

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)

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He grew withdrawn and introspective.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

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

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

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

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

