

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 <u>Oxford Dictionary of English</u>, "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 <b>annihilation</b> .
<u>blasting</u>	A very long fly ball.
blighting	Any plant disease resulting in withering without rotting.
blowing up	Processing that involves blowing a gas.
<u>bombing</u>	Strong sealed vessel for measuring heat of combustion. A series of terrorist <b>bombing</b> s.
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 <b>death</b> of his father.
demolition	An overwhelming defeat. The <b>demolition</b> of the huge tower was quite a spectacle.
<u>desolation</u>	A state of complete emptiness or destruction. In choked <b>desolation</b> she watched him leave.



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



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

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



<u>decimate</u>	Kill one in every ten, as of mutineers in Roman armies. Public transport has been <b>decimate</b> d.
<u>deconstruct</u>	Analyse a text or linguistic or conceptual system by deconstruction. She likes to <b>deconstruct</b> the texts to uncover what they are not saying.
demolition	The action or process of demolishing or being demolished. Ireland s <b>demolition</b> of England.
destroy	Destroy completely damage irreparably. <i>The fire <b>destroy</b>ed the house.</i>
devastation	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>
disintegration	The spontaneous disintegration of a radioactive substance along with the emission of ionizing radiation. The twin problems of economic failure and social <b>disintegration</b> .
eliminate	Eliminate from the body. A policy that would <b>eliminate</b> inflation.
<u>endanger</u>	Pose a threat to; present a danger to. The pollution is <b>endanger</b> ing the crops.
explosive	(of a vocal sound) produced with a sharp release of air. <i>Explosive</i> violence.
<u>exterminate</u>	Kill en masse; kill on a large scale; kill many. They use poison to <b>exterminate</b> moles.
extirpate	Eradicate or destroy completely. <i>Timber wolves were</i> <b>extirpate</b> d from New England more than a century ago.
<u>havoc</u>	Violent and needless disturbance. If they weren t at school they d be wreaking <b>havoc</b> in the streets.
iconoclasm	The orientation of an iconoclast.
iconoclast	A destroyer of images used in religious worship.
jeopardize	Put (someone or something) into a situation in which there is a danger of loss, harm, or failure. A devaluation of the dollar would <b>jeopardize</b> New York s position as a financial centre.
massacre	An indiscriminate and brutal slaughter of many people. The 25 000 ecstatic fans that packed into Coruna s shabby Riazor Stadium witnessed a <b>massacre</b> .



molecule	(physics and chemistry) the simplest structural unit of an element or compound.
raze	Tear down so as to make flat with the ground. Villages were <b>raze</b> d to the ground.
scourge	Punish severely; excoriate. Political methods used to <b>scourge</b> and oppress workers.
subversion	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> .
threaten	To be a menacing indication of something. The trade unions <b>threaten</b> ed a general strike.
<u>wreck</u>	Involve someone in a shipwreck. Police began handing out warnings to people <b>wreck</b> ing cars without a license.
wrought	(of metals) beaten out or shaped by hammering. Well <b>wrought</b> pop music.

