

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.

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

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

