

Need another word that means the same as “desolation”? Find 22 synonyms and 30 related words for “desolation” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Desolation” are: bareness, bleakness, nakedness, forlornness, loneliness, devastation, barrenness, starkness, grimness, misery, sadness, unhappiness, melancholy, gloom, gloominess, glumness, despondency, sorrow, depression, grief, mournfulness, woe**

## Desolation as a Noun

### Definitions of "Desolation" as a noun

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

- *An event that results in total destruction.*
- *Sadness resulting from being forsaken or abandoned.*
- *The state of being decayed or destroyed.*
- *A bleak and desolate atmosphere.*
- *Great unhappiness or loneliness.*
- *A state of complete emptiness or destruction.*



## Synonyms of "Desolation" as a noun (22 Words)

<b>bareness</b>	A bleak and desolate atmosphere.
<b>barrenness</b>	The state (usually of a woman) of having no children or being unable to have children.
<b>bleakness</b>	The quality or state of being bare and inhospitable. <i>The evening s rainy <b>bleakness</b>.</i>
<b>depression</b>	A period during the 1930s when there was a worldwide economic depression and mass unemployment. <i><b>Depression</b> of the plunger delivers two units of insulin.</i>
<b>despondency</b>	Low spirits from loss of hope or courage; dejection. <i>An air of <b>despondency</b>.</i>
<b>devastation</b>	Severe and overwhelming shock or grief. <i>She spoke of her <b>devastation</b> at his death.</i>
<b>forlornness</b>	Sadness resulting from being forsaken or abandoned.

<b>gloom</b>	A feeling of melancholy apprehension. <i>His <b>gloom</b> deepened.</i>
<b>gloominess</b>	A feeling of melancholy apprehension.
<b>glumness</b>	An atmosphere of depression and melancholy.
<b><u>grief</u></b>	Intense sorrow caused by loss of a loved one (especially by death). <i>Time heals <b>griefs</b> and quarrels.</i>
<b>grimness</b>	The quality of being ghastly.
<b>loneliness</b>	A disposition toward being alone. <i>The <b>loneliness</b> of the farm.</i>
<b><u>melancholy</u></b>	A humor that was once believed to be secreted by the kidneys or spleen and to cause sadness and melancholy. <i>He had an ability to convey a sense of deep <b>melancholy</b> and yearning through much of his work.</i>
<b><u>misery</u></b>	A state of ill-being due to affliction or misfortune. <i>The <b>misery</b> and wretchedness of those slums is intolerable.</i>
<b>mournfulness</b>	The passionate and demonstrative activity of expressing grief.
<b>nakedness</b>	The state of being without clothing or covering of any kind. <i>The <b>nakedness</b> of the landscape.</i>
<b>sadness</b>	Emotions experienced when not in a state of well-being. <i>It is one of life's <b>sadnesses</b>.</i>
<b><u>sorrow</u></b>	An event or circumstance that causes sorrow. <i>A bereaved person needs time to work through their <b>sorrow</b>.</i>
<b>starkness</b>	An extreme lack of furnishings or ornamentation. <i>The <b>starkness</b> of his contrast between justice and fairness was open to many objections.</i>
<b>unhappiness</b>	The feeling of not being happy; sadness. <i>I've seen too much <b>unhappiness</b> caused by broken marriages.</i>
<b>woe</b>	Intense mournfulness. <i>The Everton tale of <b>woe</b> continued.</i>





## Usage Examples of "Desolation" as a noun

- *The stony desolation of the desert.*
- *In choked desolation, she watched him leave.*





## Associations of "Desolation" (30 Words)

### absolute

Perfect or complete or pure.

***Absolute** silence.*

### arid

(of land or a climate) having little or no rain; too dry or barren to support vegetation.

*An **arid** climate.*

### **barren**

A barren tract or tracts of land.

*The flat feels too tidy almost **barren**.*

### **beggarly**

Marked by poverty befitting a beggar.

*A **beggarly** existence in the slums.*

### bleak

(of a person's expression) cold and forbidding.

*Prospects were **bleak**.*

### **calamitous**

Having extremely unfortunate or dire consequences; bringing ruin.

*Such **calamitous** events as fires hurricanes and floods.*

<b>depopulate</b>	Substantially reduce the population of (an area). <i>The disease could <b>depopulate</b> a town the size of Bournemouth.</i>
<b>desert</b>	Desert a cause a country or an army often in order to join the opposing cause country or army. <i>The mother <b>deserted</b> her children.</i>
<b>desiccate</b>	Remove water from. <i>A prissy and emotionless creature settles into a mold of <b>desiccated</b> snobbery.</i>
<b>destitute</b>	Completely wanting or lacking. <i>Towns <b>destitute</b> of commerce.</i>
<b>devastate</b>	Cause extensive destruction or ruin utterly. <i>He was <b>devastated</b> by his grief when his son died.</i>
<b>devoid</b>	Completely wanting or lacking. <i>The sentence was <b>devoid</b> of meaning.</i>
<b>expanse</b>	A wide and open space or area as of surface or land or sky. <i>The green <b>expanse</b> of the forest.</i>
<b>infertile</b>	(of a person, animal, or plant) unable to reproduce itself; unable to have young. <i><b>Infertile</b> couples are offered specialist advice.</i>
<b>infertility</b>	Inability to conceive children or young. <i>Chlamydia can cause <b>infertility</b> in women.</i>
<b>perfectly</b>	Used for emphasis, especially in order to assert something that has been challenged or doubted. <i>You re <b>perfectly</b> right.</i>
<b>poor</b>	Of a low or inferior standard or quality. <i>The food in the cafeteria was of <b>poor</b> quality.</i>
<b>ravage</b>	A destructive action. <i>The hurricane <b>ravaged</b> southern Florida.</i>
<b>stark</b>	Complete; sheer. <i><b>Stark</b> poverty.</i>
<b>sterile</b>	Free of or using methods to keep free of pathological microorganisms. <i>A <b>sterile</b> needle and syringes.</i>
<b>totally</b>	Used to emphasize a clause or statement. <i>She s almost <b>totally</b> deaf.</i>
<b>unadulterated</b>	(especially of food or drink) having no inferior added substances; pure. <i><b>Unadulterated</b> maple syrup.</i>

<b><u>unconditional</u></b>	Not conditional. <i><b>Unconditional</b> surrender.</i>
<b>unfruitful</b>	Not fruitful; not conducive to abundant production. <i>The meeting was <b>unfruitful</b>.</i>
<b><u>unmitigated</u></b>	Not diminished or moderated in intensity or severity; sometimes used as an intensifier. <i><b>Unmitigated</b> suffering.</i>
<b><u>unproductive</u></b>	Not producing or capable of producing. <i>The talks between labor and management were <b>unproductive</b>.</i>
<b><u>unsuccessful</u></b>	Not successful; having failed or having an unfavorable outcome. <i>An <b>unsuccessful</b> attempt to enter Parliament.</i>
<b><u>utter</u></b>	Express audibly utter sounds not necessarily words. <i>He <b>uttered</b> strange sounds that nobody could understand.</i>
<b><u>vested</u></b>	Fixed and absolute and without contingency. <i>A <b>vested</b> right.</i>
<b>windswept</b>	(of a place) exposed to strong winds. <i>The <b>windswept</b> moors.</i>

