

Need another word that means the same as “destruction”? Find 43 synonyms and 30 related words for “destruction” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Destruction” are: demolition, wipeout, devastation, death, end, knocking down, pulling down, tearing down, levelling, razing, felling, dismantling, breaking up, wrecking, ruination, smashing, shattering, blasting, blowing up, bombing, carpet bombing, spoliation, spoiling, blighting, marring, disfigurement, impairment, scarring, injury, harm, laying waste, desolation, ravaging, annihilation, wiping out, obliteration, elimination, eradication, liquidation, extinction, finishing off, rooting out, extirpation**

## **Destruction as a Noun**

### **Definitions of "Destruction" as a noun**

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

- *An event (or the result of an event) that completely destroys something.*
- *The termination of something by causing so much damage to it that it cannot be repaired or no longer exists.*
- *The action or process of causing so much damage to something that it no longer exists or cannot be repaired.*
- *A group of wild cats.*
- *The action or process of killing or being killed.*
- *A final state.*
- *A cause of someone's ruin.*



## Synonyms of "Destruction" as a noun (43 Words)

### [annihilation](#)

Total destruction.  
*The threat of global **annihilation**.*

### [blasting](#)

A very long fly ball.

### **blighting**

Any plant disease resulting in withering without rotting.

### **blowing up**

Processing that involves blowing a gas.

### [bombing](#)

Strong sealed vessel for measuring heat of combustion.  
*A series of terrorist **bombings**.*

### **breaking up**

The act of breaking something.

### **carpet bombing**

A natural object that resembles or suggests a carpet.

### **death**

The personification of death.  
*He had been depressed since the **death** of his father.*

### **demolition**

An overwhelming defeat.  
*The **demolition** of the huge tower was quite a spectacle.*

### [desolation](#)

A state of complete emptiness or destruction.  
*In choked **desolation** she watched him leave.*

<b>devastation</b>	The termination of something by causing so much damage to it that it cannot be repaired or no longer exists. <i>The floods caused widespread <b>devastation</b>.</i>
<b>disfigurement</b>	The act of damaging the appearance or surface of something. <i>A severe facial <b>disfigurement</b>.</i>
<b>dismantling</b>	The act of taking something apart (as a piece of machinery). <i>Russia and the United States discussed the <b>dismantling</b> of their nuclear weapons.</i>
<b>elimination</b>	The generation of a simple substance as a product in the course of a reaction involving larger molecules. <i>A condensation reaction can link together two monosaccharide sugars to form a disaccharide with the <b>elimination</b> of water.</i>
<b>end</b>	The point in time at which something ends. <i>The so called glorious experiment came to an inglorious <b>end</b>.</i>
<b>eradication</b>	The complete destruction of every trace of something. <i>The <b>eradication</b> of poverty.</i>
<b>extinction</b>	The wiping out of a debt. <i>They think a meteor cause the <b>extinction</b> of the dinosaurs.</i>
<b>extirpation</b>	The act of pulling up or out; uprooting; cutting off from existence.
<b>felling</b>	The act of felling something as a tree.
<b>finishing off</b>	The act of finishing.
<b><u>harm</u></b>	The act of damaging something or someone. <i>It s unlikely to do much <b>harm</b> to the engine.</i>
<b><u>impairment</u></b>	A symptom of reduced quality or strength. <i>A degree of physical or mental <b>impairment</b>.</i>
<b>injury</b>	Wrongdoing that violates another's rights and is unjustly inflicted. <i>All escaped without serious <b>injury</b>.</i>
<b>knocking down</b>	The act of hitting vigorously.
<b>laying waste</b>	The production of eggs (especially in birds).
<b>levelling</b>	A relative position or degree of value in a graded group.
<b>liquidation</b>	The murder of a competitor. <i>The company went into <b>liquidation</b>.</i>
<b>marring</b>	The month following February and preceding April.
<b>obliteration</b>	Destruction by annihilating something. <i>Headlines about the <b>obliteration</b> of the green belt.</i>
<b>pulling down</b>	A device used for pulling something.

<b>ravaging</b>	A destructive action.
<b>razing</b>	Complete destruction of a building.
<b>rooting out</b>	The usually underground organ that lacks buds or leaves or nodes; absorbs water and mineral salts; usually it anchors the plant to the ground.
<b>ruination</b>	An event that results in destruction. <i>The headquarters fell into <b>ruination</b>.</i>
<b>scarring</b>	An indication of damage.
<b>shattering</b>	The act of breaking something into small pieces.
<b>smashing</b>	The act of breaking something into small pieces.
<b>spoiling</b>	The act of spoiling something by causing damage to it. <i>Her <b>spoiling</b> my dress was deliberate.</i>
<b>spoliation</b>	The action of ruining or destroying something. <i>The <b>spoliation</b> of the Church.</i>
<b>tearing down</b>	A drop of the clear salty saline solution secreted by the lacrimal glands.
<b>wipeout</b>	An event (or the result of an event) that completely destroys something. <i>A nuclear <b>wipeout</b>.</i>
<b>wiping out</b>	A failure by a batter or runner to reach a base safely in baseball.
<b>wrecking</b>	The event of a structure being completely demolished and leveled. <i>His main business was <b>wrecking</b> and removal.</i>





## Usage Examples of "Destruction" as a noun

- *Gambling was his destruction.*
- *The wanton destruction of human life.*
- *The destruction of the rainforest.*
- *The avalanche left a trail of destruction.*



## Associations of "Destruction" (30 Words)

<b>abolish</b>	Do away with. <i>Slavery was <b>abolished</b> in the mid 19th century in America and in Russia.</i>
<b><u>annihilate</u></b>	Convert (a subatomic particle) into radiant energy. <i>A fraction of the mass of atomic nuclei is <b>annihilated</b>.</i>
<b><u>annihilation</u></b>	Complete destruction or obliteration. <i>A show of independence is its only hope of avoiding <b>annihilation</b> in next year's elections.</i>
<b>blighted</b>	Affected by blight; anything that mars or prevents growth or prosperity. <i>A <b>blighted</b> rose.</i>
<b>breaker</b>	A quarry worker who splits off blocks of stone. <i>Those steam engines were now gone to the <b>breaker's</b> yard.</i>
<b><u>carnage</u></b>	The killing of a large number of people. <i>The bombing was timed to cause as much <b>carnage</b> as possible.</i>
<b>conquest</b>	The subjugation and assumption of control of a place or people by military force. <i>The <b>conquest</b> of the Aztecs by the Spanish.</i>

<b><u>decimate</u></b>	Kill one in every ten, as of mutineers in Roman armies. <i>Public transport has been <b>decimated</b>.</i>
<b><u>deconstruct</u></b>	Analyse a text or linguistic or conceptual system by deconstruction. <i>She likes to <b>deconstruct</b> the texts to uncover what they are not saying.</i>
<b>demolition</b>	The action or process of demolishing or being demolished. <i>Ireland's <b>demolition</b> of England.</i>
<b>destroy</b>	Destroy completely damage irreparably. <i>The fire <b>destroyed</b> the house.</i>
<b>devastation</b>	The termination of something by causing so much damage to it that it cannot be repaired or no longer exists. <i>Her departure left him in utter <b>devastation</b>.</i>
<b>disintegration</b>	The spontaneous disintegration of a radioactive substance along with the emission of ionizing radiation. <i>The twin problems of economic failure and social <b>disintegration</b>.</i>
<b>eliminate</b>	Eliminate from the body. <i>A policy that would <b>eliminate</b> inflation.</i>
<b><u>endanger</u></b>	Pose a threat to; present a danger to. <i>The pollution is <b>endangering</b> the crops.</i>
<b>explosive</b>	(of a vocal sound) produced with a sharp release of air. <i><b>Explosive</b> violence.</i>
<b><u>exterminate</u></b>	Kill en masse; kill on a large scale; kill many. <i>They use poison to <b>exterminate</b> moles.</i>
<b>extirpate</b>	Eradicate or destroy completely. <i>Timber wolves were <b>extirpated</b> from New England more than a century ago.</i>
<b><u>havoc</u></b>	Violent and needless disturbance. <i>If they weren't at school they'd be wreaking <b>havoc</b> in the streets.</i>
<b>iconoclasm</b>	The orientation of an iconoclast.
<b>iconoclast</b>	A destroyer of images used in religious worship.
<b><u>jeopardize</u></b>	Put (someone or something) into a situation in which there is a danger of loss, harm, or failure. <i>A devaluation of the dollar would <b>jeopardize</b> New York's position as a financial centre.</i>
<b>massacre</b>	An indiscriminate and brutal slaughter of many people. <i>The 25 000 ecstatic fans that packed into Coruna's shabby Riazor Stadium witnessed a <b>massacre</b>.</i>



<b>molecule</b>	(physics and chemistry) the simplest structural unit of an element or compound.
<b>raze</b>	Tear down so as to make flat with the ground. <i>Villages were <b>razed</b> to the ground.</i>
<b>scourge</b>	Punish severely; excoriate. <i>Political methods used to <b>scourge</b> and oppress workers.</i>
<b><u>subversion</u></b>	Destroying someone's (or some group's) honesty or loyalty; undermining moral integrity. <i>The big city's <b>subversion</b> of rural innocence.</i>
<b>threaten</b>	To be a menacing indication of something. <i>The trade unions <b>threatened</b> a general strike.</i>
<b><u>wreck</u></b>	Involve someone in a shipwreck. <i>Police began handing out warnings to people <b>wrecking</b> cars without a license.</i>
<b>wrought</b>	(of metals) beaten out or shaped by hammering. <i>Well <b>wrought</b> pop music.</i>

