

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

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**The synonyms of “Archaic” are: antediluvian, antiquated, primitive, obsolete, obsolescent, out of date, anachronistic, old-fashioned, outmoded, behind the times, bygone, antique, superannuated, past its prime, olde worlde**

## Archaic as an Adjective

### Definitions of "Archaic" as an adjective

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

- *Little evolved from or characteristic of an earlier ancestral type.*
- *Very old or old-fashioned.*
- *So extremely old as seeming to belong to an earlier period.*
- *(of a word or a style of language) no longer in everyday use but sometimes used to impart an old-fashioned flavour.*
- *Of an early period of art or culture, especially the 7th–6th centuries BC in Greece.*



## Synonyms of "Archaic" as an adjective (15 Words)

<b>anachronistic</b>	Chronologically misplaced. <i>Titus benefits from the effective use of <b>anachronistic</b> elements like cars and loudspeakers.</i>
<b>antediluvian</b>	Ridiculously old-fashioned. <i>Gigantic bones of <b>antediluvian</b> animals.</i>
<b><u>antiquated</u></b>	So extremely old as seeming to belong to an earlier period. <i>This <b>antiquated</b> central heating system.</i>
<b>antique</b>	Made in or typical of earlier times and valued for its age. <i>The beautiful <b>antique</b> French furniture.</i>
<b>behind the times</b>	Having the lower score or lagging position in a contest.
<b>bygone</b>	Belonging to an earlier time. <i>Relics of a <b>bygone</b> age.</i>
<b>obsolescent</b>	Becoming obsolete. <i><b>Obsolescent</b> slang.</i>
<b><u>obsolete</u></b>	(of a part or characteristic of an organism) less developed than formerly or in a related species; rudimentary; vestigial. <i>The disposal of old and <b>obsolete</b> machinery.</i>
<b>old-fashioned</b>	Out of fashion.
<b>olde worlde</b>	Attractively old-fashioned (but not necessarily authentic).
<b>out of date</b>	Being out or having grown cold.
<b>outmoded</b>	Out of fashion. <i>Demode or <b>outmoded</b> attire.</i>
<b>past its prime</b>	Of a person who has held and relinquished a position or office.
<b><u>primitive</u></b>	(of an algebraic or geometric expression) from which another is derived, or which is not itself derived from another. <i>The <b>primitive</b> responses we share with many animals.</i>
<b>superannuated</b>	(of a post or employee) belonging to a superannuation scheme. <i><b>Superannuated</b> computing equipment.</i>





## Usage Examples of "Archaic" as an adjective

- *Prisons are run on archaic methods.*
- *Archaic laws.*
- *Archaic forms of life.*
- *A term with a rather archaic ring to it.*
- *The archaic temple at Corinth.*



<b>ancient</b>	A person who lived in ancient times. <i><b>Ancient</b> forests.</i>
<b>antediluvian</b>	So extremely old as seeming to belong to an earlier period. <i><b>Antediluvian</b> man.</i>
<b>antiquate</b>	Make obsolete or old-fashioned.
<b>antiquated</b>	Old-fashioned or outdated. <i>This <b>antiquated</b> central heating system.</i>
<b>antique</b>	Search or shop for antiques. <i>The <b>antique</b> fear that days would dwindle away to complete darkness.</i>
<b>antiquity</b>	The historic period preceding the Middle Ages in Europe. <i>A church of great <b>antiquity</b>.</i>
<b>century</b>	An ancient Roman political division for voting. <i>The fifteenth <b>century</b>.</i>
<b>dilapidated</b>	(of a building or object) in a state of disrepair or ruin as a result of age or neglect. <i>The tank was now rather <b>dilapidated</b>.</i>
<b>elder</b>	(of one or more out of a group of associated people) of a greater age. <i>Schoolchildren were no less fascinated than their <b>elders</b>.</i>
<b>elderly</b>	(of a person) old or ageing. <i>A couple of <b>elderly</b> cars.</i>
<b>historic</b>	Important in history. <i>The area s numerous <b>historic</b> sites.</i>
<b>historical</b>	(especially of a novel or film) set in the past. <i><b>Historical</b> evidence.</i>
<b>moot</b>	A mock judicial proceeding set up to examine a hypothetical case as an academic exercise. <i>Whether they had been successful or not was a <b>moot</b> point.</i>
<b>obsolescent</b>	Becoming obsolete. <i><b>Obsolescent</b> equipment.</i>
<b>obsolete</b>	Cause a product or idea to become obsolete by replacing it with something new. <i>The phrase was <b>obsolete</b> after 1625.</i>
<b>old</b>	Used informally especially for emphasis old adj of a very early stage in development. <i>His mother is very <b>old</b>.</i>
<b>ossified</b>	Having turned into bone or bony tissue. <i>An <b>ossified</b> institution.</i>



<b>outdated</b>	Out of date; obsolete. <b>Outdated</b> equipment.
<b>paleolithic</b>	Second part of the Stone Age beginning about 750,000 to 500,000 years BC and lasting until the end of the last ice age about 8,500 years BC. <b>Paleolithic</b> artifacts.
<b>paleontology</b>	The earth science that studies fossil organisms and related remains.
<b>past</b>	A past tense or form of a verb. A simple <b>past</b> of the first conjugation.
<b>period</b>	A set of elements occupying a horizontal row in the periodic table. <b>Period</b> pains.
<b>prehistoric</b>	Of or relating to times before written history. <b>Prehistoric</b> settlements.
<b>prehistory</b>	The time during the development of human culture before the appearance of the written word. <i>Myths that stretch back into <b>prehistory</b>.</i>
<b>stodgy</b>	(of food) heavy, filling, and high in carbohydrates. <b>Stodgy</b> food.
<b>stuffy</b>	Lacking fresh air. <i>Hot and <b>stuffy</b> and the air was blue with smoke.</i>
<b>superannuated</b>	Outdated or obsolete through age or new developments. <i>She is not <b>superannuated</b> and has no paid holiday.</i>
<b>traditional</b>	(of jazz) in the style of the early 20th century. <b>Traditional</b> history.
<b>useless</b>	Having no beneficial use or incapable of functioning usefully. <i>She is <b>useless</b> in an emergency.</i>

