

Need another word that means the same as “amiss”? Find 15 synonyms and 30 related words for “amiss” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Amiss” are: awry, haywire, wrong, faulty, out of order, defective, unsatisfactory, incorrect, untoward, adrift, inappropriate, improper, unsuitable, imperfectly

Amiss as an Adjective

Definitions of "Amiss" as an adjective

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

- *Not quite right; inappropriate or out of place.*
- *Not functioning properly.*

Synonyms of "Amiss" as an adjective (13 Words)

adrift	Aimlessly drifting. <i>The film s focus is a young woman adrift in a city where individuals struggle to make meaningful connections.</i>
awry	Not functioning properly. <i>Many youthful romances go awry.</i>

<u>defective</u>	Lacking or deficient. <i>Dystrophin is commonly defective in muscle tissue.</i>
<u>faulty</u>	Characterized by errors; not agreeing with a model or not following established rules. <i>Her character was faulty.</i>
haywire	Informal or slang terms for mentally irregular. <i>Has gone completely haywire.</i>
<u>improper</u>	Not in accordance with accepted standards, especially of morality or honesty. <i>Improper attire for the golf course.</i>
inappropriate	Not in keeping with what is correct or proper. <i>It would be inappropriate for me to comment.</i>
<u>incorrect</u>	Not in accordance with particular standards or rules. <i>An incorrect transcription.</i>
out of order	Directed outward or serving to direct something outward.
<u>unsatisfactory</u>	Not giving satisfaction. <i>Our discussion was very unsatisfactory.</i>
<u>unsuitable</u>	Not capable of being applied. <i>A solvent unsuitable for use on wood surfaces.</i>
<u>untoward</u>	Not in keeping with accepted standards of what is right or proper in polite society. <i>Moved to curb their untoward ribaldry.</i>
wrong	Unsuitable or undesirable. <i>I was wrong about him being on the yacht that evening.</i>

Usage Examples of "Amiss" as an adjective

- *There was something amiss about his calculations.*
- *Something is amiss.*

Amiss as an Adverb

Definitions of "Amiss" as an adverb

According to the [Oxford Dictionary of English](#), "amiss" as an adverb can have the following definitions:

- *Away from the correct or expected course.*

- *In an imperfect or faulty way.*
- *In an imperfect or faulty way- Jane Austen.*
- *In an improper or mistaken or unfortunate manner.*
- *Wrongly or inappropriately.*

Synonyms of "Amiss" as an adverb (2 Words)

- awry** Away from the correct or expected course.
*Something has gone **awry** in our plans.*
- imperfectly** In an imperfect or faulty way- Jane Austen.
*MPs represent however **imperfectly** the democratic will of their electors.*

Usage Examples of "Amiss" as an adverb

- *Something went badly amiss in the preparations.*
- *Miss Bennet would not play at all amiss if she practiced more.*
- *The prime minister may have constructed his cabinet a little amiss.*

Associations of "Amiss" (30 Words)

- askew** Turned or twisted toward one side.
*The judging was a bit **askew**.*
- awry** Away from the usual or expected course; amiss.
*Something has gone **awry** in our plans.*
- blunder** Utter impulsively.
*He **blundered** his stupid ideas.*
- clanger** A conspicuous mistake whose effects seem to reverberate.
*He dropped a **clanger**.*
- correction** Punishment, especially that of criminals in prison intended to rectify their behaviour.
*The **correction** of his vision with eye glasses.*
- crooked** Having the back and shoulders rounded; not erect.
*His teeth were yellow and **crooked**.*
- culpability** Responsibility for a fault or wrong; blame.
*A level of moral **culpability**.*
- defect** A mark or flaw that spoils the appearance of something (especially on a person's body).
*This device permits detection of **defects** in the lungs.*

err	To make a mistake or be incorrect. <i>He has erred and strayed as many of us have.</i>
<u>errant</u>	(of a polychaete worm) of a predatory kind that moves about actively and is not confined to a tube or burrow. <i>An errant strand of hair.</i>
failing	Below acceptable in performance. <i>Pride is a terrible failing.</i>
<u>flawed</u>	Having or characterized by a fundamental weakness or imperfection. <i>A fatally flawed strategy.</i>
gaffe	A socially awkward or tactless act. <i>His comments are a major diplomatic gaffe.</i>
<u>glitch</u>	A brief irregularity in the rotation of a pulsar. <i>The only glitch in his year is failing to qualify for the Masters.</i>
imperfectly	In a flawed or incomplete way. <i>MPs represent however imperfectly the democratic will of their electors.</i>
inaccurate	Not accurate. <i>False or inaccurate descriptions of goods.</i>
inadvertence	An unintentional omission resulting from failure to notice something.
lapse	A mistake resulting from inattention. <i>A lapse of concentration in the second set cost her the match.</i>
lopsided	Turned or twisted toward one side. <i>A lopsided grin.</i>
misconstrue	Interpret in the wrong way. <i>My advice was deliberately misconstrued.</i>
miscount	An incorrect reckoning. <i>A miscount necessitates a recount.</i>
mistrial	A trial that is invalid or inconclusive. <i>The judge dismissed the charge and declared a mistrial.</i>
<u>misunderstanding</u>	A failure to understand something correctly. <i>He left the army after a slight misunderstanding with his commanding officer.</i>
oversight	An unintentional omission resulting from failure to notice something. <i>He had simply missed Parsons out by an oversight.</i>
slip	A reduction in the movement of a pulley or other mechanism due to slipping of the belt rope etc. <i>Slip the next twelve stitches on to a stitch holder.</i>

solecism	A breach of good manners; an instance of incorrect behaviour.
typo	A typographical error.
unethical	Not morally correct. <i>It is unethical to torment any creature for entertainment.</i>
unforced	Not produced by effort; natural. <i>His retirement was an unforced departure.</i>
wrong	Treat unjustly do wrong to. <i>It was the wrong moment for a joke.</i>