

Need another word that means the same as “whim”? Find 25 synonyms and 30 related words for “whim” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Whim” are: caprice, impulse, notion, whimsey, whimsy, urge, fancy, foible, idea, conceit, vagary, kink, megrim, crotchet, craze, fad, passion, inclination, bent, capriciousness, volatility, fickleness, idiosyncrasy, eccentricity, unpredictability

Whim as a Noun

Definitions of "Whim" as a noun

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

- *A sudden desire or change of mind, especially one that is unusual or unexplained.*
- *An odd or fanciful or capricious idea.*
- *A windlass for raising ore or water from a mine.*
- *A sudden desire.*



Synonyms of "Whim" as a noun (25 Words)

bent	Grass for pastures and lawns especially bowling and putting greens. <i>He had a bent for it.</i>
caprice	A sudden and unaccountable change of mood or behaviour. <i>The caprices of the electorate.</i>
capriciousness	The quality of being guided by sudden unpredictable impulses.
conceit	The trait of being unduly vain and conceited false pride. <i>He was puffed up with conceit.</i>
craze	State of violent mental agitation. <i>The new craze for step aerobics.</i>
crotchet	A perverse or unfounded belief or notion. <i>The natural crotchets of inveterate bachelors.</i>
eccentricity	A measure of the extent of deviation from circularity. <i>The eccentricity of his views.</i>

fad	An arbitrary like or dislike. <i>He always follows the latest fads.</i>
fancy	Something many people believe that is false. <i>She had dismissed him quite brutally relegating him to the status of a passing fancy or less.</i>
fickleness	Unfaithfulness by virtue of being unreliable or treacherous. <i>The fickleness of youth.</i>
foible	The weaker part of a sword's blade from the forte to the tip. <i>They have to tolerate each other's little foibles.</i>
idea	An approximate calculation of quantity or degree or worth. <i>It was not a good idea.</i>
idiosyncrasy	An abnormal physical reaction by an individual to a food or drug. <i>One of his little idiosyncrasies was always preferring to be in the car first.</i>
<u>impulse</u>	A change of momentum produced by an impulse equivalent to the average value of the force multiplied by the time during which it acts. <i>Ability to communicate motion by impulse.</i>
inclination	The angle that a magnetic needle makes with the plane of the horizon. <i>My inborn inclination for things with moving parts.</i>
kink	A flaw or obstacle in a plan, operation, etc. <i>Though the system is making some headway there are still some kinks to iron out.</i>
megrim	Depression; low spirits. <i>Exercise could banish most megrims.</i>
notion	(usually plural) small personal articles or clothing or sewing items. <i>She had a notion to ring her friend at work.</i>
passion	Any object of warm affection or devotion. <i>Modern furniture is a particular passion of Bill's.</i>
unpredictability	The trait of being unpredictably irresolute. <i>The constant element of unpredictability keeps the show fresh.</i>
urge	An instinctive motive. <i>Why this urge to travel.</i>
vagary	An unexpected and inexplicable change in a situation or in someone's behaviour. <i>The vagaries of the weather.</i>
volatility	Liability to display rapid changes of emotion. <i>A week of historic stock market volatility.</i>

whimsey

An odd or fanciful or capricious idea.

whimsy

The trait of acting unpredictably and more from whim or caprice than from reason or judgment.

Whimsy can be humorous to someone with time to enjoy it.



Usage Examples of "Whim" as a noun

- *He had a whimsy about flying to the moon.*
- *She bought it on a whim.*
- *Whimsy can be humorous to someone with time to enjoy it.*
- *He appeared and disappeared at whim.*



Associations of "Whim" (30 Words)

blotch

Mark with spots or blotches of different color or shades of color as if stained.

*Red **blotches** on her face.*

caprice

A sudden and unaccountable change of mood or behaviour.

*The **caprice** was divided into a theme and eleven variations.*

capricious

Changeable.

*A **capricious** refusal.*

disposition	The way in which something is placed or arranged, especially in relation to other things. <i>The prerogative gives the state widespread powers regarding the disposition and control of the armed forces.</i>
excitable	(of tissue or a cell) responsive to stimulation. <i>A rather excitable young man.</i>
impel	Urge or force (a person) to an action; constrain or motivate. <i>Financial difficulties impelled him to desperate measures.</i>
impulse	A change of momentum produced by an impulse equivalent to the average value of the force multiplied by the time during which it acts. <i>Electrical impulses.</i>
impulsive	Acting or done without forethought. <i>The approaching waves contain an impulsive component.</i>
inclination	The action of inclining the body or head. <i>Fanny showed little inclination to talk about anything serious.</i>
kleptomania	An irresistible impulse to steal in the absence of any economic motive.
leaning	A tendency or partiality of a particular kind. <i>His early leanings towards socialism.</i>
mood	The atmosphere or pervading tone of something. <i>Mood music.</i>
notion	A conception of or belief about something. <i>The theatrical notion of disguise is associated with disaster in his stories.</i>
predispose	Make someone liable or inclined to a specified attitude, action, or condition. <i>This illness predisposes you to gain weight.</i>
preference	A strong liking. <i>Debts owed to the community should be accorded a preference.</i>
proclivity	A natural inclination. <i>A proclivity for hard work.</i>
proneness	Being disposed to do something. <i>Accident proneness.</i>
propensity	An inclination or natural tendency to behave in a particular way. <i>His propensity for violence.</i>
psychological	(of an ailment or problem) having a mental rather than a physical cause. <i>It was concluded that her pain was psychological.</i>
pyromania	An uncontrollable desire to set fire to things.

pyromaniac	A person with a mania for setting things on fire. <i>A ten year old pyromaniac.</i>
<u>streak</u>	Cover a surface with streaks. <i>The singer admitted to streaking in his home town in the seventies.</i>
temperament	The adjustment of intervals in tuning a piano or other musical instrument so as to fit the scale for use in different keys in equal temperament the octave consists of twelve equal semitones. <i>This temperament became standard tuning for all the new organs.</i>
<u>tendency</u>	A group within a larger political party or movement. <i>The shoreward tendency of the current.</i>
<u>trend</u>	(of a topic) be the subject of many posts on a social media website or application within a short period of time. <i>Unemployment has been trending upwards.</i>
<u>uncertain</u>	Not able to be relied on; not known or definite. <i>A gun with a rather uncertain trigger.</i>
<u>uncertainty</u>	Something that is uncertain or that causes one to feel uncertain. <i>Times of uncertainty and danger.</i>
<u>unpredictable</u>	Not able to be predicted; changeable. <i>The unpredictable weather of the Scottish islands.</i>
vagary	An unexpected and inexplicable change in something (in a situation or a person's behavior, etc). <i>The vagaries of the weather.</i>
whimsy	Playfully quaint or fanciful behaviour or humour. <i>Whimsy can be humorous to someone with time to enjoy it.</i>

