b>stared</b> out at us.</i>

<b><u>supervise</u></b>	Watch and direct. <i>The prisoners were <b>supervised</b> by two officers.</i>
<b>surveillance</b>	Close observation of a person or group (usually by the police). <i>He found himself put under <b>surveillance</b> by British military intelligence.</i>
<b><u>survey</u></b>	A written report detailing the findings of a building survey. <i>The building society will insist that you have a <b>survey</b> done.</i>
<b>vigilant</b>	Carefully observant or attentive; on the lookout for possible danger. <i>The burglar was spotted by <b>vigilant</b> neighbours.</i>
<b>wary</b>	Openly distrustful and unwilling to confide. <i>Taught to be <b>wary</b> of strangers.</i>
<b><u>watch</u></b>	A watchman or group of watchmen who patrolled and guarded the streets of a town before the introduction of the police force. <i>In spring and summer <b>watch</b> for kingfishers.</i>
<b>watchful</b>	Experiencing or accompanied by sleeplessness- Shakespeare. <i>They attended dances under the <b>watchful</b> eye of their father.</i>

