

Need another word that means the same as “apathy”? Find 17 synonyms and 30 related words for “apathy” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Apathy” are: indifference, numbness, spiritlessness, lack of interest, lack of enthusiasm, lack of concern, unconcern, unresponsiveness, impassivity, passivity, passiveness, detachment, dispassion, dispassionateness, lack of involvement, phlegm, coolness

Apathy as a Noun

Definitions of "Apathy" as a noun

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

- *Lack of interest, enthusiasm, or concern.*
- *An absence of emotion or enthusiasm.*
- *The trait of lacking enthusiasm for or interest in things generally.*



Synonyms of "Apathy" as a noun (17 Words)

- coolness** Freedom from excitement, anxiety, or excessive emotion.
*The **coolness** of the breeze.*
- detachment** Coming apart.
*The Squadron went on **detachment** to Malta.*
- dispassion** Lack of strong emotion or personal feelings.
*Try to look upon the war with **dispassion** and detachment.*

dispassionateness	Objectivity and detachment.
impassivity	Apathy demonstrated by an absence of emotional reactions.
indifference	Unimportance. <i>It cannot be regarded as a matter of indifference.</i>
lack of concern	The state of needing something that is absent or unavailable.
lack of enthusiasm	The state of needing something that is absent or unavailable.
lack of interest	The state of needing something that is absent or unavailable.
lack of involvement	The state of needing something that is absent or unavailable.
numbness	The state of being numb. <i>Tingling and numbness in the left arm.</i>
passiveness	Submission to others or to outside influences.
passivity	The trait of remaining inactive; a lack of initiative. <i>The passivity of television watching.</i>
phlegm	Apathy demonstrated by an absence of emotional reactions. <i>Phlegm and determination carried them through many difficult situations.</i>
spiritlessness	The trait of lacking enthusiasm for or interest in things generally. A feeling of lack of concern.
unconcern	<i>He is famed for his laid back attitude his apparent unconcern about his actions.</i>
unresponsiveness	The quality of being unresponsive; not reacting; as a quality of people, it is marked by a failure to respond quickly or with emotion to people or events. <i>She began to recover from her numb unresponsiveness after the accident.</i>



Usage Examples of "Apathy" as a noun

- *Widespread apathy among students.*



Associations of "Apathy" (30 Words)

- abandonment** The action or fact of abandoning or being abandoned.
*His **abandonment** of his wife and children left them penniless.*
- aphasia** Inability (or impaired ability) to understand or produce speech, as a result of brain damage.
- callous** Make insensitive or callous deaden feelings or morals.
*A **callous** indifference to suffering.*
- careless** Not giving sufficient attention or thought to avoiding harm or errors.
*A **careless** error.*
- carelessness** The quality of not being careful or taking pains.
*Most road accidents are caused by **carelessness** on the part of motorists.*
- cynicism** An inclination to believe that people are motivated purely by self-interest; scepticism.
*Public **cynicism** about politics.*

<u>disinterest</u>	Tolerance attributable to a lack of involvement. <i>He chided Dennis for his disinterest in anything that is not his own idea.</i>
dispassionate	Not influenced by strong emotion, and so able to be rational and impartial. <i>A journalist should be a dispassionate reporter of fact.</i>
dizziness	A reeling sensation; a feeling that you are about to fall. <i>The medicine can cause dizziness or nausea.</i>
<u>dormant</u>	(of a disease) causing no symptoms but not cured and liable to recur. <i>That dormant urge to write fiction has re emerged.</i>
impartiality	An inclination to weigh both views or opinions equally. <i>Entries had to be submitted under a pseudonym to ensure impartiality in the judging process.</i>
<u>impersonal</u>	(of a verb) used only with a formal subject (in English usually it) and expressing an action not attributable to a definite subject (as in it is snowing). <i>An impersonal tower block.</i>
<u>inaction</u>	The state of being inactive. <i>Future generations will condemn us for inaction.</i>
inactive	Not in physical motion. <i>An inactive lifestyle.</i>
inattention	Failure to attend to one's responsibilities; negligence. <i>His inattention to duty.</i>
indifference	Unimportance. <i>The indifference of Chelsea s midfield.</i>
<u>insensitive</u>	Showing or feeling no concern for others' feelings. <i>Both were in many ways insensitive to painting.</i>
<u>irony</u>	A state of affairs or an event that seems deliberately contrary to what one expects and is often wryly amusing as a result. <i>Don t go overboard with the gratitude he rejoined with heavy irony.</i>
<u>lazy</u>	Characterized by lack of effort or activity. <i>Up a lazy river.</i>
<u>negligence</u>	Failure to take proper care over something. <i>His injury was due to the negligence of his employers.</i>
neutrality	Tolerance attributable to a lack of involvement. <i>During the war Switzerland maintained its neutrality.</i>
nonchalance	The state of being nonchalant. <i>An air of nonchalance.</i>

numbness	The state of being numb. <i>Tingling and numbness in the left arm.</i>
paralysis	Inability to act or function properly. <i>A creeping paralysis accompanied by nausea and vomiting.</i>
passivity	The state of inactivity of a metal made unreactive by a thin inert surface layer of oxide. <i>Nickel increases the overall passivity of the iron.</i>
sarcasm	Witty language used to convey insults or scorn-Jonathan Swif. <i>She didn t like the note of sarcasm in his voice.</i>
<u>shortage</u>	A state or situation in which something needed cannot be obtained in sufficient amounts. <i>The problems of land shortage in the countryside.</i>
stolid	Calm, dependable, and showing little emotion or animation. <i>Her face showed nothing but stolid indifference.</i>
unconcern	A lack of worry or interest, especially when surprising or callous. <i>He is famed for his laid back attitude his apparent unconcern about his actions.</i>

