

Need another word that means the same as “annoy”? Find 35 synonyms and 30 related words for “annoy” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Annoy” are: bother, chafe, devil, get at, get to, gravel, irritate, nark, nettle, rag, rile, vex, make angry, make cross, anger, exasperate, irk, gall, pique, put out, displease, get someone's back up, put someone's back up, antagonize, get on someone's nerves, rub up the wrong way, ruffle, ruffle someone's feathers, make someone's hackles rise, raise someone's hackles, cross, vexed, irked, piqued, displeased**

## **Annoy as a Verb**

### **Definitions of "Annoy" as a verb**

According to the [Oxford Dictionary of English](#), “annoy” as a verb can have the following definitions:

- *Cause annoyance in; disturb, especially by minor irritations.*
- *Harm or attack repeatedly.*
- *Make (someone) a little angry; irritate.*



## Synonyms of "Annoy" as a verb (35 Words)

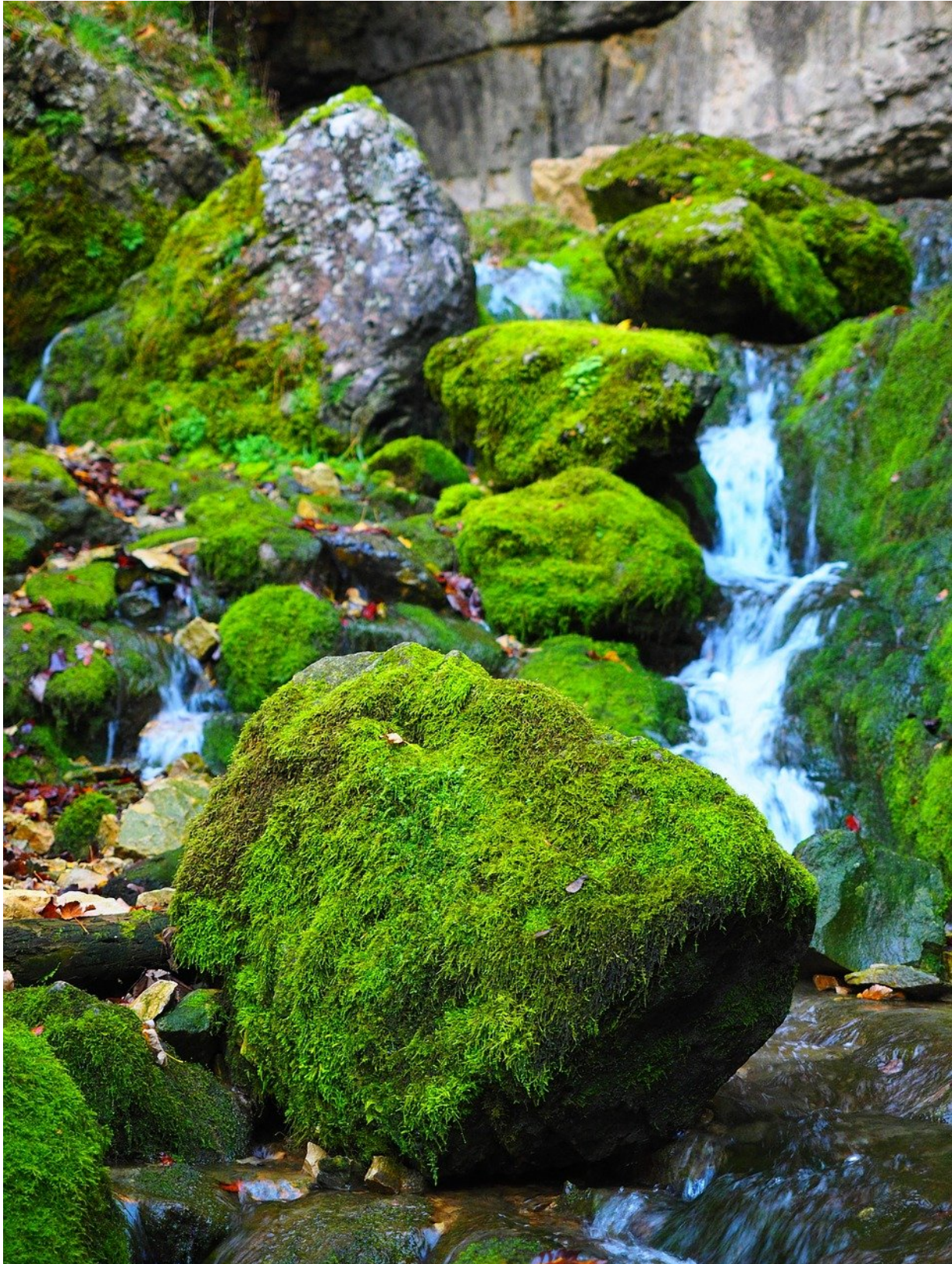
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| <b>anger</b>                   | Fill someone with anger provoke anger in.<br><i>She was <b>angered</b> by his terse answer.</i>  |
| <b><u>antagonize</u></b>       | Cause (someone) to become hostile or angry.<br><i>The aim was to <b>antagonize</b> visiting supporters.</i>  |
| <b>bother</b>                  | Cause trouble or annoyance to (someone) by interrupting or otherwise inconveniencing them.<br><i>I m sorry to <b>bother</b> you at this time of night.</i> |
| <b><u>chafe</u></b>            | Tear or wear off the skin or make sore by abrading.<br><i>The collar <b>chafed</b> his neck.</i>   |
| <b><u>cross</u></b>            | Fold so as to resemble a cross.<br><i>Two paths <b>crossed</b> the field.</i>  |
| <b>devil</b>                   | Coat or stuff with a spicy paste.<br><i><b>Devilled</b> eggs.</i>  |
| <b>displease</b>               | Make (someone) feel annoyed or dissatisfied.<br><i>The tone of the letter <b>displeased</b> him.</i>   |
| <b><u>displeased</u></b>       | Give displeasure to.   |
| <b>exasperate</b>              | Exasperate or irritate.<br><i>This futile process <b>exasperates</b> prison officers.</i>  |
| <b><u>gall</u></b>             | Irritate or vex.<br><i>It <b>galls</b> me that we lost the suit.</i>   |
| <b>get at</b>                  | Earn or achieve a base by being walked by the pitcher.   |
| <b>get on someone's nerves</b> | Be a mystery or bewildering to.  |
| <b>get someone's back up</b>   | Undergo (as of injuries and illnesses.   |
| <b>get to</b>                  | Give certain properties to something.  |
| <b>gravel</b>                  | Cover with gravel.<br><i>They <b>gravelled</b> the road.</i>   |
| <b>irk</b>                     | Irritate; annoy.<br><i>It <b>irks</b> her to think of the runaround she received.</i>  |
| <b>irked</b>                   | Irritate or vex.   |
| <b>irritate</b>                | Cause annoyance in; disturb, especially by minor irritations.<br><i><b>Irritate</b> the glands of a leaf.</i>  |
| <b>make angry</b>              | Eliminate urine.   |
| <b>make cross</b>              | Be or be capable of being changed or made into.  |

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| <b>make someone's hackles rise</b> | Carry out or commit.   |
| <b>nark</b>                        | Inform or spy (for the police).<br><i>Women like her <b>nark</b> me.</i>   |
| <b>nettle</b>                      | Sting with nettles.<br><i>I was only asking Jess said <b>nettled</b>.</i>  |
| <b>pique</b>                       | Cause to feel resentment or indignation.<br><i>With his scientific curiosity <b>piqued</b> he was looking forward to being able to analyse his find.</i> |
| <b>piqued</b>                      | Cause to feel resentment or indignation.   |
| <b>put out</b>                     | Make an investment.  |
| <b>put someone's back up</b>       | Adapt.   |
| <b>rag</b>                         | Apply paint to a surface with a rag.<br><i>The background walls have been stippled above the dado rail and <b>ragged</b> below.</i>                      |
| <b>raise someone's hackles</b>     | Raise from a lower to a higher position.   |
| <b>rile</b>                        | Make (someone) annoyed or irritated.<br><i>He d been drinking sweet clear water from a well and now that water had been muddied and <b>riled</b>.</i>    |
| <b>rub up the wrong way</b>        | Cause friction.  |
| <b>ruffle</b>                      | Pleat or gather into a ruffle.<br><i>Brian had been <b>ruffled</b> by her questions.</i>   |
| <b>ruffle someone's feathers</b>   | Disturb the smoothness of.   |
| <b>vex</b>                         | Cause distress to.<br><i>Thou shalt not <b>vex</b> a stranger.</i>   |
| <b><u>vexed</u></b>                | Change the arrangement or position of.   |



## Usage Examples of "Annoy" as a verb

- *A gallant Saxon, who annoyed this Coast.*
- *The decision really annoyed him.*
- *Your damned cheerfulness has always annoyed me.*



## Associations of "Annoy" (30 Words)

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| <b>afflict</b>     | Cause great unhappiness for; distress.<br><i>Jupiter is <b>afflicted</b> by Mars in opposition.</i>   |
| <b>aggravate</b>   | Annoy or exasperate.<br><i>Military action would only <b>aggravate</b> the situation.</i>   |
| <b>aggravation</b> | Unfriendly behavior that causes anger or resentment.<br><i>The patient experienced an <b>aggravation</b> of symptoms.</i>                     |
| <b>agitate</b>     | Cause to be agitated excited or roused.<br><i><b>Agitate</b> the water to disperse the oil.</i>   |
| <b>anger</b>       | Fill someone with anger provoke anger in.<br><i>The news <b>angered</b> him.</i>  |
| <b>annoyance</b>   | The act of troubling or annoying someone.<br><i>Some people like to irritate us with trivial <b>annoyances</b>.</i>                           |
| <b>beleaguer</b>   | Annoy persistently.<br><i>He attempts to answer several questions that <b>beleaguer</b> the industry.</i>                                     |
| <b>bother</b>      | Intrude or enter uninvited.<br><i>He saved me the <b>bother</b> of having to come up with a speech.</i>                                       |
| <b>bothersome</b>  | Annoying; troublesome.<br><i>Aircraft noise is particularly <b>bothersome</b> near the airport.</i>   |
| <b>distress</b>    | Bring into difficulties or distress especially financial hardship.<br><i>A <b>distress</b> call.</i>  |
| <b>disturb</b>     | Change the arrangement or position of.<br><i>I ll see my patient now and we are not to be <b>disturbed</b>.</i>                               |
| <b>fret</b>        | Provide a musical instrument with frets.<br><i><b>Fret</b> a guitar.</i>  |
| <b>harass</b>      | Annoy continually or chronically.<br><i>The squadron s task was to <b>harass</b> the retreating enemy forces.</i>                             |
| <b>importunate</b> | Expressing earnest entreaty.<br><i><b>Importunate</b> creditors.</i>  |
| <b>irk</b>         | Irritate; annoy.<br><i>It <b>irks</b> her to think of the runaround she received.</i>   |
| <b>irritable</b>   | Having or showing a tendency to be easily annoyed.<br><i>The seeds have been reputed to help conditions such as <b>irritable</b> bladder.</i> |
| <b>irritate</b>    | Stimulate (an organism, cell, or organ) to produce an active response.<br><i>His tone <b>irritated</b> her.</i>                               |

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| <b><u>irritation</u></b> | The act of troubling or annoying someone.<br><i>Much to my <b>irritation</b> Chris fell asleep.</i>   |
| <b>nettle</b>            | Used in names of other plants with leaves of a similar appearance to those of the nettle e.g. dead nettle.<br><i>I was only asking Jess said <b>nettled</b>.</i>  |
| <b>nuisance</b>          | A broad legal concept including anything that disturbs the reasonable use of your property or endangers life and health or is offensive.<br><i>It s a <b>nuisance</b> having all those people clomping through the house.</i> |
| <b>offend</b>            | Strike with disgust or revulsion.<br><i><b>Offend</b> all laws of humanity.</i>   |
| <b>peeve</b>             | Cause to be annoyed, irritated, or resentful.<br><i>That was the one thing that <b>peeved</b> him.</i>  |
| <b><u>pester</u></b>     | Trouble or annoy (someone) with frequent or persistent requests or interruptions.<br><i>She constantly <b>pestered</b> him with telephone calls.</i>  |
| <b>rankle</b>            | (of a wound or sore) continue to be painful; fester.<br><i>Lisa was <b>rankled</b> by his assertion.</i>  |
| <b>rile</b>              | Make turbid by stirring up the sediments of.<br><i>He d been drinking sweet clear water from a well and now that water had been muddied and <b>riled</b>.</i>   |
| <b><u>teasing</u></b>    | The act of harassing someone playfully or maliciously (especially by ridicule); provoking someone with persistent annoyances.<br><i>The parody was just a form of <b>teasing</b>.</i>   |
| <b>trouble</b>           | Take the trouble to do something concern oneself.<br><i>He was not <b>troubled</b> by doubts.</i>   |
| <b>vex</b>               | Disturb the peace of mind of; afflict with mental agitation or distress.<br><i>I wouldn t <b>vex</b> it will be just great if whoever borrow the pump just bring it back.</i>   |
| <b><u>vexation</u></b>   | The psychological state of being irritated or annoyed.<br><i>The <b>vexations</b> of life under canvas.</i>   |
| <b>vexing</b>            | Causing annoyance, frustration, or worry.<br><i>It is <b>vexing</b> to have to admit you are wrong.</i>   |



