

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)

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

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

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

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