

Need another word that means the same as “wish”? Find 44 synonyms and 30 related words for “wish” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Wish” are: care, like, wish well, bid, desire, want, hope for, long for, yearn for, crave, hunger for, thirst for, covet, sigh for, pine for, dream of, have an inclination, be inclined, feel inclined, feel like, require, compliments, regard, wishing, longing, hope, yearning, inclination, urge, whim, craving, hunger, thirst, lust, request, requirement, bidding, instruction, direction, demand, order, command

Wish as a Noun

Definitions of "Wish" as a noun

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

- *A thing that is or has been wished for.*
- *(usually plural) a polite expression of desire for someone's welfare.*
- *An invocation or recitation of a hope or desire.*
- *A specific feeling of desire.*
- *The particular preference that you have.*
- *An expression of some desire or inclination.*
- *A desire or hope for something to happen.*
- *An expression of a hope for someone's success, happiness, or welfare.*

- A polite expression of desire for someone's welfare.
- An expression of a desire, typically in the form of a request or instruction.



Synonyms of "Wish" as a noun (23 Words)

- bidding** The prices offered during the course of bidding for something.
*They came at his **bidding**.*
- command** The power or authority to command.
*An admiral in **command**.*
- compliments** (usually plural) a polite expression of desire for someone's welfare.
- craving** A powerful desire for something.
*A **craving** for chocolate.*
- demand** The act of demanding.
*The kidnapper s exorbitant **demands** for money.*
- desire** Something that is desired.
*He resisted public **desires** for choice in education.*

direction	Something that provides direction or advice as to a decision or course of action. <i>Any dialogue between them is a step in the right direction.</i>
hope	Grounds for feeling hopeful about the future. <i>He looked through her belongings in the hope of coming across some information.</i>
<u>hunger</u>	A severe lack of food. <i>She was faint with hunger.</i>
inclination	A person's natural tendency or urge to act or feel in a particular way; a disposition. <i>My inborn inclination for things with moving parts.</i>
instruction	Directions to a solicitor or counsel, or to a jury. <i>Our instruction was carefully programmed.</i>
<u>longing</u>	A yearning desire. <i>A tale of love and longing.</i>
order	The position in which a rifle is held after ordering arms. <i>We shall consider these questions in the inverse order of their presentation.</i>
regard	The condition of being honored esteemed or respected or well regarded. <i>Give him my kind regards.</i>
request	The verbal act of requesting. <i>The computer is busy servicing requests from other processes.</i>
requirement	A thing that is compulsory; a necessary condition. <i>Allow farmers to buy their requirements under favorable conditions.</i>
thirst	A strong desire for something. <i>He is oblivious to all the thirst around him.</i>
urge	A strong restless desire. <i>Sexual urges.</i>
want	The state of being poor and in need of essentials; poverty. <i>I tried to supply his wants.</i>
<u>whim</u>	A sudden desire or change of mind, especially one that is unusual or unexplained. <i>She bought it on a whim.</i>
wishing	A specific feeling of desire. <i>He was above all wishing and desire.</i>
yearning	Prolonged unfulfilled desire or need. <i>He felt a yearning for the mountains.</i>



Usage Examples of "Wish" as a noun

- *He got his wish.*
- *The union has reiterated its wish for an agreement.*
- *It was his last wish.*
- *He makes a wish.*
- *Her wish to be a mother.*
- *He was above all wishing and desire.*
- *They should respect the wishes of the people.*
- *The Queen had sent her best wishes for a speedy recovery.*
- *I could tell that it was his wish that the guests leave.*
- *The petitioners eventually got their wish.*
- *My best wishes.*
- *She must carry out her late father's wishes.*



Wish as a Verb

Definitions of "Wish" as a verb

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

- *Want to do something.*
- *Hope for; have a wish.*
- *Want (something) to be done or happen.*
- *Order politely; express a wish for.*
- *Express a hope that (someone) enjoys (happiness or success).*
- *Make or express a wish.*
- *Feel or express a desire or hope concerning the future or fortune of.*
- *Prefer or wish to do something.*
- *Hope that (someone) has to deal with someone or something undesirable.*

- *Feel or express a strong desire or hope for something that cannot or probably will not happen.*
- *Want (someone) to do or have something.*
- *Invoke upon.*



Synonyms of "Wish" as a verb (21 Words)

be inclined	Be identical to; be someone or something.
bid	Make a statement during the auction undertaking to make a certain number of tricks with a stated suit as trumps if the bid is successful and one becomes the declarer. <i>Bid</i> farewell.
care	Provide care for. <i>I don t care.</i>
<u>covet</u>	Wish, long, or crave for (something, especially the property of another person). <i>I covet one of their smart bags.</i>

crave	Ask for. <i>Will craved for family life.</i>
desire	Express a desire for. <i>He never achieved the status he so desired.</i>
dream of	Have a daydream; indulge in a fantasy.
feel inclined	Produce a certain impression.
feel like	Undergo passive experience of.
have an inclination	Cause to move; cause to be in a certain position or condition.
hope for	Expect and wish.
hunger for	Feel the need to eat.
like	Feel about or towards; consider, evaluate, or regard. <i>I like jogging.</i>
long for	Desire strongly or persistently.
pine for	Have a desire for something or someone who is not present.
require	Require as useful just or proper. <i>It would have required much research to produce a comprehensive list.</i>
sigh for	Heave or utter a sigh; breathe deeply and heavily.
thirst for	Feel the need to drink.
want	Hunt or look for want for a particular reason. <i>You don't want to believe everything you hear.</i>
wish well	Feel or express a desire or hope concerning the future or fortune of.
yearn for	Desire strongly or persistently.



Usage Examples of "Wish" as a verb

- *They wish to become involved.*
- *They wish her every success.*
- *I wish that Christmas were over.*
- *We wished for peace.*
- *Wish you a nice evening.*
- *I wish it to be clearly understood.*
- *Anne wishes me to visit her.*
- *He wished that he had practised the routines.*
- *He wouldn't wish Arthur on anyone.*
- *I wish I could go home now.*



Associations of "Wish" (30 Words)

auspice

A favorable omen.

bid

Make a statement during the auction undertaking to make a certain number of tricks with a stated suit as trumps if the bid is successful and one becomes the declarer.

***Bid** farewell.*

blessedness

A state of supreme happiness.

covet

Yearn to possess (something, especially something belonging to another).
*I **covet** one of their smart bags.*

covetous	Having or showing a great desire to possess something belonging to someone else. <i> Casting covetous eyes on his neighbor s fields.</i>
<u>crave</u>	Plead or ask for earnestly. <i> Will craved for family life.</i>
desideratum	Something desired as a necessity. <i> Integrity was a desideratum.</i>
desire	Something that is desired. <i> He never achieved the status he so desired.</i>
<u>desperate</u>	Desperately determined. <i> I am desperate for a cigarette.</i>
<u>destiny</u>	Your overall circumstances or condition in life (including everything that happens to you). <i> We are helpless in the face of destiny.</i>
<u>envious</u>	Feeling or showing envy. <i> An envious glance.</i>
envy	A person or thing that inspires envy. <i> She felt a twinge of envy for the people on board.</i>
<u>fate</u>	Three goddesses who presided over the birth and life of humans. Each person's destiny was thought of as a thread spun, measured, and cut by the three Fates, Clotho, Lachesis, and Atropos. <i> The regime was fated to end badly.</i>
foreordination	Being determined in advance; especially the doctrine (usually associated with Calvin) that God has foreordained every event throughout eternity (including the final salvation of mankind).
<u>fortunate</u>	Having unexpected good fortune. <i> A most fortunate match for our daughter.</i>
fortunately	It is fortunate that. <i> Fortunately the weather was good.</i>
<u>fortune</u>	Chance or luck as an arbitrary force affecting human affairs. <i> He is credited with turning round the company s fortunes.</i>
grasping	The act of gripping something firmly with the hands (or the tentacles). <i> Grasping commercialism.</i>
hope	Grounds for feeling hopeful about the future. <i> I hope that the kids are OK.</i>
hopefully	In a hopeful manner. <i> He rode on hopefully.</i>

jealous	Feeling or showing a resentful suspicion that one's partner is attracted to or involved with someone else. <i>She was always jealous of me.</i>
luck	An unknown and unpredictable phenomenon that causes an event to result one way rather than another. <i>They say luck is a lady.</i>
lucky	Presaging or likely to bring good luck. <i>Lucky stars.</i>
miraculous	Of the nature of a miracle or having the power to work miracles. <i>A miraculous cure.</i>
promise	Promise to undertake or give. <i>She made him promise that he wouldn't do it again.</i>
superstition	An irrational belief arising from ignorance or fear. <i>She touched her locket for luck a superstition she'd had since childhood.</i>
tallow	Smear something especially the bottom of a boat with tallow. <i>I tallowed my boats with our candles.</i>
want	Feel or have a desire for want strongly. <i>I tried to supply his wants.</i>
wishing	A specific feeling of desire. <i>He was above all wishing and desire.</i>
zeal	Great energy or enthusiasm in pursuit of a cause or an objective. <i>He felt a kind of religious zeal.</i>

