

Need another word that means the same as “abject”? Find 34 synonyms and 30 related words for “abject” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Abject” are: unhopeful, low, low-down, miserable, scummy, scurvy, wretched, hopeless, pathetic, pitiful, pitiable, piteous, stark, sorry, forlorn, woeful, lamentable, degrading, appalling, atrocious, awful, obsequious, grovelling, creeping, fawning, toadyish, servile, cringing, snivelling, ingratiating, sycophantic, submissive, craven, humiliating

Abject as an Adjective

Definitions of "Abject" as an adjective

According to the [Oxford Dictionary of English](#), “abject” as an adjective can have the following definitions:

- *Most unfortunate or miserable.*
- *Of the most contemptible kind.*
- *(of a person or their behaviour) completely without pride or dignity; self-abasing.*
- *(of a situation or condition) extremely unpleasant and degrading.*
- *(of something bad) experienced or present to the maximum degree.*
- *Showing humiliation or submissiveness.*
- *Showing utter resignation or hopelessness.*

Synonyms of "Abject" as an adjective (34 Words)

appalling Causing shock or dismay; horrific.
*His conduct was **appalling**.*

atrocious	Provoking horror- Winston Churchill. <i>Atrocious taste.</i>
awful	Exceptionally bad or displeasing. <i>An awful risk.</i>
craven	Lacking even the rudiments of courage; abjectly fearful- Spenser. <i>A craven abdication of his moral duty.</i>
creeping	(of a plant) growing along the ground or other surface by means of extending stems or branches. <i>The creeping onset of crass commercialism.</i>
cringing	Experiencing embarrassment or disgust. <i>He was left cringing with embarrassment after stumbling over his lines during a West End performance of Macbeth.</i>
degrading	Used of conduct; characterized by dishonor. <i>The prisoners were subjected to cruel and degrading treatment.</i>
fawning	Displaying exaggerated flattery or affection; obsequious. <i>Fawning adoration.</i>
forlorn	Marked by or showing hopelessness. <i>A forlorn attempt to escape.</i>
grovelling	Totally submissive. <i>His grovelling references to great historians.</i>
hopeless	Feeling or causing despair. <i>With a hopeless sigh he sat down.</i>
humiliating	Making someone feel ashamed and foolish by injuring their dignity and pride. <i>A humiliating defeat.</i>
ingratiating	Capable of winning favor. <i>An ingratiating manner.</i>
lamentable	Full of or expressing sorrow or grief. <i>A lamentable decision.</i>
low	Ranking below other people or things in importance or class. <i>The reservoir is low.</i>
low-down	Of the most contemptible kind.
miserable	Causing unhappiness or discomfort. <i>Their happiness made Anne feel even more miserable.</i>
obsequious	Obedient or attentive to an excessive or servile degree. <i>Obsequious shop assistants.</i>
pathetic	Inspiring scornful pity- Dashiell Hammett. <i>The shabby room struck her as extraordinarily pathetic.</i>

piteous	Deserving or inciting pity- Galsworthy. A piteous cry.
pitiable	Deserving or inciting pity. Pitiable homeless children.
pitiful	Deserving or inciting pity- Galsworthy. A pitiful attempt to impress her.
scummy	Covered with scum. A scummy rabble.
scurvy	Worthless or contemptible. A scurvy trick.
servile	Submissive or fawning in attitude or behavior. The servile wars of Sicily.
snivelling	Crying and sniffing in a feeble or fretful way. Families with snivelling children.
sorry	Feeling or expressing regret or sorrow or a sense of loss over something done or undone. A sorry state of affairs.
stark	Physically strong or powerful. A stark landscape.
submissive	Abjectly submissive characteristic of a slave or servant S H Adams. A submissive almost sheeplike people.
sycophantic	Attempting to win favor from influential people by flattery. A sycophantic interview.
toadyish	Attempting to win favor from influential people by flattery.
unhopeful	Showing utter resignation or hopelessness.
woeful	Characterized by, expressive of, or causing sorrow or misery. Woeful errors of judgment.
wretched	Deserving or inciting pity- Galsworthy. A wretched life.

Usage Examples of "Abject" as an adjective

- *Abject poverty.*
- *The most abject slaves joined in the revolt.*
- *The abject condition of the peasants.*
- *An abject apology.*
- *Abject surrender.*

- *Abject cowardice.*
- *His letter plunged her into abject misery.*

Associations of "Abject" (30 Words)

contemptible	Deserving of contempt or scorn. <i>A display of contemptible cowardice.</i>
<u>degraded</u>	Treated or regarded with contempt or disrespect. <i>She had felt cheap and degraded.</i>
deplorable	Of very poor quality or condition. <i>My finances were in a deplorable state.</i>
<u>deprived</u>	Suffering a severe and damaging lack of basic material and cultural benefits. <i>I was so sleep deprived I was bumping into walls.</i>
despicable	Morally reprehensible. <i>Would do something as despicable as murder.</i>
<u>disadvantaged</u>	(of a person or area) in unfavourable circumstances, especially with regard to financial or social opportunities. <i>Disadvantaged groups such as the unemployed.</i>
<u>disgraceful</u>	Giving offense to moral sensibilities and injurious to reputation- Thackeray. <i>It is disgraceful that they should be denied unemployment benefits.</i>
dishonorable	Deceptive or fraudulent; disposed to cheat or defraud or deceive. <i>Dishonorable in thought and deed.</i>
hapless	(especially of a person) unfortunate. <i>The hapless victims of the disaster.</i>
<u>humiliating</u>	Causing awareness of your shortcomings. <i>A humiliating defeat.</i>
ignoble	Not of the nobility. <i>Of ignoble or ungentle birth.</i>
ignominious	Deserving or causing public disgrace or shame. <i>An ignominious retreat.</i>
indigence	A state of extreme poverty or destitution. <i>He did valuable work towards the relief of indigence.</i>
<u>indigent</u>	Poor enough to need help from others. <i>A charity for the relief of indigent artists.</i>

<u>miserable</u>	Causing unhappiness or discomfort. <i>He felt depressed and miserable.</i>
neediness	A state of extreme poverty. <i>He recognized her neediness but had no time to respond to it.</i>
<u>needy</u>	Needy people collectively. <i>Needy and elderly people.</i>
pauper	A person who is very poor. <i>He died a pauper.</i>
penury	A state of extreme poverty or destitution. <i>He couldn't face another year of penury.</i>
piteous	Deserving or arousing pity. <i>Piteous appeals for help.</i>
<u>pitiful</u>	Deserving or arousing pity. <i>A pitiful attempt to impress her.</i>
poor	People without possessions or wealth (considered as a group). <i>The jejune diets of the very poor.</i>
privation	A state in which food and other essentials for well-being are lacking. <i>Cold is the privation of heat.</i>
<u>reprehensible</u>	Deserving censure or condemnation. <i>His complacency and reprehensible laxity.</i>
<u>squalor</u>	The state of being extremely dirty and unpleasant, especially as a result of poverty or neglect. <i>They lived in squalor and disease.</i>
<u>underprivileged</u>	(of a person) not enjoying the same standard of living or rights as the majority of people in a society. <i>The plight of the underprivileged.</i>
<u>unfortunate</u>	A person who is considered immoral or lacking in religious faith or instruction, especially a prostitute. <i>Those unfortunates whose lives are marred by poverty.</i>
unhappy	Marked by or producing unhappiness. <i>The unhappy truth.</i>
unlucky	Having or bringing misfortune. <i>The visitors were unlucky to have a goal disallowed.</i>
wretched	Used to express anger or annoyance. <i>She disliked the wretched man intensely.</i>