

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

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The synonyms of “Diminutive” are: **bantam, flyspeck, lilliputian, midget, petite, tiny, small, little, minute, miniature, mini, minuscule, microscopic, nanoscopic, small-scale, compact, pocket, undersized, short, stubby, elfin, dwarfish, pygmy, homuncular, short form, contraction, elision, acronym, initialism, symbol**

Diminutive as a Noun

Definitions of "Diminutive" as a noun

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

- *A shortened form of a name, typically used informally.*
- *A word that is formed with a suffix (such as -let or -kin) to indicate smallness.*
- *A diminutive word or suffix.*
- *A charge of the same form as an ordinary but of lesser size or width.*

Synonyms of "Diminutive" as a noun (6 Words)

[acronym](#)

An abbreviation formed from the initial letters of other words and pronounced as a word (e.g. ASCII, NASA).

The word *scuba* is an **acronym** for *s elf c ontained u nderwater b reathing a pparatus*.

<u>contraction</u>	The process or result of becoming smaller or pressed together. <i>The manufacturing sector suffered a severe contraction.</i>
elision	The omission of a sound or syllable when speaking (as in I'm, let's). <i>Unease at the elision of so many vital questions.</i>
initialism	A word formed from the initial letters of the several words in the name and pronounced as one word. <i>NATO is an initialism for North Atlantic Treaty Organization.</i>
short form	The location on a baseball field where the shortstop is stationed.
<u>symbol</u>	A mark or character used as a conventional representation of an object, function, or process, e.g. the letter or letters standing for a chemical element or a character in musical notation. <i>The limousine was another symbol of his wealth and authority.</i>

Usage Examples of "Diminutive" as a noun

- 'Nick' is a diminutive of 'Nicholas'.

Diminutive as an Adjective

Definitions of "Diminutive" as an adjective

According to the [Oxford Dictionary of English](#), "diminutive" as an adjective can have the following definitions:

- (of a word, name, or suffix) implying smallness, either actual or imputed to convey affection, scorn, etc. (e.g. teeny, -let, -kins).
- Extremely or unusually small.
- Very small.

Synonyms of "Diminutive" as an adjective (24 Words)

bantam	Very small.
<u>compact</u>	Briefly giving the gist of something. <i>Towns compact of wooden houses.</i>
dwarfish	Atypically small.
elfin	(of a person or their face) small and delicate, typically with a mischievous charm. <i>Obsessed by things elfin and small.</i>

flyspeck	Very small. <i>The flyspeck nation of Bahrain moved toward democracy.</i>
homuncular	(of a person or animal) very small; diminutive.
lilliputian	Tiny; relating to or characteristic of the imaginary country of Lilliput. <i>A lilliputian chest of drawers.</i>
little	Used in names of animals and plants that are smaller than related kinds e.g. little grebe. <i>A nice little job.</i>
microscopic	So small as to be visible only with a microscope. <i>Microscopical examination.</i>
mini	Denoting a miniature version of something. <i>A bouquet of mini carnations.</i>
miniature	Being on a very small scale. <i>A miniature camera.</i>
minuscule	Lowercase. <i>E e cummings s poetry is written all in minuscule letters.</i>
minute	Infinitely or immeasurably small. <i>Two minute whiplike threads of protoplasm.</i>
nanoscopic	Extremely small. <i>His comment contains a nanoscopic grain of truth.</i>
<u>petite</u>	Attractively small and dainty (used of a woman). <i>Her petite figure.</i>
pocket	Of a suitable size for carrying in a pocket. <i>A 6 000 acre pocket paradise.</i>
pygmy	Used in names of animals and plants that are much smaller than more typical kinds e.g. pygmy shrew pygmy water lily.
short	Tending to crumble or break into flakes due to a large amount of shortening. <i>The English vowel sounds in pat pet pit pot putt are short.</i>
small	Relatively moderate limited or small. <i>A rather small amount of money.</i>
small-scale	Created or drawn on a small scale.
stubby	Short and thick. <i>Stubby fingers.</i>
tiny	Very small. <i>Tiny feet.</i>
undersized	Smaller than normal for its kind. <i>The undersized cubs may not survive the winter.</i>

Usage Examples of "Diminutive" as an adjective

- *A diminutive figure dressed in black.*
- *Diminutive in stature.*

Associations of "Diminutive" (30 Words)

<u>few</u>	The RAF pilots who took part in the Battle of Britain. <i>A world that increasingly belongs to the few.</i>
<u>handful</u>	A small number or amount. <i>A small handful of fresh coriander.</i>
iota	The ninth letter of the Greek alphabet (Ι, ι), transliterated as 'i'. <i>Nothing she said seemed to make an iota of difference.</i>
least	Used in names of very small animals and plants e g least shrew. <i>It is the least I can do.</i>
<u>less</u>	Used to form the comparative of some adjectives and adverbs. <i>Less than three years old.</i>
lilliputian	Very small. <i>A lilliputian chest of drawers.</i>
mini	Denoting a miniature version of something. <i>A mini dress.</i>
miniature	Painting or drawing included in a book (especially in illuminated medieval manuscripts). <i>She saw her own reflection miniatured.</i>
<u>minimal</u>	Of a minimum amount, quantity, or degree; negligible. <i>The aircraft suffered minimal damage.</i>
<u>miniscule</u>	Extremely small.
<u>minor</u>	Of a premise containing the minor term in a categorical syllogism. <i>A bid of two no trumps shows strength in the minors.</i>
minuscule	Minuscule script. <i>A minuscule kitchen.</i>
neap	Of a tide tend towards or reach the highest point of a neap tide. <i>Neaps occur at 6 a m and 6 p m.</i>
<u>negligible</u>	So small or unimportant as to be not worth considering; insignificant. <i>He said that the risks were negligible.</i>
peccadillo	A relatively minor fault or sin. <i>The sexual peccadilloes of celebrities aren t necessarily news.</i>

pettiness	Undue concern with trivial matters, especially of a small-minded or spiteful nature. <i>Try to overlook insults and pettinesses.</i>
pinprick	A prick caused by a pin. <i>Compared with the indignities he had so far endured this was a mere pinprick.</i>
puny	(used especially of persons) of inferior size. <i>White faced puny children.</i>
quaver	A shake or tremble in a person's voice. <i>I m not safe here am I she said in a quavering voice.</i>
remotely	From a distance; without physical contact. <i>The meeting was the first to be held remotely using conferencing software.</i>
several	Applied or regarded separately. <i>The two levels of government sort out their several responsibilities.</i>
slight	A deliberate discourteous act (usually as an expression of anger or disapproval). <i>Slight evidence.</i>
slightly	To a small degree or extent. <i>They are all slightly different.</i>
smattering	A slight superficial knowledge of a language or subject. <i>A smattering of snow.</i>
tenuous	Lacking substance or significance. <i>The tenuous link between interest rates and investment.</i>
tiny	Very small. <i>Tiny feet.</i>
trifling	The deliberate act of delaying and playing instead of working. <i>A trifling matter.</i>
trivial	Concerned with trivialities. <i>A trivial young woman.</i>
undersized	Of less than the usual size. <i>The undersized cubs may not survive the winter.</i>
wee	Little. <i>The lyrics are a wee bit too sweet and sentimental.</i>