

Need another word that means the same as “agonizing”? Find 18 synonyms and 30 related words for “agonizing” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Agonizing” are: agonising, excruciating, harrowing, torturesome, torturing, torturous, racking, painful, acute, severe, intense, extreme, grievous, hellish, killing, searing, tormenting, piercing**

## Agonizing as an Adjective

### Definitions of "Agonizing" as an adjective

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

- *Extremely painful.*
- *Causing great physical or mental pain.*



## Synonyms of "Agonizing" as an adjective (18 Words)

<b>acute</b>	Denoting or designed for patients with an acute form of a disease. <i>An <b>acute</b> sense of smell.</i>
<b>agonising</b>	Extremely painful.
<b>excruciating</b>	Very embarrassing, awkward, or tedious. <i>He explained the procedure in <b>excruciating</b> detail.</i>
<b>extreme</b>	Most distant in any direction. <i>The <b>extreme</b> north west of Scotland.</i>
<b>grievous</b>	Causing fear or anxiety by threatening great harm. <i><b>Grievous</b> bodily harm.</i>
<b>harrowing</b>	Acutely distressing. <i>A <b>harrowing</b> film about racism and violence.</i>
<b>hellish</b>	Of or like hell. <i><b>Hellish</b> weather.</i>
<b>intense</b>	Extremely sharp or intense. <i><b>Intense</b> anxiety.</i>
<b>killing</b>	Causing death. <i>A <b>killing</b> schedule.</i>
<b>painful</b>	Causing physical discomfort. <i>Her ankle was very <b>painful</b>.</i>
<b>piercing</b>	(of a sound) extremely high or loud. <i>A tall blonde with <b>piercing</b> eyes.</i>
<b>racking</b>	Causing great physical or mental suffering.
<b>searing</b>	Extremely hot or intense. <i>A <b>searing</b> pain.</i>
<b>severe</b>	Severely simple. <i>A <b>severe</b> shortage of technicians.</i>
<b>tormenting</b>	Inflicting severe physical or mental suffering. <i>Peace from his <b>tormenting</b> thoughts.</i>
<b>torturesome</b>	Extremely painful.
<b>torturing</b>	Extremely painful.
<b>torturous</b>	Characterized by, involving, or causing pain or suffering. <i>A <b>torturous</b> five days of fitness training.</i>

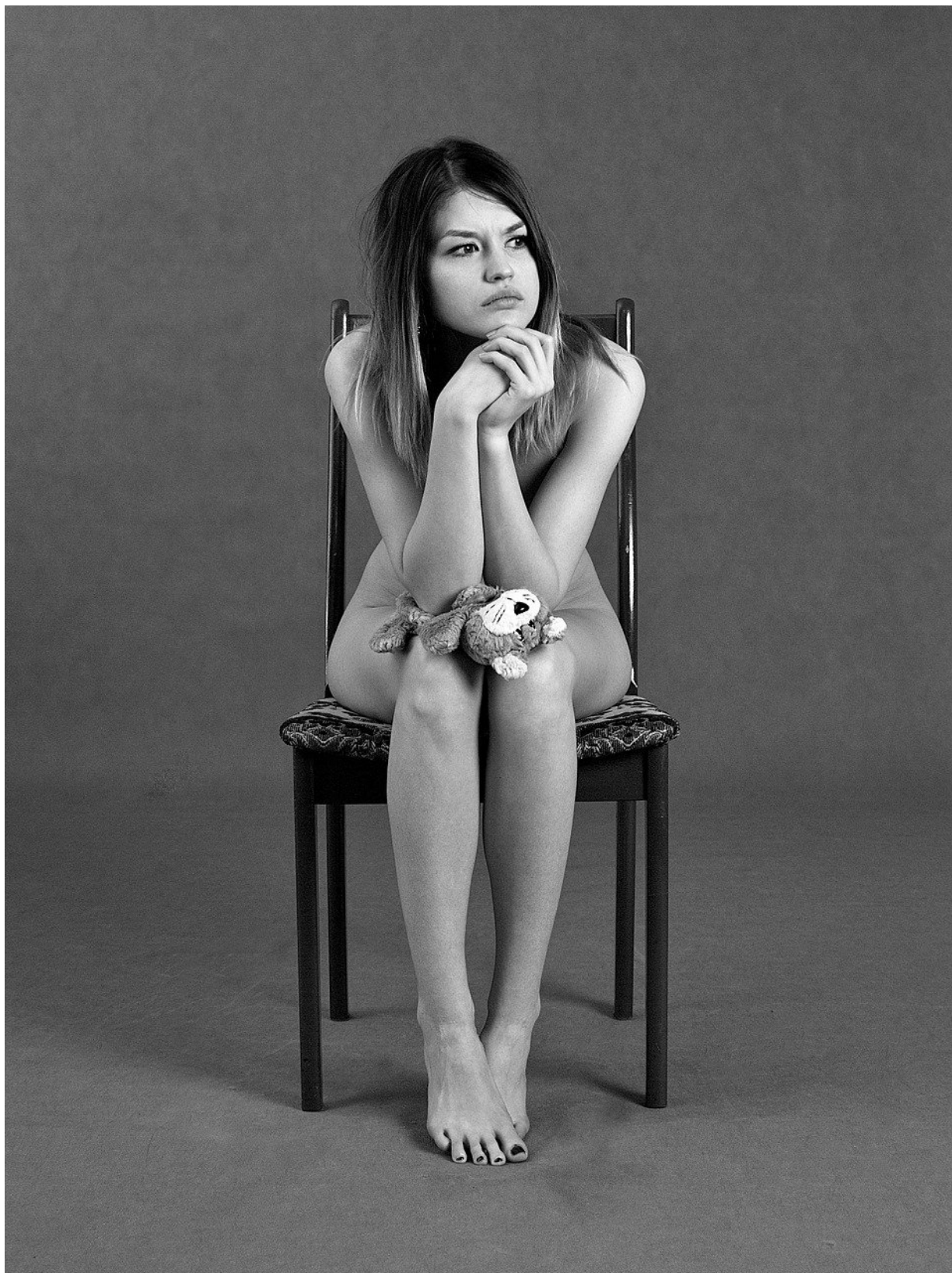




## Usage Examples of "Agonizing" as an adjective

- *An agonizing death.*
- *There is an agonizing choice to make.*





## Associations of "Agonizing" (30 Words)

<b>aching</b>	Arousing, experiencing, or expressive of intense sorrow or longing. <i>I write this letter with tears in my eyes and an <b>aching</b> heart.</i>
<b>biting</b>	(of wind or cold) so cold as to be painful. <i>A <b>biting</b> aphorism.</i>
<b>bitter</b>	Beer that is strongly flavoured with hops and has a bitter taste brewed by top fermentation. <i>A <b>bitter</b> struggle.</i>
<b>callus</b>	Cause a callus to form on. <i>The long march had <b>callused</b> his feet.</i>
<b>cultivator</b>	A farm implement used to break up the surface of the soil (for aeration and weed control and conservation of moisture). <i>Rotary <b>cultivators</b> are ideal in the kitchen garden.</i>
<b>disastrous</b>	Highly unsuccessful. <i>A <b>disastrous</b> fire swept through the museum.</i>
<b>distressing</b>	Causing anxiety, sorrow or pain; upsetting. <i><b>Distressing</b> or disturbing news.</i>
<b>doleful</b>	Causing grief or misfortune. <i>A <b>doleful</b> look.</i>
<b>dolorous</b>	Feeling or expressing great sorrow or distress. <i>A <b>dolorous</b> and repetitive tale of atrocity.</i>
<b>excruciating</b>	Extremely painful. <i><b>Excruciating</b> back pain.</i>
<b>frustrating</b>	Discouraging by hindering. <i>It can be very <b>frustrating</b> to find that the size you want isn't there.</i>
<b>grievous</b>	Causing fear or anxiety by threatening great harm. <i>A <b>grievous</b> loss.</i>
<b>harrowing</b>	Extremely painful. <i>It was a <b>harrowing</b> experience.</i>
<b>horrible</b>	Very unpleasant. <i>War is beyond all words <b>horrible</b>.</i>
<b>irksome</b>	So lacking in interest as to cause mental weariness. <i>An <b>irksome</b> journey.</i>
<b>lamentable</b>	(of circumstances or conditions) very bad; deplorable. <i>A <b>lamentable</b> decision.</i>

<b>mournful</b>	Feeling, expressing, or inducing sadness, regret, or grief. <i><b>Mournful</b> music.</i>
<u><b>painful</b></u>	Causing distress or trouble. <i>A <b>painful</b> experience.</i>
<u><b>plaintive</b></u>	Sounding sad and mournful. <i>A <b>plaintive</b> cry.</i>
<u><b>poignant</b></u>	Keenly distressing to the mind or feelings. <i>A <b>poignant</b> reminder of the passing of time.</i>
<b>sad</b>	Of things that make you feel sad Christina Rossetti. <i>Feeling <b>sad</b> because his dog had died.</i>
<b>sore</b>	(of a part of one's body) painful or aching. <i>We re in <b>sore</b> need of him.</i>
<u><b>sorrowful</b></u>	Feeling or showing grief. <i>She looked at him with <b>sorrowful</b> eyes.</i>
<u><b>stressful</b></u>	Extremely irritating to the nerves. <i>Corporate finance work can be <b>stressful</b>.</i>
<u><b>swollen</b></u>	Characteristic of false pride; having an exaggerated sense of self-importance. <i>So <b>swollen</b> by victory that he was unfit for normal duty.</i>
<b>tine</b>	Prong on a fork or pitchfork or antler.
<u><b>torturous</b></u>	Extremely painful. <i>A <b>torturous</b> five days of fitness training.</i>
<u><b>tragic</b></u>	Very sad; especially involving grief or death or destruction. <i>The shooting was a <b>tragic</b> accident.</i>
<u><b>traumatic</b></u>	Psychologically painful. <i>She was going through a <b>traumatic</b> divorce.</i>
<b>trying</b>	Extremely irritating to the nerves. <i>Fell upon <b>trying</b> times.</i>