

Need another word that means the same as “contemplative”? Find 24 synonyms and 30 related words for “contemplative” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Contemplative” are: brooding, broody, meditative, musing, pensive, pondering, reflective, ruminative, thoughtful, introspective, intent, rapt, preoccupied, studious, deep in thought, lost in thought, prayerful, cogitative, thinking, philosophical, deliberative, ruminant, speculative, wistful**

## Contemplative as an Adjective

### Definitions of "Contemplative" as an adjective

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

- *Deeply or seriously thoughtful.*
- *Expressing or involving prolonged thought.*
- *Deeply or seriously thoughtful.*
- *Involving or given to deep silent prayer or religious meditation.*



## Synonyms of "Contemplative" as an adjective (24 Words)

<b><u>brooding</u></b>	Appearing darkly menacing. <i>He stared with <b>brooding</b> eyes.</i>
<b>broody</b>	Deeply or seriously thoughtful. <i>His <b>broody</b> concern for the future.</i>
<b>cogitative</b>	Of or relating to having capacities for cogitation. <i>He looked at me with <b>cogitative</b> eyes.</i>
<b>deep in thought</b>	Relatively thick from top to bottom.
<b>deliberative</b>	Unhurried and with care and dignity. <i>A <b>deliberative</b> body.</i>
<b>intent</b>	(of a look or expression) showing earnest and eager attention. <i>A curiously <b>intent</b> look on her face.</i>
<b><u>introspective</u></b>	Characterized by or given to introspection. <i>He grew withdrawn and <b>introspective</b>.</i>
<b>lost in thought</b>	Perplexed by many conflicting situations or statements; filled with bewilderment.

<b>meditative</b>	Relating to or absorbed in meditation or considered thought. <i><b>Meditative</b> techniques.</i>
<b>musings</b>	Deeply or seriously thoughtful. <i>The sad <b>musings</b> gaze.</i>
<b>pensive</b>	Showing pensive sadness. <i>A <b>pensive</b> mood.</i>
<b>philosophical</b>	Characterized by the attitude of a philosopher; meeting trouble with level-headed detachment. <i>A considerable knowledge of <b>philosophical</b> terminology.</i>
<b>pondering</b>	Deeply or seriously thoughtful.
<b>prayerful</b>	(of a person) given to praying; devout. <i>The church has a <b>prayerful</b> atmosphere.</i>
<b>preoccupied</b>	Engrossed in thought; distracted. <i>Got no help from his wife who was <b>preoccupied</b> with the children.</i>
<b>rapt</b>	Filled with an intense and pleasurable emotion enraptured. <i>The newly chosen minister declared he was <b>rapt</b> with his new portfolio.</i>
<b>reflective</b>	Capable of physically reflecting light or sound. <i>The <b>reflective</b> type.</i>
<b>ruminant</b>	Of or belonging to ruminants. <i>A <b>ruminant</b> animal.</i>
<b>ruminative</b>	Deeply or seriously thoughtful. <i>A deeply <b>ruminative</b> mysterious lament.</i>
<b>speculative</b>	(of an investment) involving a high risk of loss. <i>Raised a <b>speculative</b> eyebrow.</i>
<b>studious</b>	Marked by care and effort. <i>Made a <b>studious</b> attempt to fix the television set.</i>
<b>thinking</b>	Endowed with the capacity to reason. <i>He seemed a <b>thinking</b> man.</i>
<b>thoughtful</b>	Taking heed giving close and thoughtful attention. <i>Brows drawn together in <b>thoughtful</b> consideration.</i>
<b>wistful</b>	Showing pensive sadness. <i>The sensitive and <b>wistful</b> response of a poet to the gentler phases of beauty.</i>



## Usage Examples of "Contemplative" as an adjective

- *Contemplative knowledge of God.*
- *She regarded me with a contemplative eye.*





## Associations of "Contemplative" (30 Words)

<b><u>cautious</u></b>	People who are fearful and cautious. <i>Reserved and <b>cautious</b> never making swift decisions.</i>
<b>cheerless</b>	Gloomy; depressing. <i>The corridors were ill lit and <b>cheerless</b>.</i>
<b><u>considerate</u></b>	Showing concern for the rights and feelings of others. <i>Be <b>considerate</b> over your handwriting.</i>
<b>dejected</b>	Affected or marked by low spirits. <i>Is <b>dejected</b> but trying to look cheerful.</i>
<b><u>deliberate</u></b>	Engage in long and careful consideration. <i>A conscientious and <b>deliberate</b> worker.</i>
<b>depressed</b>	Flattened downward as if pressed from above or flattened along the dorsal and ventral surfaces. <i>She felt lonely and <b>depressed</b>.</i>

<b>depression</b>	A period during the 1930s when there was a worldwide economic depression and mass unemployment. <i>The original shallow <b>depressions</b> were slowly converted to creeks.</i>
<b>despair</b>	A state in which all hope is lost or absent. <i>A voice full of self hatred and <b>despair</b>.</i>
<b>despondent</b>	Without or almost without hope. <i><b>Despondent</b> about his failure.</i>
<b>dismal</b>	(of a person or their mood) gloomy. <i>He shuddered as he watched his team s <b>dismal</b> performance.</i>
<b>distressed</b>	(of property) offered for sale cheaply due to mortgage foreclosure or because it is part of an insolvent estate. <i>The <b>distressed</b> relatives of his victims.</i>
<b>elegiac</b>	Verses in an elegiac metre. <i>She watched repeat serials fixed on their moody and <b>elegiac</b> characterization.</i>
<b>gloom</b>	A state of partial or total darkness. <i>Charles was always <b>glooming</b> about money.</i>
<b>grim</b>	Harshly uninviting or formidable in manner or appearance. <i><b>Grim</b> rainy weather.</i>
<b>heartsick</b>	Very despondent, typically from grief or loss of love. <i>Weary and <b>heartsick</b> she forced herself to search throughout the remains of the village.</i>
<b>meditative</b>	Deeply or seriously thoughtful. <i><b>Meditative</b> techniques.</i>
<b>melancholy</b>	A humor that was once believed to be secreted by the kidneys or spleen and to cause sadness and melancholy. <i>A dark <b>melancholy</b> young man with deep set eyes.</i>
<b>mourning</b>	The passionate and demonstrative activity of expressing grief. <i>If he dies she ll put on <b>mourning</b> but she won t cry.</i>
<b>muse</b>	(in Greek and Roman mythology) each of nine goddesses, the daughters of Zeus and Mnemosyne, who preside over the arts and sciences. <i>Yeats <b>muse</b> Maud Gonne.</i>
<b>nostalgia</b>	Something done or presented in order to evoke feelings of nostalgia. <i>An evening of TV <b>nostalgia</b>.</i>
<b>pensive</b>	Showing pensive sadness. <i>A <b>pensive</b> mood.</i>
<b>ponder</b>	Reflect deeply on a subject. <i>I <b>pondered</b> the question of what clothes to wear for the occasion.</i>

<b><u>preoccupied</u></b>	Deeply absorbed in thought. A <b>preoccupied</b> frown.
<b><u>reflective</u></b>	Devoted to matters of the mind. The <b>reflective</b> type.
<b>sadden</b>	Come to feel sad. The news of her death <b>saddened</b> me.
<b>sadness</b>	The quality of excessive mournfulness and uncheerfulness. A source of great <b>sadness</b> .
<b><u>somber</u></b>	Lacking brightness or color; dull. Children in <b>somber</b> brown clothes.
<b><u>sorrow</u></b>	An event or circumstance that causes sorrow. It was a great <b>sorrow</b> to her when they separated.
<b>thoughtful</b>	Taking heed giving close and thoughtful attention. Brows drawn together in <b>thoughtful</b> consideration.
<b><u>wistful</u></b>	Showing pensive sadness. A <b>wistful</b> smile.

