

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

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The synonyms of “Childlike” are: dewy-eyed, round-eyed, simple, wide-eyed, childly, innocent, artless, guileless, unworldly, unsophisticated, green, inexperienced, naive, ingenuous, trusting, trustful, unsuspecting, unwary, unguarded, credulous, gullible

Childlike as an Adjective

Definitions of "Childlike" as an adjective

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

- *Exhibiting childlike simplicity and credulity.*
- *(of an adult) having the good qualities, such as innocence, associated with a child.*
- *Befitting a young child.*



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

artless	Showing lack of art. <i>Her awkward artless prose.</i>
childly	Befitting a young child.
credulous	Disposed to believe on little evidence. <i>A ceremony staged for credulous tourists.</i>
dewy-eyed	Exhibiting childlike simplicity and credulity.
green	Denoting a green light or flag used as a signal to proceed. <i>Her flashing green eyes.</i>
guileless	Free of deceit. <i>His face once so open and guileless.</i>
<u>gullible</u>	Easily tricked because of being too trusting. <i>An attempt to persuade a gullible public to spend their money.</i>

inexperienced	Lacking practical experience or training. <i>An inexperienced driver.</i>
ingenuous	Lacking in sophistication or worldliness. <i>His ingenuous explanation that he would not have burned the church if he had not thought the bishop was in it.</i>
innocent	Not knowledgeable about something specified. <i>She is a poor innocent young creature.</i>
<u>naive</u>	Of or created by one without formal training simple or naive in style. <i>This naive simple creature with wide friendly eyes so eager to believe appearances.</i>
round-eyed	Having large round wide-open eyes.
simple	(of interest) payable on the sum loaned only. <i>A quiet unassuming man with simple tastes.</i>
trustful	Having or marked by a total belief in the reliability, truth, or ability of someone. <i>A trustful acceptance of authority.</i>
trusting	Inclined to believe or confide readily; full of trust. <i>A shy and trusting child.</i>
unguarded	Not well considered; careless. <i>An unguarded gate.</i>
<u>unsophisticated</u>	Not wise in the ways of the world. <i>The nightlife of Montmartre awed the unsophisticated tourists.</i>
unsuspicious	Not suspicious. <i>She has a caring unsuspicious nature.</i>
unwary	Not alert to danger or deception- O.J.Campbell. <i>Accidents can happen to the unwary traveller.</i>
unworldly	Not seeming to belong to this planet; strange. <i>Was unworldly and did not greatly miss worldly rewards.</i>
wide-eyed	Fully open or extended.



Usage Examples of "Childlike" as an adjective

- *Childlike trust.*
- *She speaks with a childlike directness.*
- *Childlike charm.*



Associations of "Childlike" (30 Words)

- artless** (of persons) lacking art or knowledge.
*An **artless** literary masterpiece.*
- bumpkin** An unsophisticated or socially awkward person from the countryside.
*She thought Tom a bit of a country **bumpkin**.*
- callow** (of a young person) inexperienced and immature.
*Earnest and **callow** undergraduates.*
- candid** Openly straightforward and direct without reserve or secretiveness.
*I gave them my **candid** opinion.*

childish	Indicating a lack of maturity. <i>It was childish of her to rip up the picture.</i>
clarity	The quality of being certain or definite. <i>It was clarity of purpose that he needed.</i>
credulous	Disposed to believe on little evidence. <i>A ceremony staged for credulous tourists.</i>
downright	To an extreme degree; thoroughly. <i>A downright lie.</i>
easily	With ease easy is sometimes used informally for easily. <i>The body could easily be that of an actress.</i>
frank	Clearly manifest; evident. <i>Frank ulceration.</i>
girl	A person's girlfriend. <i>I had to look my best for my girl.</i>
guileless	Devoid of guile; innocent and without deception. <i>His face once so open and guileless.</i>
honest	Worthy of being depended on. <i>He'd made an honest mistake.</i>
honesty	The quality of being honest. <i>I bought potatoes and tomatoes from the roadside stall putting 3 in the honesty box.</i>
immature	Not fully developed. <i>Immature behavior.</i>
impressionable	Easily influenced. <i>An impressionable age.</i>
inexperienced	Lacking practical experience or training. <i>An inexperienced driver.</i>
infantile	Of or relating to infants or infancy. <i>Infantile colic.</i>
ingenu	An artless innocent young girl (especially as portrayed on the stage).
ingenuous	Characterized by an inability to mask your feelings; not devious. <i>She's staggeringly ingenuous or possibly very cunning indeed.</i>
innocence	The state, quality, or fact of being innocent of a crime or offence. <i>All the boys lost their innocence with her.</i>
naive	Of or created by one without formal training simple or naive in style. <i>This naive simple creature with wide friendly eyes so eager to believe appearances.</i>

naivete	Lack of sophistication or worldliness. <i>Some of the material is laughable in its naivet.</i>
out-and-out	Moving or appearing to move away from a place, especially one that is enclosed or hidden.
puerile	Of or characteristic of a child. <i>Puerile</i> jokes.
sincere	Open and genuine; not deceitful. <i>He was a good man decent and sincere.</i>
suggestible	Open to suggestion; easily swayed. <i>Suggestible</i> young minds.
trusting	Inclined to believe or confide readily; full of trust. <i>It is foolish to be too trusting of other people.</i>
unsophisticated	Awkwardly simple and provincial. <i>Either too unsophisticated or too honest to promise more than he could deliver.</i>
yokel	An uneducated and unsophisticated person from the countryside.

