

Need another word that means the same as “complicated”? Find 16 synonyms and 30 related words for “complicated” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Complicated” are: complex, intricate, involved, convoluted, tangled, elaborate, impenetrable, knotty, tricky, thorny, serpentine, labyrinthine, tortuous, cumbersome, byzantine, gordian

Complicated as an Adjective

Definitions of "Complicated" as an adjective

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

- *Involving many different and confusing aspects.*
- *Consisting of many interconnecting parts or elements; intricate.*
- *Difficult to analyze or understand.*
- *Involving complications.*



Synonyms of "Complicated" as an adjective (16 Words)

- byzantine** Highly complex or intricate and occasionally devious.
- complex** Denoting or involving numbers or quantities containing both a real and an imaginary part.
*A **complex** network of water channels.*
- convoluted** Highly complex or intricate and occasionally devious.
*The film is let down by a **convoluted** plot in which nothing really happens.*
- cumbersome** Slow or complicated and therefore inefficient.
*His **cumbersome** writing style.*

elaborate	(of an action) lengthy and exaggerated. <i>Elaborate wrought iron gates.</i>
gordian	Extremely intricate; usually in phrase `Gordian knot.
impenetrable	Permitting little if any light to pass through because of denseness of matter. <i>Impenetrable jargon.</i>
intricate	Very complicated or detailed. <i>Intricate lacework.</i>
<u>involved</u>	Emotionally involved. <i>The difficulties in which the question is involved.</i>
knotty	Making great mental demands; hard to comprehend or solve or believe. <i>A knotty legal problem.</i>
<u>labyrinthine</u>	Relating to or affecting or originating in the inner ear. <i>Labyrinthine plots and counterplots.</i>
serpentine	Winding and twisting like a snake. <i>A serpentine wall.</i>
<u>tangled</u>	Highly complex or intricate and occasionally devious. <i>A tangled tale.</i>
thorny	Bristling with perplexities. <i>The thorny question of states rights.</i>
<u>tortuous</u>	Highly complex or intricate and occasionally devious. <i>A tortuous argument.</i>
<u>tricky</u>	Not to be trusted- James Agee. <i>Tricky Dick.</i>



Usage Examples of "Complicated" as an adjective

- *A long and complicated saga.*
- *Complicated appendicitis.*
- *Complicated Middle East politics.*
- *A complicated problem.*
- *A complicated stereo system.*



Associations of "Complicated" (30 Words)

adulterant	Used in adulterating something. <i>It is necessary to remove the adulterants before use.</i>
complex	Make an atom or compound form a complex with another. <i>He s more complex than he seems on the surface.</i>
complexity	A factor involved in a complicated process or situation. <i>He enjoyed the complexity of modern computers.</i>
<u>compound</u>	Composed of more than one partcompound flower heads. <i>A compound noun.</i>
confusing	Bewildering or perplexing. <i>A confusing jumble of road signs.</i>
convoluted	Rolled longitudinally upon itself. <i>Walnuts come in hard and convoluted shells.</i>

convolution	The action of coiling or twisting or winding together. <i>Crosses adorned with elaborate convolutions.</i>
discombobulated	Having self-possession upset; thrown into confusion. <i>The hecklers pelted the discombobulated speaker with anything that came to hand.</i>
elaborate	Marked by complexity and richness of detail. <i>She elaborated on the main ideas in her dissertation.</i>
elaboration	The result of improving something. <i>His work led to the elaboration of a theory of evolution.</i>
intricacy	Details, especially of an involved or perplexing subject. <i>The intricacy of the procedure.</i>
intricate	Very complicated or detailed. <i>An intricate network of canals.</i>
involution	Marked by elaborately complex detail. <i>Periods of artistic involution.</i>
knotty	Tangled in knots or snarls. <i>A knotty problem.</i>
labyrinth	A complex structure in the inner ear which contains the organs of hearing and balance It consists of bony cavities the bony labyrinth filled with fluid and lined with sensitive membranes the membranous labyrinth. <i>A labyrinth of conflicting laws and regulations.</i>
labyrinthine	(of a network) like a labyrinth; irregular and twisting. <i>Labyrinthine plots and counterplots.</i>
maze	Something jumbled or confused. <i>A maze of petty regulations.</i>
nuance	Give nuances to. <i>He was familiar with the nuances of the local dialect.</i>
obscure	Make obscure or unclear. <i>I feel an obscure resentment.</i>
perplexing	Lacking clarity of meaning; causing confusion or perplexity. <i>A perplexing problem.</i>
perplexity	An entangled state. <i>The dense perplexity of dwarf palm garlanded creepers glossy undergrowth.</i>
picky	Exacting especially about details. <i>They are becoming increasingly picky about where they stay.</i>

priggish	Exaggeratedly proper. <i>A priggish little pedant.</i>
problematic	Making great mental demands; hard to comprehend or solve or believe. <i>The situation was problematic for teachers.</i>
puzzle	A jigsaw puzzle. <i>We puzzled over her sudden departure.</i>
ravel	Unravel fray. <i>A ravel of knitting.</i>
recondite	(of a subject or knowledge) little known; abstruse. <i>Some recondite problem in historiography.</i>
subtlety	A subtle difference in meaning or opinion or attitude. <i>You had to admire the subtlety of the distinctions he drew.</i>
tangled	Complicated and confused; chaotic. <i>Oh what a tangled web we weave.</i>
tortuous	Marked by repeated turns and bends. <i>Tortuous legal procedures.</i>

