

Need another word that means the same as “dismissive”? Find 11 synonyms and 30 related words for “dismissive” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Dismissive” are: contemptuous, disdainful, scornful, sneering, snide, scathing, disparaging, negative, unenthusiastic, offhand, perfunctory**

## **Dismissive as an Adjective**

### **Definitions of "Dismissive" as an adjective**

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

- *Stopping to associate with.*
- *Feeling or showing that something is unworthy of consideration.*
- *Showing indifference or disregard.*



## Synonyms of "Dismissive" as an adjective (11 Words)

- contemptuous** Showing contempt; scornful.  
*She was intolerant and **contemptuous** of the majority of the human race.*
- disdainful** Having or showing arrogant superiority to and disdain of those one views as unworthy.  
*Some economists are **disdainful** of their colleagues in other social disciplines.*
- disparaging** Expressive of low opinion.  
***Disparaging** remarks about council houses.*
- negative** Having a negative charge.  
*A **negative** outlook on life.*
- offhand** Ungraciously or offensively nonchalant or cool in manner.  
*You were a bit **offhand** with her this afternoon.*
- perfunctory** Done or produced as a formality only.  
*He gave a **perfunctory** nod.*
- scathing** Marked by harshly abusive criticism.  
*She launched a **scathing** attack on the Prime Minister.*
- scornful** Feeling or expressing contempt or derision.  
*The opposition were **scornful** of the Prime Minister's proposal.*



- sneering** Contemptuous or mocking.  
*Spoke in a **sneering** jeering manner.*
- snide** Counterfeit; inferior.  
*A **snide** divorce lawyer.*
- unenthusiastic** Not enthusiastic; lacking excitement or ardor.  
*An **unenthusiastic** response.*



## Usage Examples of "Dismissive" as an adjective

- *His dismissive attitude towards women left him isolated.*
- *'chronic fatigue syndrome' was known by the dismissive term 'housewife syndrome.'*
- *They took dismissive action after the third violation.*
- *A dismissive shrug.*
- *Monetarist theory is dismissive of the need to control local spending.*
- *The firm is dismissive of the competitor's product.*



## Associations of "Dismissive" (30 Words)

<b>blunt</b>	Make dull or blunt. A <b>blunt</b> instrument.
<b>brusque</b>	Marked by rude or peremptory shortness. <i>She could be <b>brusque</b> and impatient.</i>
<b>brusqueness</b>	An abrupt discourteous manner.
<b>contemptuous</b>	Showing contempt; scornful. <i>She was intolerant and <b>contemptuous</b> of the majority of the human race.</i>
<b>curt</b>	Brief and to the point; effectively cut short. A <b>curt</b> reply.
<b>deceitful</b>	Intended to deceive. <i>Such an act would have been <b>deceitful</b> and irresponsible.</i>
<b>discourteous</b>	Showing rudeness and a lack of consideration for other people. <i>A distant and at times <b>discourteous</b> young.</i>
<b>disrespectful</b>	Exhibiting lack of respect; rude and discourteous. <i>A deeply <b>disrespectful</b> attitude towards women.</i>
<b>flippant</b>	Showing inappropriate levity. A <b>flippant</b> remark.



<b>frivolity</b>	Acting like a clown or buffoon. <i>A night of fun and <b>frivolity</b>.</i>
<b>frivolous</b>	(of a person) carefree and superficial. <i>A <b>frivolous</b> young woman.</i>
<b>immodest</b>	Lacking humility or decency. <i>Brash <b>immodest</b> boasting.</i>
<b>impolite</b>	Not polite. <i>It would have been <b>impolite</b> to refuse.</i>
<b>impropriety</b>	The condition of being improper. <i>She was scandalized at the <b>impropriety</b> of the question.</i>
<b>impudent</b>	Not showing due respect for another person; impertinent. <i>The student was kept in for <b>impudent</b> behavior.</i>
<b>indelicate</b>	Verging on the indecent. <i>An earthy often <b>indelicate</b> sense of humour.</i>
<b>indignity</b>	An affront to one's dignity or self-esteem. <i>The <b>indignity</b> of needing financial help.</i>
<b><u>insolent</u></b>	Unrestrained by convention or propriety. <i>The modern world with its quick material successes and <b>insolent</b> belief in the boundless possibilities of progress.</i>
<b><u>insult</u></b>	A disrespectful or scornfully abusive remark or act. <i>Turning his back on me was a deliberate <b>insult</b>.</i>
<b>insulting</b>	Expressing extreme contempt. <i><b>Insulting</b> remarks.</i>
<b>mocking</b>	Abusing vocally; expressing contempt or ridicule. <i>He got jeers and <b>mocking</b> laughter as he addressed the marchers.</i>
<b>rude</b>	Belonging to an early stage of technical development characterized by simplicity and often crudeness. <i>It s <b>rude</b> to talk about people right in front of them.</i>
<b>rudely</b>	In a startling and abrupt way. <i>He <b>rudely</b> snatched the water pitcher.</i>
<b><u>sarcastic</u></b>	Expressing or expressive of ridicule that wounds. <i>Making <b>sarcastic</b> comments.</i>
<b><u>scornful</u></b>	Feeling or expressing contempt or derision. <i>The opposition were <b>scornful</b> of the Prime Minister s proposal.</i>
<b>sneering</b>	Expressive of contempt. <i>Spoke in a <b>sneering</b> jeering manner.</i>

- teasing** Playfully vexing (especially by ridicule).  
*The parody was just a form of **teasing**.*
- uncivil** Lacking civility or good manners- Willa Cather.  
*Want nothing from you but to get away from your **uncivil** tongue.*
- uninterested** Not having or showing interest.  
*I was totally **uninterested** in boys.*
- withering** (of heat) intense; scorching.  
*A **withering** look.*

