

Need another word that means the same as “degradation”? Find 17 synonyms and 30 related words for “degradation” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Degradation” are: abasement, abjection, debasement, humiliation, shame, loss of dignity, loss of self-respect, loss of pride, mortification, indignity, ignominy, discrediting, deterioration, degeneration, atrophy, decay, wasting away**

## Degradation as a Noun

### Definitions of "Degradation" as a noun

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

- *The condition or process of degrading or being degraded.*
- *A low or downcast state.*
- *A low or downcast state- H.L.Menchken.*
- *Changing to a lower state (a less respected state.*
- *The wearing down of rock by disintegration.*



## Synonyms of "Degradation" as a noun (17 Words)

**abasement**

A low or downcast state.  
*Each confession brought her into an attitude of **abasement**.*

**abjection**

A low or downcast state.



<b>atrophy</b>	The process of atrophying or state of having atrophied. <i>Extensive TV viewing may lead to <b>atrophy</b> of children s imaginations.</i>
<b>debasement</b>	The action or process of reducing the quality or value of something. <i>The outcome is rot and <b>debasement</b> of the system.</i>
<b>decay</b>	An inferior state resulting from the process of decaying. <i>Bacterial <b>decay</b>.</i>
<b>degeneration</b>	Deterioration and loss of function in the cells of a tissue or organ. <i><b>Degeneration</b> of the muscle fibres.</i>
<b>deterioration</b>	A symptom of reduced quality or strength. <i>A <b>deterioration</b> in the condition of the patient.</i>
<b>discrediting</b>	The state of being held in low esteem.
<b>humiliation</b>	The action of humiliating someone or the state of being humiliated. <i>The conference decision was a <b>humiliation</b> for the union s executive.</i>
<b>ignominy</b>	A state of dishonor. <i>Suffered the <b>ignominy</b> of being sent to prison.</i>
<b>indignity</b>	Treatment or circumstances that cause one to feel shame or to lose one's dignity. <i>The <b>indignity</b> of needing financial help.</i>
<b>loss of dignity</b>	The experience of losing a loved one.
<b>loss of pride</b>	The act of losing someone or something.
<b>loss of self-respect</b>	The disadvantage that results from losing something.
<b>mortification</b>	The act of mortifying the lusts of the flesh by self-denial and privation (especially by bodily pain or discomfort inflicted on yourself). <i>They mistook my <b>mortification</b> for an admission of guilt.</i>
<b>shame</b>	An unfortunate development. <i>It is a <b>shame</b> that they are not better known.</i>
<b>wasting away</b>	Any general reduction in vitality and strength of body and mind resulting from a debilitating chronic disease.



## Usage Examples of "Degradation" as a noun

- *A trail of human misery and degradation.*





## Associations of "Degradation" (30 Words)

<b>abase</b>	Behave in a way that belittles or degrades (someone). <i>I watched my colleagues abasing themselves before the board of trustees.</i>
<b><u>belittle</u></b>	Lessen the authority, dignity, or reputation of. <i>She <b>belittled</b> Amy's riding skills whenever she could.</i> (of information or a situation) revealing an embarrassing or incriminating secret about someone. <i>He was found in a <b>compromising</b> position.</i>
<b>compromising</b>	
<b>corruption</b>	Dishonest or fraudulent conduct by those in power, typically involving bribery. <i>The luxury and <b>corruption</b> among the upper classes.</i>
<b>criticism</b>	The scholarly investigation of literary or historical texts to determine their origin or intended form. <i>He received a lot of <b>criticism</b>.</i>
<b>debasement</b>	Changing to a lower state (a less respected state). <i>The outcome is rot and <b>debasement</b> of the system.</i>
<b>decomposition</b>	The organic phenomenon of rotting. <i>The <b>decomposition</b> of organic waste.</i>
<b><u>decry</u></b>	Express strong disapproval of. <i>They <b>decried</b> human rights abuses.</i>
<b><u>defamation</u></b>	An abusive attack on a person's character or good name. <i>She sued him for <b>defamation</b>.</i>
<b><u>defame</u></b>	Damage the good reputation of (someone); slander or libel. <i>The journalists have <b>defamed</b> me.</i>
<b>demean</b>	Do something that is beneath one's dignity. <i>Good potential MPs would not <b>demean</b> themselves by setting out to acquire popularity.</i>
<b>denigrate</b>	Charge falsely or with malicious intent. <i>Doom and gloom merchants who <b>denigrate</b> their own country.</i>
<b>derogate</b>	Disparage (someone or something). <i>It is typical of him to <b>derogate</b> the powers of reason.</i>
<b>disgrace</b>	Loss of reputation or respect as the result of a dishonourable action. <i>He has been publicly <b>disgraced</b> for offences for which he was not guilty.</i>
<b>dishonor</b>	Bring shame or dishonor upon. <i>He <b>dishonored</b> his family by committing a serious crime.</i>

<b>disparage</b>	Express a negative opinion of. <i>He never missed an opportunity to <b>disparage</b> his competitors.</i>
<b><u>humiliate</u></b>	Cause to feel shame; hurt the pride of. <i>You ll <b>humiliate</b> me in front of the whole school.</i>
<b><u>humiliation</u></b>	Strong feelings of embarrassment. <i>He fought back tears of <b>humiliation</b>.</i>
<b>imputation</b>	The assignment of a value to something by inference from the value of the products or processes to which it contributes. <i>There are grounds for inquiring into the <b>imputations</b> of misconduct against him.</i>
<b>indignity</b>	An affront to one's dignity or self-esteem. <i>The <b>indignity</b> of needing financial help.</i>
<b>infamy</b>	A state of extreme dishonor. <i>An act of <b>infamy</b>.</i>
<b>mortify</b>	(of flesh) be affected by gangrene or necrosis. <i><b>Mortify</b> the flesh.</i>
<b><u>notoriety</u></b>	The state of being known for some unfavorable act or quality. <i>She has a certain <b>notoriety</b>.</i>
<b>objectionable</b>	Liable to objection or debate; used of something one might take exception to. <i>A vulgar and <b>objectionable</b> person.</i>
<b>opprobrium</b>	A state of extreme dishonor- F.D.Roosevelt. <i>The critical <b>opprobrium</b> generated by his films.</i>
<b>permafrost</b>	A thick subsurface layer of soil that remains below freezing point throughout the year, occurring chiefly in polar regions. <i>Hilly terrain underlain by <b>permafrost</b>.</i>
<b><u>shame</u></b>	Make someone feel ashamed. <i>She <b>shamed</b> him into making amends.</i>
<b><u>slander</u></b>	An abusive attack on a person's character or good name. <i>I ve had just about all I can stomach of your <b>slanders</b>.</i>
<b>stultify</b>	Cause (someone) to appear foolish or absurd. <i>Nobody is legally allowed to <b>stultify</b> himself.</i>
<b>thawing</b>	The process whereby heat changes something from a solid to a liquid. <i>The <b>thawing</b> of a frozen turkey takes several hours.</i>



