

Need another word that means the same as “wink”? Find 36 synonyms and 30 related words for “wink” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Wink” are: blink, blink away, flash, twinkle, winkle, nictate, nictitate, flutter, bat, turn a blind eye to, close one's eyes to, shut one's eyes to, ignore, overlook, disregard, pretend not to notice, sparkle, flicker, glitter, gleam, shimmer, shine, blink of an eye, heartbeat, instant, jiffy, split second, trice, twinkling, blinking, eye blink, nictation, nictitation, winking

Wink as a Noun

Definitions of "Wink" as a noun

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

- *A very short time (as the time it takes the eye to blink or the heart to beat).*
- *An act of winking.*
- *A reflex that closes and opens the eyes rapidly.*
- *Closing one eye quickly as a signal.*



Synonyms of "Wink" as a noun (14 Words)

blink	An act of shutting and opening the eyes very quickly. <i>Feargal would have given her all this without a blink.</i>
blink of an eye	A reflex that closes and opens the eyes rapidly.
blinking	A reflex that closes and opens the eyes rapidly.
eye blink	A small hole or loop (as in a needle).
flash	A newsflash. <i>If I had the chance I d do it in a flash.</i>
heartbeat	An animating or vital unifying force. <i>New York is the commercial heartbeat of America.</i>
<u>instant</u>	Instant coffee. <i>Come here this instant.</i>
jiffy	A very short time (as the time it takes the eye to blink or the heart to beat). <i>We ll be back in a jiffy.</i>

nictation	The action or process of blinking.
nictitation	Winking or blinking; the action or habit of moving the eyelids; an instance of this.
split second	Division of a group into opposing factions.
trice	A very short time (as the time it takes the eye to blink or the heart to beat.
<u>twinkling</u>	A very short time (as the time it takes the eye to blink or the heart to beat.
winking	A reflex that closes and opens the eyes rapidly.



Usage Examples of "Wink" as a noun

- *Barney gave him a knowing wink.*



Wink as a Verb

Definitions of "Wink" as a verb

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

- *Briefly shut the eyes.*
- *Close and open one eye quickly, typically to indicate that something is a joke or a secret or as a signal of affection or greeting.*
- *(of a bright object or a light) shine or flash intermittently.*
- *Gleam or glow intermittently.*
- *Force to go away by blinking.*
- *Keep back by blinking.*
- *Pretend not to notice (something bad or illegal).*
- *Signal by winking.*



Synonyms of "Wink" as a verb (22 Words)

bat

Strike with or as if with a baseball bat.
*Who s **batting**.*

blink

Keep back by blinking.
*She **blinked** away her tears.*

blink away

Briefly shut the eyes.

close one's eyes to

Complete a business deal, negotiation, or an agreement.

disregard

Refuse to acknowledge.
*The body of evidence is too substantial to **disregard**.*

flash

(of a person's eyes) indicate sudden emotion, especially anger.
*An irritating neon sign **flashed** on and off.*

flicker

Flash intermittently.
*Her eyelids **flickered**.*

flutter

(of a bird or other winged creature) fly unsteadily or hover by flapping the wings quickly and lightly.

*A couple of butterflies **fluttered** around the garden.*

gleam

(of a smooth surface or object) reflect light because well polished.

*Affection **gleamed** in her large green eyes.*

glitter

Be shiny, as if wet.

*Her eyes **glittered** with excitement.*

ignore

Refuse to acknowledge.

*He **ignored** her outraged question.*

nictate

Blink.

*The lid of her left eye began to **nictate**.*

nictitate

Briefly shut the eyes.

overlook

Look down on.

*He was **overlooked** by the Nobel committee.*

pretend not to notice

Make believe with the intent to deceive.

shimmer

Give off a shimmering reflection as of silk.

*Beech leaves **shimmered** in the moonlight.*

shine

Make a surface shine.

*Tonight he will have a chance to **shine** and win a world boxing title.*

shut one's eyes to

Become closed.

sparkle

Become bubbly or frothy or foaming.

*Her earrings **sparkled** as she turned her head.*

turn a blind eye to

Become officially one year older.

twinkle

(of a person's feet) move lightly and rapidly.

*The smile made her face crease and her eyes **twinkle**.*

winkle

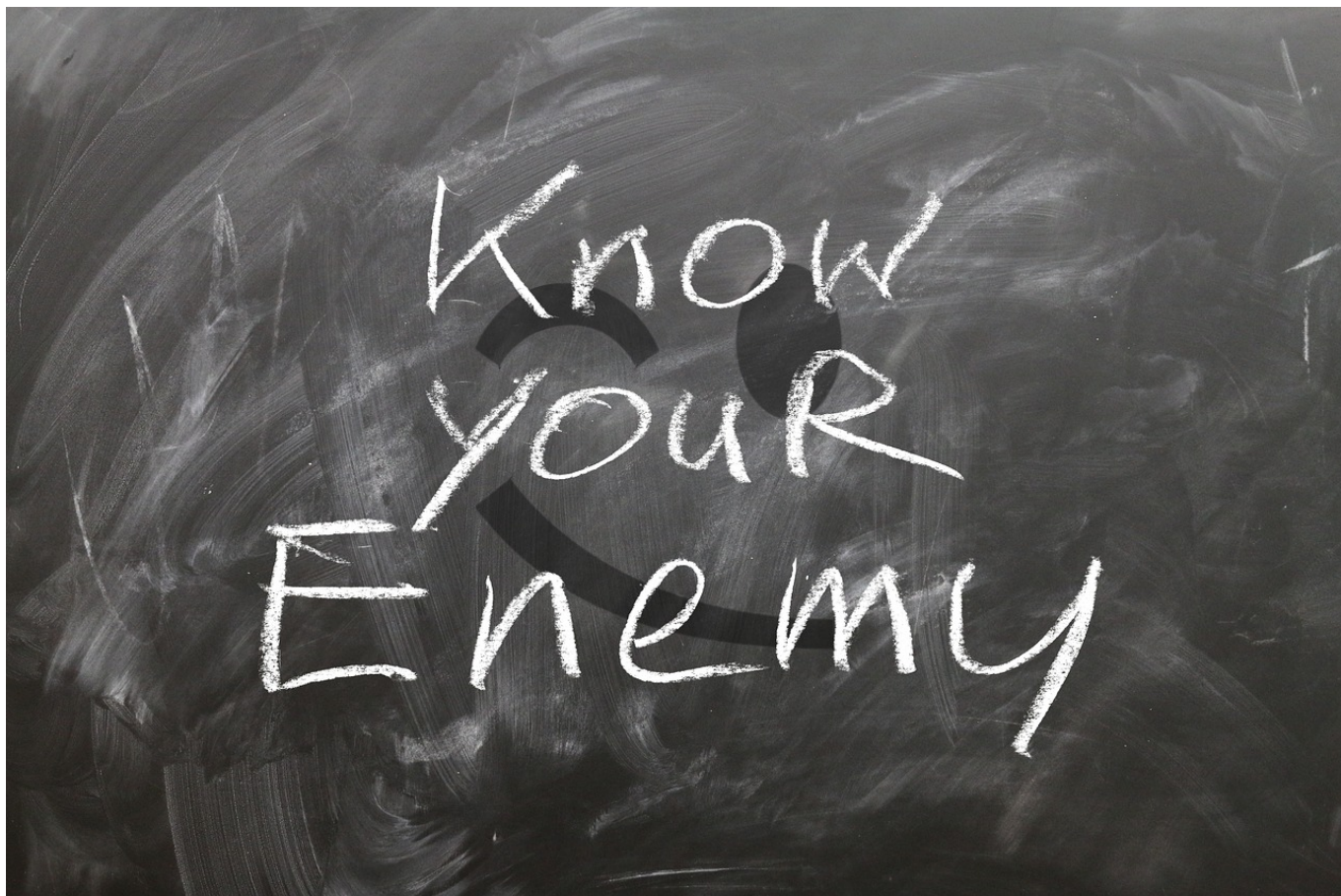
Remove or displace from a position.

*Does a constellation **twinkle** more brightly than a single star.*



Usage Examples of "Wink" as a verb

- *The authorities winked at their illegal trade.*
- *She winked at him.*
- *He winked at Nicole as he passed.*
- *The diamond on her finger winked in the moonlight.*



Associations of "Wink" (30 Words)

approvingly	In an approving manner. <i>Several heads nodded approvingly at this concept.</i>
blink	Try to control or prevent tears by blinking. <i>I blinked in astonishment.</i>
blinking	A reflex that closes and opens the eyes rapidly. <i>He stood blinking in the bright sunlight.</i>
eye	The visual or light detecting organ of many invertebrate animals that corresponds to the eye of humans and vertebrate animals. <i>To European eyes it may seem that the city is overcrowded.</i>
eyelid	Either of two folds of skin that can be moved to cover or open the eye.
flicker	(of someone's eyes) move quickly in a particular direction in order to look at something. <i>The candle flickered.</i>

flickering	(of a flame or light) burning or shining unsteadily; wavering. <i>The flickering flames cast long shadows.</i>
freshen	Add more liquid to (a drink); top up. <i>The westerly wind freshened and howled dismally.</i>
froth	Become bubbly or frothy or foaming. <i>Users found it easy to froth milk for cappuccino.</i>
<u>gleam</u>	A flash of light (especially reflected light). <i>Her eyes gleamed with satisfaction.</i>
glimmer	A faint or wavering light. <i>The moonlight glimmered on the lawn.</i>
glint	A spatially localized brightness. <i>Her glasses glinted in the firelight.</i>
glisten	The quality of shining with a bright reflected light. <i>There was a glisten of perspiration across her top lip.</i>
<u>glistening</u>	Shining with a sparkling light. <i>Glistening bodies of swimmers.</i>
<u>grin</u>	Grimace grotesquely so as to reveal the teeth. <i>She grinned her approval.</i>
<u>instant</u>	Instant coffee. <i>An instant desire to blame others when things go wrong.</i>
laugh	Something that causes laughter a source of fun amusement or derision. <i>He rarely smiled or laughed.</i>
<u>mischievous</u>	Naughtily or annoyingly playful. <i>A mischievous allegation for which there is not a shred of evidence.</i>
moment	A quantity that expresses the average or expected value of the first second third or fourth power of the deviation of each component of a frequency distribution from a given value typically mean or zero The first moment is the mean the second moment the variance the third moment the skew and the fourth moment the kurtosis. <i>Wait just a moment.</i>
<u>nod</u>	Signify or express greeting assent or understanding by nodding. <i>Henry noded the ball over the line.</i>
<u>quiver</u>	Move with or as if with a regular alternating motion. <i>The bird runs along in a zigzag path quivering its wings.</i>
<u>shiny</u>	Having a shiny surface or coating. <i>Saw the moon like a shiny dime on a deep blue velvet carpet.</i>

smile	Express with a smile. <i>She greeted us all with a smile.</i>
smiling	Smiling with happiness or optimism. <i>Smiling is still a big part of the job.</i>
spark	Emit or produce sparks. <i>A tiny spark of anger flared within her.</i>
<u>sparkle</u>	A glittering flash of light. <i>There was a sparkle in his eyes.</i>
<u>sparkling</u>	(of a drink) effervescent; fizzy. <i>Her sparkling blue eyes.</i>
trigger	Release or pull the trigger on. <i>He pulled the trigger of the shotgun.</i>
<u>twinkle</u>	(of a person's feet) move lightly and rapidly. <i>His sandalled feet twinkled over the ground.</i>
<u>twinkling</u>	(of a person's eyes) sparkling, especially with amusement. <i>Twinkling eyes happy smiles.</i>

