

Need another word that means the same as “apprehensive”? Find 21 synonyms and 30 related words for “apprehensive” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Apprehensive” are: worried, discerning, anxious, alarmed, uneasy, nervous, concerned, agitated, restless, edgy, fidgety, tense, strained, stressed, neurotic, panicky, afraid, scared, frightened, fearful, terrified

Apprehensive as an Adjective

Definitions of "Apprehensive" as an adjective

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

- *Mentally upset over possible misfortune or danger etc.*
- *Quick to understand.*
- *Anxious or fearful that something bad or unpleasant will happen.*
- *Quick to understand- Nathaniel Hawthorne.*
- *In fear or dread of possible evil or harm.*
- *Relating to perception or understanding.*



Synonyms of "Apprehensive" as an adjective (21 Words)

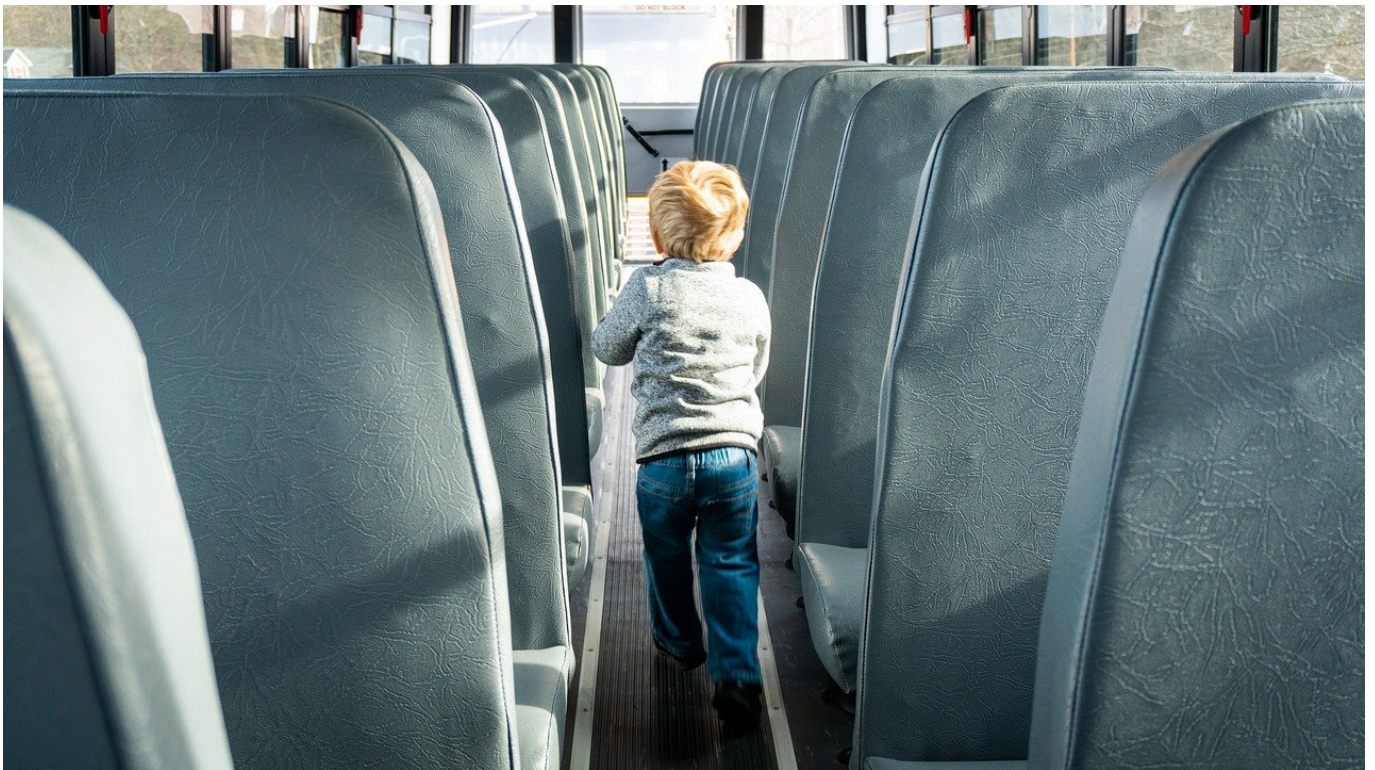
- afraid** Filled with fear or apprehension.
***Afraid** to show emotion.*
- agitated** Physically disturbed or set in motion.
***Agitated** parents.*
- alarmed** Experiencing a sudden sense of danger.
- anxious** Eagerly desirous.
*My parents were **anxious** that I get an education.*
- concerned** Culpably involved.
*Was **concerned** about the future.*
- discerning** Able to make or detect effects of great subtlety; sensitive.
*A **discerning** eye for color.*
- edgy** At the forefront of a trend; experimental or avant-garde.
*Their songs combine good music and smart **edgy** ideas.*
- fearful** Causing or likely to cause people to be afraid; horrifying.
*He s **fearful** that his career is over.*
- fidgety** Nervous and unable to relax.
*I get nervous and **fidgety** at the dentist.*

frightened	Made afraid. <i>The frightened child cowered in the corner.</i>
<u>nervous</u>	Of or relating to the nervous system. <i>A nervous addict.</i>
<u>neurotic</u>	Having, caused by, or relating to neurosis. <i>He seemed a neurotic self obsessed character.</i>
panicky	Feeling or characterized by uncontrollable fear or anxiety. <i>Became panicky as the snow deepened.</i>
<u>restless</u>	Lacking or not affording physical or mental rest. <i>The restless sea.</i>
scared	Fearful; frightened. <i>Too shocked and scared to move.</i>
<u>strained</u>	Of a mainly liquid substance having been strained to separate out any solid matter. <i>She gave a strained laugh.</i>
stressed	Strengthened by the application of stress during manufacture prestressed. <i>Stressed concrete walls.</i>
<u>tense</u>	Pronounced with relatively tense tongue muscles e.g. the vowel sound in beat. <i>Relations between the two neighbouring states were tense.</i>
<u>terrified</u>	Thrown into a state of intense fear or desperation. <i>The terrified horse bolted.</i>
<u>uneasy</u>	Relating to bodily unease that causes discomfort. <i>She lived in a state of uneasy truce with her strict father.</i>
worried	Mentally upset over possible misfortune or danger etc. <i>He is worried that we are not sustaining high employment.</i>



Usage Examples of "Apprehensive" as an adjective

- *Apprehensive of danger.*
- *Felt apprehensive about the consequences.*
- *A kind and apprehensive friend.*
- *Apprehensive about her job.*
- *He felt apprehensive about going home.*
- *Apprehensive for one's life.*



Associations of "Apprehensive" (30 Words)

afraid

Filled with regret or concern; used often to soften an unpleasant statement.

*She was **afraid** that he would be angry.*

alarmed

Experiencing a sudden sense of danger.

anguished

Experiencing intense pain especially mental pain.

*He gave an **anguished** cry.*

annoyed

Troubled persistently especially with petty annoyances.

*He was **annoyed** at being woken up so early.*

anxious	Very eager or concerned to do something or for something to happen. <i>My parents were anxious that I get an education.</i>
concerned	Worried, troubled, or anxious. <i>The villagers are concerned about burglaries.</i>
cowardice	The trait of lacking courage. <i>My cowardice got the better of me and I crept out of the room.</i>
distressed	(of furniture or clothing) having simulated marks of age and wear. <i>Distressed companies need loans and technical advice.</i>
disturbed	Having the place or position changed. <i>The disturbed books and papers on her desk.</i>
embarrassed	Made to feel uncomfortable because of shame or wounded pride. <i>He had to sort out the embarrassed financial affairs of his brother.</i>
fearful	Causing or likely to cause people to be afraid; horrifying. <i>Cast fearful glances at the large dog.</i>
fraught	Filled with or attended with. <i>Marketing any new product is fraught with danger.</i>
harried	Feeling strained as a result of having demands persistently made on one; harassed. <i>Harried detectives answer ringing phones.</i>
inconvenient	Causing trouble, difficulties, or discomfort. <i>The back hall is an inconvenient place for the telephone.</i>
insecurity	The anxiety you experience when you feel vulnerable and insecure. <i>Growing job insecurity.</i>
irritated	Showing or feeling slight anger; annoyed. <i>Made an irritated gesture.</i>
nervous	Of or relating to the nervous system. <i>A nervous thoroughbred.</i>
neurotically	In a neurotic manner.
precarious	Not securely held or in position; dangerously likely to fall or collapse. <i>He made a precarious living as a painter.</i>
preoccupied	Deeply absorbed in thought. <i>A preoccupied frown.</i>
solicitous	Showing hovering attentiveness. <i>Solicitous about the future.</i>
solicitude	Care or concern for someone or something. <i>I was touched by his solicitude.</i>

stressed	Strengthened by the application of stress during manufacture prestressed. <i>He dropped out of the race clearly distressed and having difficulty breathing.</i>
<u>tense</u>	Become stretched or tense or taut. <i>She tried to relax her tense muscles.</i>
<u>troubled</u>	Characterized by unrest or disorder or insubordination. <i>A troubled expression.</i>
<u>uncomfortable</u>	Causing or feeling unease or awkwardness. <i>An uncomfortable day in the hot sun.</i>
<u>uneasy</u>	(of a situation or relationship) not settled; liable to change. <i>An uneasy silence fell on the group.</i>
upset	The act of upsetting something. <i>With everything so upset.</i>
worried	Mentally upset over possible misfortune or danger etc. <i>One last worried check of the sleeping children.</i>
<u>worry</u>	Lacerate by biting. <i>I worry about the second Germanic consonant shift.</i>

