

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

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The synonyms of “Disturbance” are: affray, fray, ruffle, commotion, disruption, flutter, hoo-ha, hoo-hah, kerfuffle, to-do, interference, noise, folie, perturbation, upset, distraction, bother, trouble, inconvenience, annoyance, irritation, riot, fracas, upheaval, brawl, street fight, melee, distress, concern, worry

Disturbance as a Noun

Definitions of "Disturbance" as a noun

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

- *Interference with rights or property.*
- *The interruption of a settled and peaceful condition.*
- *The act of disturbing something or someone; setting something in motion.*
- *A state in which normal mental or physical functioning is disrupted.*
- *A disorderly outburst or tumult.*
- *Electrical or acoustic activity that can disturb communication.*
- *Activity that is a malfunction, intrusion, or interruption.*
- *A noisy fight.*
- *A breakdown of peaceful and law-abiding behaviour.*
- *A psychological disorder of thought or emotion; a more neutral term than mental illness.*
- *(psychiatry) a psychological disorder of thought or emotion; a more neutral term than mental illness.*
- *An unhappy and worried mental state.*



Synonyms of "Disturbance" as a noun (30 Words)

affray	An instance of group fighting in a public place that disturbs the peace. <i>A person guilty of affray.</i>
annoyance	Something or someone that causes trouble; a source of unhappiness. <i>The Council found him an annoyance.</i>
bother	Something or someone that causes trouble; a source of unhappiness. <i>I hope she hasn't been a bother.</i>
brawl	An uproarious party. <i>He'd got into a drunken brawl in a bar.</i>
<u>commotion</u>	A disorderly outburst or tumult. <i>She was distracted by a commotion across the street.</i>
concern	A business. <i>The town's only travel agent was a small debt ridden concern.</i>
disruption	An event that results in a displacement or discontinuity. <i>The scheme was planned to minimize disruption.</i>
<u>distraction</u>	Mental turmoil. <i>There are plenty of distractions such as sailing.</i>
distress	The seizure and holding of property as security for payment of a debt or satisfaction of a claim. <i>They said the baby was in distress.</i>
<u>flutter</u>	An act of fluttering. <i>There was a flutter of wings at the window.</i>
folie	A psychological disorder of thought or emotion; a more neutral term than mental illness.
fracas	Noisy quarrel. <i>The fracas was broken up by stewards.</i>
<u>fray</u>	A noisy fight.
hoo-ha	A disorderly outburst or tumult.
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inconvenience	The state or fact of being troublesome or difficult with regard to one's personal requirements or comfort. <i>The inconveniences of life in a remote city.</i>
interference	Blocking a player's path with your body. <i>Concerns about government interference in church life.</i>
<u>irritation</u>	A sudden outburst of anger. <i>Any food produced irritation of the stomach.</i>

<u>kerfuffle</u>	A commotion or fuss, especially one caused by conflicting views. <i>There was a kerfuffle over the chairmanship.</i>
melee	A confused crowd of people. <i>The melee of people that were always thronging the streets.</i>
noise	A loud outcry of protest or complaint. <i>During the firework display that ended the gala the noise reached 98 decibels.</i>
perturbation	Activity that is a malfunction, intrusion, or interruption. <i>The term distress connotes some degree of perturbation and emotional upset.</i>
<u>riot</u>	An uproar. <i>A riot of emotions raged through Fabia.</i>
ruffle	A noisy fight.
street fight	The streets of a city viewed as a depressed environment in which there is poverty and crime and prostitution and dereliction.
to-do	A disorderly outburst or tumult.
trouble	Used to refer to the condition of a pregnant unmarried woman. <i>He s been in trouble with the police.</i>
<u>upheaval</u>	Disturbance usually in protest. <i>Major upheavals in the financial markets.</i>
upset	The act of upsetting something. <i>She didn t realize the upset she caused me.</i>
<u>worry</u>	A source of anxiety. <i>His worry over the prospect of being fired.</i>



Usage Examples of "Disturbance" as a noun

- *The disturbances were precipitated when four men were refused bail.*
- *There was too much anger and disturbance.*
- *There was a disturbance of neural function.*
- *A helicopter landing can cause disturbance to residents.*
- *Children with learning difficulty and personality disturbance.*
- *He looked around for the source of the disturbance.*
- *They were amazed by the furious disturbance they had caused.*



Associations of "Disturbance" (30 Words)

agitation	A state of agitation or turbulent change or development. <i>The techniques mostly involve agitation by stirring.</i>
brouhaha	A confused disturbance far greater than its cause merits. <i>All that election brouhaha.</i>
cease	Cease is a noun only in the phrase without cease end. <i>They were asked to cease all military activity.</i>
chaos	The formless matter supposed to have existed before the creation of the universe. <i>Snow caused chaos in the region.</i>
clamor	Compel someone to do something by insistent clamoring. <i>He clamored for justice and tolerance.</i>
clatter	Fall or move with a clatter. <i>Bennett clattered Coleman ten yards out from goal.</i>
commotion	Civil insurrection. <i>Damage caused by civil commotion.</i>
confusion	Disorder resulting from a failure to behave predictably. <i>He changed his name in order to avoid confusion with the notorious outlaw.</i>
din	Make a resonant sound, like artillery. <i>A runner up he dinned into them was a loser.</i>
disorder	Bring disorder to. <i>An improved understanding of mental disorder.</i>
disrupt	Interrupt (an event, activity, or process) by causing a disturbance or problem. <i>Flooding disrupted rail services.</i>
disruption	An act of delaying or interrupting the continuity. <i>There had been no delays or disruptions to flights.</i>
flutter	An act of fluttering. <i>Her insides were in a flutter.</i>
hubbub	A chaotic din caused by a crowd of people. <i>She fought through the hubbub.</i>
interfere	Cause interference to a broadcast radio signal. <i>You promised not to interfere.</i>
interference	Blocking a player's path with your body. <i>Concerns about government interference in church life.</i>

<u>intervention</u>	Action taken to improve a medical disorder. <i>Repeated interventions by central banks.</i>
<u>mayhem</u>	The crime of maliciously injuring or maiming someone, originally so as to render them defenceless. <i>Complete mayhem broke out.</i>
midst	The middle part or point. <i>He left his flat in the midst of a rainstorm.</i>
pandemonium	Wild and noisy disorder or confusion; uproar. <i>There was complete pandemonium everyone just panicked.</i>
perturbation	An unhappy and worried mental state. <i>She sensed her friend s perturbation.</i>
racket	A snowshoe resembling a racket. <i>A squash racket.</i>
remonstrate	Make a forcefully reproachful protest. <i>You don t mean that she remonstrated.</i>
<u>riot</u>	Take part in a riot disturb the public peace by engaging in a riot. <i>The film s sex scenes caused a riot in Cannes.</i>
shakeup	The imposition of a new organization; organizing differently (often involving extensive and drastic changes). <i>Top officials were forced out in the cabinet shakeup.</i>
tumult	Violent agitation. <i>The whole neighbourhood was in a state of fear and tumult.</i>
<u>turbulence</u>	A state of conflict or confusion. <i>The plane shuddered as it entered some turbulence.</i>
<u>turmoil</u>	A state of great disturbance, confusion, or uncertainty. <i>The country was in turmoil.</i>
<u>upheaval</u>	A rise of land to a higher elevation (as in the process of mountain building). <i>Major upheavals in the financial markets.</i>
<u>uproar</u>	A state of commotion and noise and confusion. <i>The assembly dissolved in uproar.</i>

