

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

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The synonyms of “Ambivalent” are: equivocal, uncertain, unsure, doubtful, indecisive, inconclusive, irresolute, in two minds, undecided, unresolved, in a dilemma, in a quandary, torn, hesitating, fluctuating, wavering, vacillating, mixed

Ambivalent as an Adjective

Definitions of "Ambivalent" as an adjective

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

- *Uncertain or unable to decide about what course to follow.*
- *Having mixed feelings or contradictory ideas about something or someone.*

Synonyms of "Ambivalent" as an adjective (18 Words)

doubtful	Improbable. <i>He looked doubtful but gave a nod.</i>
equivocal	Open to question-Anna Jameson. <i>An equivocal statement.</i>
fluctuating	Having unpredictable ups and downs. <i>Fluctuating prices.</i>
hesitating	Lacking decisiveness of character; unable to act or decide quickly or firmly. <i>His hesitating delivery.</i>
in a dilemma	Holding office.
in a quandary	Holding office.

in two minds	Currently fashionable.
inconclusive	Not leading to a firm conclusion or result; not ending doubt or dispute. <i>The inconclusive committee vote.</i>
<u>indecisive</u>	Characterized by lack of decision and firmness. <i>A long and indecisive war.</i>
irresolute	Uncertain how to act or proceed. <i>The committee was timid and mediocre and irresolute.</i>
mixed	Involving a mixture of people from different ethnic, religious, or social groups. <i>Crab on a bed of mixed salad.</i>
<u>torn</u>	Having edges that are jagged from injury. <i>Torn between love and hate.</i>
<u>uncertain</u>	Ambiguous (especially in the negative). <i>A gun with a rather uncertain trigger.</i>
<u>undecided</u>	Not settled or resolved. <i>The jury remained undecided.</i>
unresolved	Characterized by musical dissonance harmonically unresolved. <i>A number of issues remain unresolved.</i>
<u>unsure</u>	Lacking self-confidence. <i>The date is unsure.</i>
vacillating	Uncertain in purpose or action. <i>He was accused of vacillating leadership.</i>
wavering	Undecided between two opinions or courses of action. <i>A wavering flame.</i>

Usage Examples of "Ambivalent" as an adjective

- *Was ambivalent about having children.*
- *An ambivalent attitude to Europe.*
- *Some loved her, some hated her, few were ambivalent about her.*

Associations of "Ambivalent" (30 Words)

<u>ambiguity</u>	An expression whose meaning cannot be determined from its context. <i>We can detect no ambiguity in this section of the Act.</i>
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ambiguous	Open to more than one interpretation; not having one obvious meaning. <i>The polling had a complex and equivocal or ambiguous message for potential female candidates.</i>
ambiguously	So as to be open to more than one interpretation. <i>This letter is worded ambiguously.</i>
blur	Make unclear indistinct or blurred. <i>It was kinda funny seeing how blur someone can be when having to do a task they have no clue about.</i>
blurred	Indistinct or hazy in outline. <i>The blurred aims of the group.</i>
blurry	Unable to perceive clear or sharp images. <i>There s a very blurry line between art and advertising.</i>
doubtful	Unsettled in mind or opinion. <i>The fire was of doubtful origin.</i>
equivocal	Uncertain or questionable in nature. <i>The results of the investigation were equivocal.</i>
equivocate	Use ambiguous language so as to conceal the truth or avoid committing oneself. <i>The government have equivocated too often in the past.</i>
evasive	Avoiding or escaping from difficulty or danger especially enemy fire. <i>An evasive statement.</i>
illegibility	The quality of writing (print or handwriting) that cannot be deciphered.
imprecision	The quality of lacking precision. <i>All scientific measurements come with some degree of imprecision.</i>
inconclusive	Not leading to a firm conclusion or result; not ending doubt or dispute. <i>An inconclusive reply.</i>
indecisive	Not definitely settling something. <i>An indecisive manager brought the enterprise to a standstill.</i>
indeterminate	Not leading to a definite ending or result. <i>An indeterminate future.</i>
irresolute	Showing or feeling hesitancy; uncertain. <i>The committee was timid and mediocre and irresolute.</i>
lightproof	Able to block out light completely. <i>A lightproof envelope.</i>
nebulous	Lacking definition or definite content. <i>A giant nebulous glow.</i>

noncommittal	Refusing to bind oneself to a particular course of action or view or the like. <i>Her boyfriend was noncommittal about their future together.</i>
opaqueness	The quality of being opaque to a degree; the degree to which something reduces the passage of light.
<u>subtlety</u>	A subtle difference in meaning or opinion or attitude. <i>You had to admire the subtlety of the distinctions he drew.</i>
unattached	Not associated in an exclusive sexual relationship. <i>Local people unattached to any organization.</i>
<u>uncertain</u>	Not established beyond doubt; still undecided or unknown. <i>The weather is uncertain.</i>
<u>unclear</u>	Not easily deciphered. <i>Their future remains unclear.</i>
uncommitted	Not committed to a cause, activity, etc. <i>Uncommitted voters.</i>
<u>undecided</u>	(of a person) not having made a decision. <i>20 per cent of the population describe themselves as undecideds.</i>
undifferentiated	Not differentiated. <i>By six weeks the sexual glands are as yet undifferentiated between male and female.</i>
unresolved	Characterized by musical dissonance harmonically unresolved. <i>A number of issues remain unresolved.</i>
<u>vague</u>	Of uncertain, indefinite, or unclear character or meaning. <i>Vague feelings of sadness.</i>
vaguely	In a way that is unfocused or lacks attention; absent-mindedly. <i>He vaguely remembered talking to her once.</i>