

Need another word that means the same as “distrustful”? Find 7 synonyms and 30 related words for “distrustful” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Distrustful” are: mistrustful, suspicious, chary, apprehensive, lacking trust, lacking confidence, lacking faith

Distrustful as an Adjective

Definitions of "Distrustful" as an adjective

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

- *Having or showing distrust.*
- *Feeling or showing distrust of someone or something.*



Synonyms of "Distrustful" as an adjective (7 Words)

apprehensive

Quick to understand- Nathaniel Hawthorne.
*He felt **apprehensive** about going home.*

chary

Characterized by great caution and wariness.
*A **chary** investor.*

lacking confidence Inadequate in amount or degree.

lacking faith Inadequate in amount or degree.

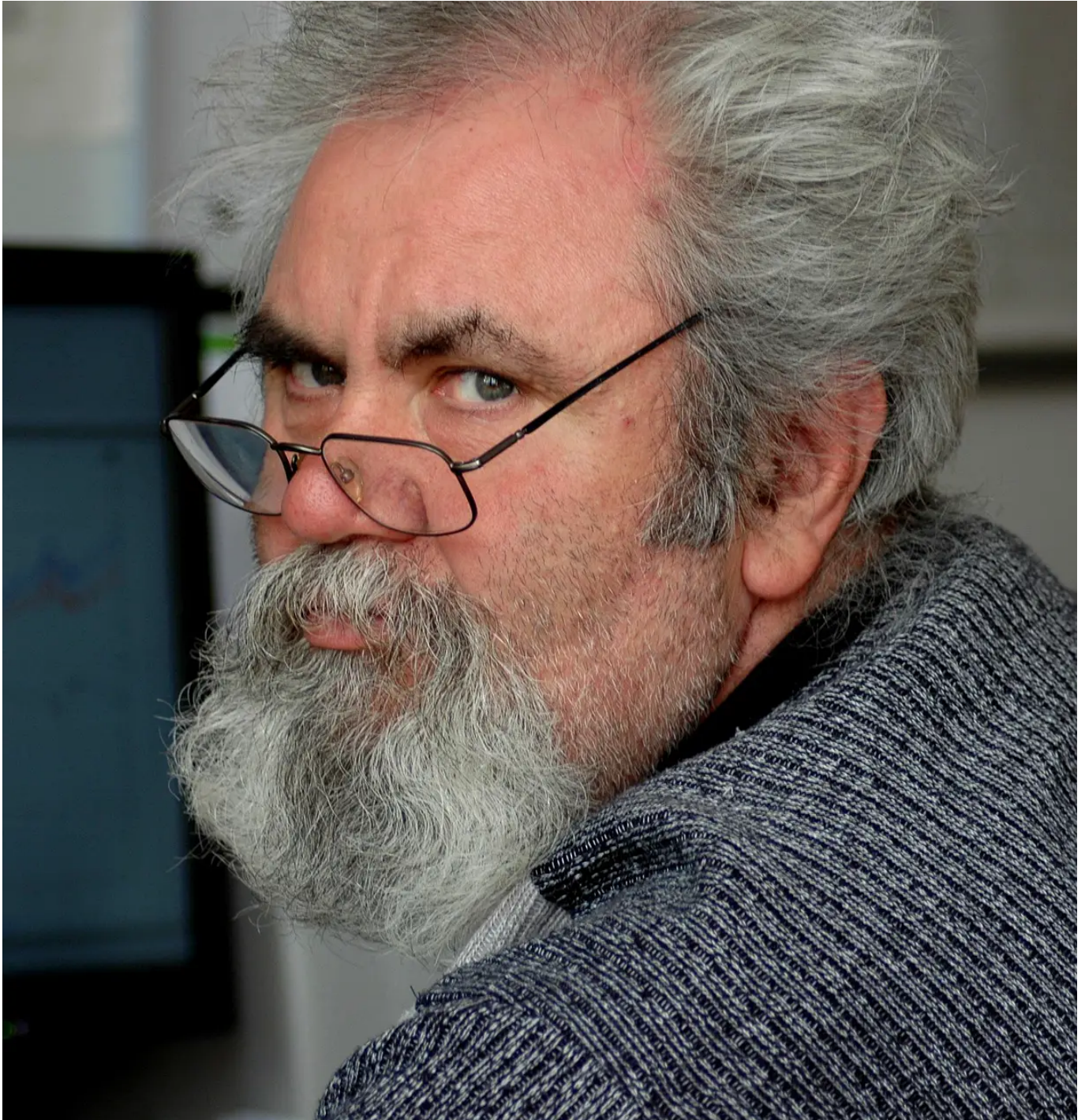
lacking trust Nonexistent.

mistrustful

Openly distrustful and unwilling to confide.
*He wondered if he had been unduly **mistrustful** of her.*

suspicious

Not as expected.
*They are not treating the fire as **suspicious**.*



Usage Examples of "Distrustful" as an adjective

- *I have grown up to be distrustful of men.*
- *Vigilant and distrustful superintendence.*

- *A man of distrustful nature.*
- *My experience...in other fields of law has made me distrustful of rules of thumb generally.*



Associations of "Distrustful" (30 Words)

accusation	The action or process of accusing someone. <i>There was accusation in Brian s voice.</i>
allegation	A claim or assertion that someone has done something illegal or wrong, typically one made without proof. <i>An allegation of malpractice.</i>
anger	Fill someone with anger provoke anger in. <i>She was angered by his terse answer.</i>
antagonism	Active hostility or opposition. <i>The antagonism between them.</i>

censure	The formal expression of severe disapproval. <i>The company was heavily censured by inspectors from the Department of Trade.</i>
collusion	Collusion between ostensible opponents in a lawsuit. <i>The armed forces were working in collusion with drug traffickers.</i>
disbelief	Doubt about the truth of something. <i>I ll burn in hell for disbelief.</i>
doubt	Lack confidence in or have doubts about. <i>They had doubts that they would ever win.</i>
doubtful	Not known with certainty. <i>The fire was of doubtful origin.</i>
dubiety	The state or quality of being doubtful; uncertainty. <i>His enemies made much of the dubiety of his paternity.</i>
dubious	Not to be relied upon; suspect. <i>He holds the dubious distinction of being relegated with every club he has played for.</i>
illegality	The state of being contrary to or forbidden by law, especially criminal law. <i>Proceedings will be required to establish the illegality of the act.</i>
inability	Lacking the power to perform. <i>His inability to accept new ideas.</i>
incredulous	Not disposed or willing to believe; unbelieving. <i>An incredulous gasp.</i>
incrimination	An accusation that you are responsible for some lapse or misdeed. <i>His incrimination was based on my testimony.</i>
leery	Openly distrustful and unwilling to confide. <i>A city leery of gang violence.</i>
misdeed	A wicked or illegal act. <i>His past misdeeds were forgiven.</i>
misgiving	Doubt about someone's honesty. <i>We have misgivings about the way the campaign is being run.</i>
mistrust	Doubt about someone's honesty. <i>She had no cause to mistrust him.</i>
qualm	A momentary faint or sick feeling. <i>Military regimes generally have no qualms about controlling the press.</i>
recrimination	An accusation in response to one from someone else. <i>There are no tears no recriminations.</i>

reproach	In the Roman Catholic Church a set of antiphons and responses for Good Friday representing the reproaches of Christ to his people. <i>His elegance is a living reproach to our slovenly habits.</i>
reproof	Censure severely or angrily. <i>A look of reproof.</i>
<u>scold</u>	Someone (especially a woman) who annoys people by constantly finding fault. <i>Mum took Anna away scolding her for her bad behaviour.</i>
skeptic	Someone who habitually doubts accepted beliefs.
<u>suspect</u>	Imagine to be the case or true or probable. <i>A broker whose honesty he had no reason to suspect.</i>
<u>suspicion</u>	A feeling or thought that something is possible, likely, or true. <i>He tried to shield me from suspicion.</i>
<u>suspicious</u>	Not as expected. <i>They are not treating the fire as suspicious.</i>
<u>uncertainty</u>	Being unsettled or in doubt or dependent on chance. <i>The uncertainty of the outcome.</i>
unwillingness	The quality or state of being unwilling to do something; reluctance. <i>He deplored the Government's unwillingness to provide adequate funds.</i>

