

Need another word that means the same as “belittling”? Find 7 synonyms and 30 related words for “belittling” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Belittling” are: denigration, deprecating, deprecative, deprecatory, depreciative, depreciatory, slighting**

## **Belittling as a Noun**

### **Definitions of "Belittling" as a noun**

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

- *The act of belittling.*
- *A belittling comment.*



## Synonyms of "Belittling" as a noun (1 Word)

**denigration** The action of unfairly criticizing someone or something.  
*I witnessed the **denigration** of anyone who failed to toe the line.*

## Belittling as an Adjective

### Definitions of "Belittling" as an adjective

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

- *Dismissive of the importance of a person or thing.*
- *Tending to diminish or disparage.*

### Synonyms of "Belittling" as an adjective (6 Words)

<b>deprecating</b>	Expressing disapproval; disapproving. <i>He sniffed in a <b>deprecating</b> way.</i>
<b>deprecative</b>	Given to expressing disapproval.
<b>deprecatory</b>	Tending to diminish or disparage. <i><b>Deprecatory</b> remarks about the book.</i>
<b>depreciative</b>	Causing gradual diminishment in value. <i>A <b>depreciative</b> effect on the currency.</i>
<b>depreciatory</b>	Tending to diminish or disparage. <i><b>Depreciatory</b> effects on prices.</i>
<b>slighting</b>	Being of delicate or slender build- Frank Norris. <i>A <b>slighting</b> remark.</i>

### Usage Examples of "Belittling" as an adjective

- *Belittling comments.*
- *His cruel, belittling remarks.*

### Associations of "Belittling" (30 Words)

<b>abase</b>	Cause to feel shame; hurt the pride of. <i>I watched my colleagues abasing themselves before the board of trustees.</i>
<b>debase</b>	Corrupt, debase or make impure by adding a foreign or inferior substance often by replacing valuable ingredients with inferior ones. <i>The King was forced to <b>debase</b> the coinage.</i>
<b>decomposition</b>	The analysis of a vector field. <i>The <b>decomposition</b> of organic waste.</i>

<b>decry</b>	Express strong disapproval of. <i>They decried human rights abuses.</i>
<b>defamation</b>	An abusive attack on a person's character or good name. <i>She sued him for <b>defamation</b>.</i>
<b>defame</b>	Charge falsely or with malicious intent. <i>The journalists have <b>defamed</b> me.</i>
<b>degradation</b>	A low or downcast state. <i>A trail of human misery and <b>degradation</b>.</i>
<b>degrade</b>	Treat or regard (someone) with contempt or disrespect. <i>When exposed to light the materials will <b>degrade</b>.</i>
<b>demean</b>	Cause a severe loss in the dignity of and respect for (someone or something). <i>I had <b>demeaned</b> the profession.</i>
<b>demote</b>	Move (someone) to a lower position or rank, usually as a punishment. <i>She was <b>demoted</b> because she always speaks up.</i>
<b>denigrate</b>	Criticize unfairly; disparage. <i>Doom and gloom merchants who <b>denigrate</b> their own country.</i>
<b>deprecation</b>	The act of expressing disapproval (especially of yourself).
<b>deprecatory</b>	Expressing disapproval; disapproving. <i><b>Deprecatory</b> remarks about the book.</i>
<b>derogate</b>	Deviate from (a set of rules or agreed form of behaviour). <i>This does not <b>derogate</b> from his duty to act honestly and faithfully.</i>
<b>derogatory</b>	Showing a critical or disrespectful attitude. <i><b>Derogatory</b> comments.</i>
<b>disgrace</b>	A person or thing regarded as shameful and unacceptable. <i>If he'd gone back it would have brought <b>disgrace</b> on the family.</i>
<b>disparage</b>	Regard or represent as being of little worth. <i>He never missed an opportunity to <b>disparage</b> his competitors.</i>
<b>downgrade</b>	A downward gradient on a railway or road. <i><b>Downgrades</b> by debt rating agencies outnumber upgrades by five to one.</i>
<b>humiliate</b>	Cause to feel shame; hurt the pride of. <i>You'll <b>humiliate</b> me in front of the whole school.</i>
<b>humiliation</b>	Strong feelings of embarrassment. <i>He fought back tears of <b>humiliation</b>.</i>
<b>infamy</b>	Evil fame or public reputation. <i>A date which will live in <b>infamy</b>.</i>

<b>mortify</b>	Practice self-denial of one's body and appetites. <i><b>Mortify</b> the flesh.</i>
<b>opprobrium</b>	An occasion or cause of reproach or disgrace. <i>The name was a by word of scorn and <b>opprobrium</b> throughout the city.</i>
<b>permafrost</b>	Ground that is permanently frozen. <i>Hilly terrain underlain by <b>permafrost</b>.</i>
<u><b>relegate</b></u>	Assign to a class or kind. <i>She likes to <b>relegate</b> difficult questions to her colleagues.</i>
<u><b>shame</b></u>	Bring shame to. <i>One mistake brought <b>shame</b> to all his family.</i>
<u><b>slander</b></u>	Words falsely spoken that damage the reputation of another. <i>They were accused of <b>slandering</b> the head of state.</i>
<b>smirch</b>	A blot on someone's character; a flaw. <i>The window was <b>smirched</b> by heat and smoke.</i>
<b>stultify</b>	Deprive of strength or efficiency; make useless or worthless. <i>Nobody is legally allowed to <b>stultify</b> himself.</i>
<b>sully</b>	Damage the purity or integrity of. <i>They were outraged that anyone should <b>sully</b> their good name.</i>