

Need another word that means the same as "adversity"? Find 22 synonyms and 30 related words for "adversity" in this overview.

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The synonyms of "Adversity" are: hardship, misfortune, ill luck, bad luck, trouble, difficulty, distress, disaster, misadventure, suffering, affliction, sorrow, misery, heartbreak, heartache, wretchedness, tribulation, woe, pain, trauma, torment, torture

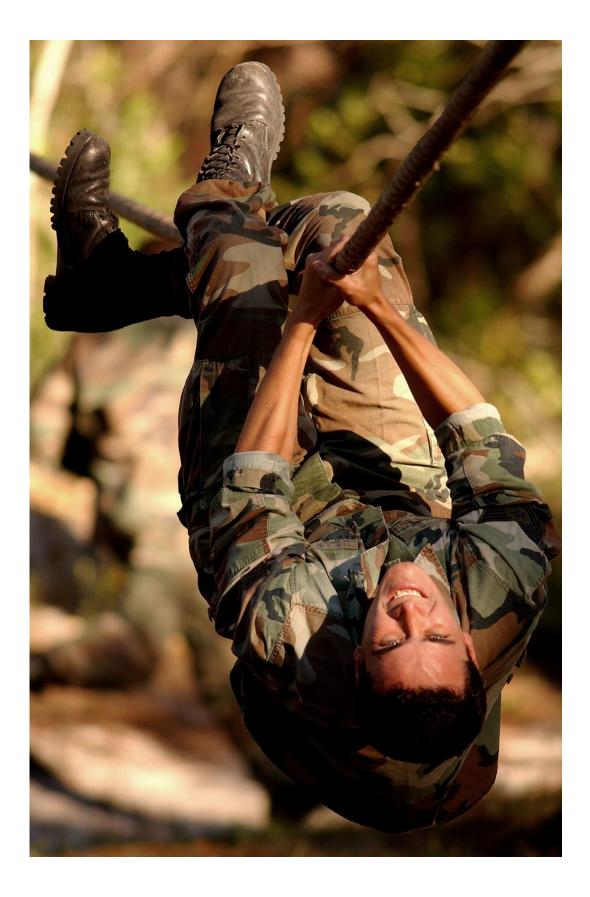
Adversity as a Noun

Definitions of "Adversity" as a noun

According to the <u>Oxford Dictionary of English</u>, "adversity" as a noun can have the following definitions:

- A state of misfortune or affliction.
- A stroke of ill fortune; a calamitous event.
- A difficult or unpleasant situation.







Synonyms of "Adversity" as a noun (22 Words)

| affliction | The state of being in pain. A crippling affliction of the nervous system. |
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| bad luck | That which is below standard or expectations as of ethics or decency. |
| difficulty | A factor causing trouble in achieving a positive result or tending to produce a negative result. <i>They agreed about the difficulty of the climb.</i> |
| disaster | A sudden accident or a natural catastrophe that causes great damage or loss of life. A string of personal disaster s. |
| distress | Difficulty caused by lack of money. A distress call. |
| hardship | Something that causes or entails suffering-James Boswell. I cannot think it a hardship that more indulgence is allowed to men than to women. |
| heartache | Emotional anguish or grief, typically caused by the loss or absence of someone loved. <i>The familiar pang of heartache</i> . |
| <u>heartbreak</u> | Overwhelming distress. An unforgettable tale of joy and heartbreak . |
| ill luck | An often persistent bodily disorder or disease; a cause for complaining. |
| misadventure | An unfortunate incident; a mishap. The petty misdemeanours and misadventure s of childhood. |
| <u>misery</u> | A person who is constantly miserable or discontented. <i>The misery of the miner s existence.</i> |
| <u>misfortune</u> | Bad luck. Never laugh at other people s misfortune s. |
| pain | A somatic sensation of acute discomfort. It s not a huge problem just a bit of a pain . |
| <u>sorrow</u> | An event or circumstance that causes sorrow. It was a great sorrow to her when they separated. |
| suffering | Psychological suffering. His disregard for the suffering s of his fellow countrymen. |
| torment | A feeling of intense annoyance caused by being tormented. So great was his harassment that he wanted to destroy his torment ors. |



| <u>torture</u> | Extreme mental distress. A torture chamber. |
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| <u>trauma</u> | Any physical damage to the body caused by violence or accident or fracture etc. A personal trauma like the death of a child. |
| tribulation | An annoying or frustrating or catastrophic event. The tribulation s of being a megastar. |
| trouble | Effort or exertion made to do something, especially when inconvenient. <i>What is the trouble</i> . |
| woe | Misery resulting from affliction. To add to his woe s customers have been spending less. |
| | A state of ill being due to offliction on misfortune |

wretchedness A state of ill-being due to affliction or misfortune. He has compiled a record second to none in its wretchedness.

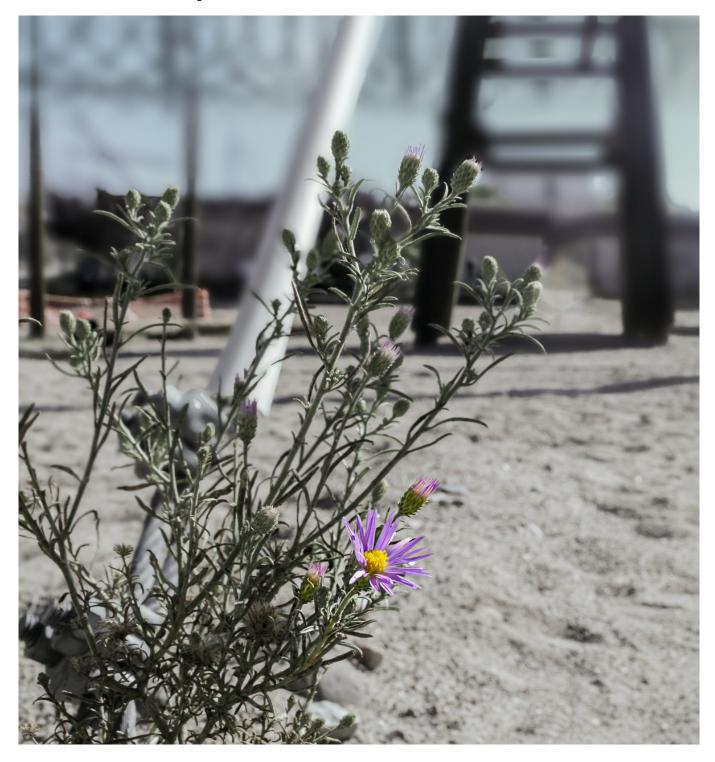


Usage Examples of "Adversity" as a noun

• Debt-ridden farmers struggling with adversity.



- Resilience in the face of adversity.
- She overcame many adversities.





Associations of "Adversity" (30 Words)

| <u>aftermath</u> | The consequences of an event (especially a catastrophic event. <i>The aftermath of war.</i> |
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| aftershock | A tremor (or one of a series of tremors) occurring after the main shock of an earthquake. |
| aid | Financial or material help given to a country or area in need. A teaching aid . |
| befall | Happen, occur, or be the case in the course of events or by chance (Santayana. <i>He promised that no harm would befall her.</i> |
| <u>beset</u> | Assail or attack on all sides. She was beset with self doubt. |
| betide | Become of; happen to. I waited with beating heart not knowing what would betide . |
| blow | An act of blowing an instrument. Blow on the soup to cool it down. |
| <u>calamity</u> | An event resulting in great loss and misfortune. <i>Emergency measures may be necessary in order to avert a calamity.</i> |
| cataclysm | A sudden violent change in the earth's surface. The cataclysm of the First World War. |
| catastrophe | A sudden violent change in the earth's surface. Lack of funds has resulted in a catastrophe for our school system. |
| <u>dilemma</u> | State of uncertainty or perplexity especially as requiring a choice between equally unfavorable options. <i>The insoluble dilemma of adolescence.</i> |
| disaster | A state of extreme (usually irremediable) ruin and misfortune. <i>His policies were a disaster</i> . |
| disruption | Disturbance or problems which interrupt an event, activity, or process. <i>No industry is immune to digital disruption.</i> |
| <u>earthquake</u> | A disturbance that is extremely disruptive. A political earthquake . |
| hardship | Something that causes or entails suffering. A life of hardship . |
| holocaust | Destruction or slaughter on a mass scale, especially caused by fire or nuclear war. A nuclear holocaust . |
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| <u>impending</u> | (of an event regarded as threatening or significant) about to happen; forthcoming. <i>The author had returned to his country ahead of the impending war.</i> |
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| misadventure | An instance of misfortune. The coroner recorded a verdict of death by misadventure . |
| mischance | An unlucky occurrence. By pure mischance the secret was revealed. |
| <u>misfortune</u> | An unfortunate state resulting from unfavorable outcomes. Never laugh at other people s misfortune s. |
| <u>mishap</u> | An instance of misfortune. Although there were a few minor mishap s none of the pancakes stuck to the ceiling. |
| <u>needy</u> | Needy people collectively. Needy and elderly people. |
| perturbation | A disposition that is confused or nervous and upset. The term distress connotes some degree of perturbation and emotional upset. |
| <u>plight</u> | A dangerous, difficult, or otherwise unfortunate situation. <i>The woeful plight of homeless people.</i> |
| seismic | Subject to or caused by an earthquake or earth vibration. After a few days of seismic activity the volcanic eruption started. |
| suffering | Psychological suffering. <i>Suffering</i> refugees. |
| <u>survival</u> | A natural process resulting in the evolution of organisms best adapted to the environment. His shorts were a survival from his army days. |
| <u>tragedy</u> | The dramatic genre represented by tragedies. <i>His life had been plagued by tragedy.</i> |
| unaccustomed | Unusual or unfamiliar. Many varieties of unaccustomed foods. |
| worst | To the highest degree of inferiority or badness. So pure of heart that his worst is another man s best. |



