

Need another word that means the same as “contempt”? Find 13 synonyms and 30 related words for “contempt” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Contempt” are: disrespect, scorn, despite, disdain, deprecation, disparagement, denigration, opprobrium, odium, obloquy, disregard, slighting, neglect**

## Contempt as a Noun

### Definitions of "Contempt" as a noun

According to the [Oxford Dictionary of English](#), “contempt” as a noun can have the following definitions:

- *A manner that is generally disrespectful and contemptuous.*
- *Lack of respect accompanied by a feeling of intense dislike.*
- *Open disrespect for a person or thing.*
- *The feeling that a person or a thing is worthless or beneath consideration.*
- *The offence of being disobedient to or disrespectful of a court of law and its officers.*
- *A willful disobedience to or disrespect for the authority of a court or legislative body.*
- *Disregard for something that should be considered.*



## Synonyms of "Contempt" as a noun (13 Words)

- denigration** A belittling comment.  
*I witnessed the **denigration** of anyone who failed to toe the line.*
- deprecation** A prayer to avert or remove some evil or disaster.
- despite** Lack of respect accompanied by a feeling of intense dislike.  
*The **despite** in which outsiders were held is legendary.*
- disdain** The feeling that someone or something is unworthy of one's consideration or respect.  
*Her upper lip curled in **disdain**.*
- disparagement** The act of speaking contemptuously of.
- disregard** Willful lack of care and attention.  
*Blatant **disregard** for the law.*
- disrespect** A disrespectful mental attitude.  
*Growing **disrespect** for the rule of law.*

<b>neglect</b>	The trait of neglecting responsibilities and lacking concern. <i>He was reported for <b>neglect</b> of duty.</i>
<b>obloquy</b>	State of disgrace resulting from public abuse. <i>He endured years of contempt and <b>obloquy</b>.</i>
<b>odium</b>	General or widespread hatred or disgust incurred by someone as a result of their actions. <i>He incurred widespread <b>odium</b> for military failures and government corruption.</i>
<b>opprobrium</b>	An occasion or cause of reproach or disgrace. <i>The critical <b>opprobrium</b> generated by his films.</i>
<b>scorn</b>	A feeling and expression of contempt or disdain for someone or something. <i>A scandal and a <b>scorn</b> to all who look on thee.</i>
<b>slighting</b>	A deliberate discourteous act (usually as an expression of anger or disapproval).



## Usage Examples of "Contempt" as a noun

- *He was held in contempt.*
- *Pam stared at the girl with total contempt.*



- *It is no wonder journalists are held in such contempt.*
- *When he was found to have lied to the House this was a contempt.*
- *This action displays an arrogant contempt for the wishes of the majority.*



## Associations of "Contempt" (30 Words)

<b>barrack</b>	Lodge in barracks. <i>The granary in which the platoons were <b>barracked</b>.</i>
<b>contemn</b>	Look down on with disdain. <i>It lay in Deronda's nature usually to <b>contemn</b> the feeble.</i>
<b>despise</b>	Look down on with disdain. <i>He <b>despised</b> himself for being selfish.</i>
<b>despite</b>	Lack of respect accompanied by a feeling of intense dislike. <i>She wanted neither favor nor <b>despite</b>.</i>
<b>disaffection</b>	A state or feeling of being dissatisfied, especially with people in authority or a system of control. <i>The widespread <b>disaffection</b> of the troops.</i>
<b>discourtesy</b>	A manner that is rude and insulting. <i>The fact that MPs were not kept informed was an extraordinary <b>discourtesy</b>.</i>
<b>discredit</b>	Damage the reputation of. <i>The paper <b>discredited</b> the politician with its nasty commentary.</i>
<b>disdain</b>	Look down on with disdain. <i>He <b>disdained</b> to discuss the matter further.</i>
<b>disgust</b>	Cause (someone) to feel revulsion or strong disapproval. <i>They were <b>disgusted</b> by the violence.</i>
<b>disrepute</b>	The state of being held in low esteem. <i>Because of the scandal the school has fallen into <b>disrepute</b>.</i>
<b>disrespect</b>	A manner that is generally disrespectful and contemptuous. <i>A young brave who <b>disrespects</b> his elders.</i>
<b>flout</b>	Laugh at with contempt and derision. <i>The women pointed and <b>flouted</b> at her.</i>
<b>gibe</b>	Laugh at with contempt and derision. <i>She proved impervious to his sarcastic <b>gibes</b>.</i>
<b>hatred</b>	Intense dislike; hate. <i>Racial <b>hatred</b>.</i>
<b>hostility</b>	Hostile behaviour; unfriendliness or opposition. <i>He could not conceal his <b>hostility</b>.</i>
<b>indignity</b>	An affront to one's dignity or self-esteem. <i>The <b>indignity</b> of needing financial help.</i>
<b>insult</b>	Treat, mention, or speak to rudely. <i>Turning his back on me was a deliberate <b>insult</b>.</i>

<b>jeer</b>	Laugh at with contempt and derision. <i>Some of the younger men <b>jeered</b> at him.</i>
<b>jibe</b>	Shift from one side of the ship to the other. <i>A <b>jibe</b> at his old rivals.</i>
<b>nauseate</b>	Upset and make nauseated. <i>They were <b>nauseated</b> by the jingoism.</i>
<b>repugnance</b>	The relation between propositions that cannot both be true at the same time. <i>Our <b>repugnance</b> at the bleeding carcasses.</i>
<b>repulsion</b>	The act of repulsing or repelling an attack; a successful defensive stand. <i>Bond lengths are increased due to increasing <b>repulsion</b> between the atoms.</i>
<b>revulsion</b>	A sense of disgust and loathing. <i>News of the attack will be met with sorrow and <b>revulsion</b>.</i>
<b>ridicule</b>	Subject to laughter or ridicule. <i>He is held up as an object of <b>ridicule</b>.</i>
<b>rudeness</b>	Lack of manners; discourteousness. <i>What I will not tolerate is <b>rudeness</b>.</i>
<b>scoff</b>	Laugh at with contempt and derision. <i>Patrick professed to <b>scoff</b> at soppy love scenes in films.</i>
<b>scorn</b>	Lack of respect accompanied by a feeling of intense dislike. <i>The professor <b>scorns</b> the students who don't catch on immediately.</i>
<b>sicken</b>	Make sick or ill. <i>She was <b>sickened</b> by the bomb attack.</i>
<b>sneering</b>	Contemptuous or mocking. <i>It will take a concerted effort from many to lay off the <b>sneering</b> and try understanding.</i>
<b>snide</b>	An unpleasant or underhand person. <i><b>Snide</b> remarks about my mother.</i>



