

Need another word that means the same as “calamity”? Find 11 synonyms and 30 related words for “calamity” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Calamity” are: cataclysm, catastrophe, disaster, tragedy, crisis, adversity, blight, tribulation, woe, affliction, evil

Calamity as a Noun

Definitions of "Calamity" as a noun

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

- *An event resulting in great loss and misfortune.*
- *An event causing great and often sudden damage or distress; a disaster.*



Synonyms of "Calamity" as a noun (11 Words)

- adversity** A state of misfortune or affliction.
*Debt ridden farmers struggling with **adversity**.*
- affliction** An instance of one celestial body afflicting another.
*Poor people in great **affliction**.*
- blight** A state or condition being blighted.
*The city's high rise social housing had become synonymous with urban **blight**.*
- cataclysm** A sudden violent change in the earth's surface.
*The **cataclysm** of the First World War.*
- catastrophe** An event resulting in great loss and misfortune.
*Inaction will only bring us closer to **catastrophe**.*
- crisis** A time of intense difficulty or danger.
*After the **crisis** the patient either dies or gets better.*

- disaster** A sudden accident or a natural catastrophe that causes great damage or loss of life.
*Reduced legal aid could spell financial **disaster**.*
- evil** Profound immorality and wickedness, especially when regarded as a supernatural force.
*His struggle against the forces of **evil**.*
- tragedy** A play dealing with tragic events and having an unhappy ending, especially one concerning the downfall of the main character.
*His life had been plagued by **tragedy**.*
- tribulation** A cause of great trouble or suffering.
*Life is full of **tribulations**.*
- woe** Great sorrow or distress (often used hyperbolically).
*To add to his **woes** customers have been spending less.*



Usage Examples of "Calamity" as a noun

- *Emergency measures may be necessary in order to avert a calamity.*

- *The whole city was affected by the irremediable calamity.*
- *The journey had led to calamity and ruin.*



Associations of "Calamity" (30 Words)

accident

Anything that happens suddenly or by chance without an apparent cause.
*Winning the lottery was a happy **accident**.*

adversity

A state of misfortune or affliction.
*Debt ridden farmers struggling with **adversity**.*

aftermath

The consequences or after-effects of a significant unpleasant event.
*Food prices soared in the **aftermath** of the drought.*

aftershock

A smaller earthquake following the main shock of a large earthquake.

befall	(especially of something bad) happen to (someone). <i>He promised that no harm would befall her.</i>
beset	Hem in. <i>Springy grass all beset with tiny jewel like flowers.</i>
betide	Become of; happen to. <i>She was trembling with fear lest worse might betide her.</i>
blow	Make a sound as if blown. <i>The aircraft was blown apart by a bomb.</i>
breeze	Deal with something with apparently casual ease. <i>Tantalizing cooking smells wafted on the evening breeze.</i>
cataclysm	A sudden violent change in the earth's surface. <i>The cataclysm of the First World War.</i>
catastrophe	Something very unfortunate or unsuccessful. <i>Lack of funds has resulted in a catastrophe for our school system.</i>
disaster	A sudden accident or a natural catastrophe that causes great damage or loss of life. <i>Lunch had turned out to be a total disaster.</i>
disruption	Disturbance or problems which interrupt an event, activity, or process. <i>There had been no delays or disruptions to flights.</i>
dystopia	An imagined state or society in which there is great suffering or injustice, typically one that is totalitarian or post-apocalyptic.
earthquake	A great upheaval. <i>Selling the company caused an earthquake among the employees.</i>
hardship	Severe suffering or privation. <i>I cannot think it a hardship that more indulgence is allowed to men than to women.</i>
holocaust	Destruction or slaughter on a mass scale, especially caused by fire or nuclear war. <i>A nuclear holocaust.</i>
misadventure	An instance of misfortune. <i>The coroner recorded a verdict of death by misadventure.</i>
mischance	Bad luck. <i>By pure mischance the secret was revealed.</i>
misfortune	Unnecessary and unforeseen trouble resulting from an unfortunate event. <i>The project was dogged by misfortune.</i>
perturbation	An unhappy and worried mental state. <i>She sensed her friend's perturbation.</i>

seismic	Relating to earthquakes or other vibrations of the earth and its crust. <i>Seismic data show the deep structure of rift systems.</i>
shock	Subject to electrical shocks. <i>He shocked so easily.</i>
<u>startle</u>	A sudden involuntary movement. <i>The loud noise startled him awake.</i>
suffering	Psychological suffering. <i>A message of hope for suffering humanity.</i>
<u>tragedy</u>	The dramatic genre represented by tragedies. <i>A tragedy that killed 95 people.</i>
<u>traumatic</u>	Of or relating to a physical injury or wound to the body. <i>Few experiences are more traumatic than losing a child.</i>
waft	A knotted ensign, garment, etc. displayed by a ship as a signal. <i>Sounds wafted into the room.</i>
worst	Most severely or seriously. <i>This was not the time for a deep discussion she was tired and she would be worsted.</i>
zephyr	The Greek god of the west wind.

