

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**.

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

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

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

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