

Need another word that means the same as “drastic”? Find 8 synonyms and 30 related words for “drastic” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Drastic” are: extreme, serious, forceful, desperate, dire, radical, momentous, substantial**

## Drastic as an Adjective

### Definitions of "Drastic" as an adjective

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

- *Likely to have a strong or far-reaching effect; radical and extreme.*
- *Forceful and extreme and rigorous.*



## Synonyms of "Drastic" as an adjective (8 Words)

<b><u>desperate</u></b>	Desperately determined. <i>There is a <b>desperate</b> shortage of teachers.</i>
<b><u>dire</u></b>	Fraught with extreme danger; nearly hopeless. <i>A career or vengeance so <b>direful</b> that London was shocked.</i>
<b>extreme</b>	(of a person or their opinions) far from moderate, especially politically. <i><b>Extreme</b> opinions.</i>
<b>forceful</b>	Forceful and definite in expression or action. <i><b>Forceful</b> measures.</i>
<b>momentous</b>	Of great importance or significance, especially in having a bearing on future events. <i>A <b>momentous</b> decision.</i>
<b><u>radical</u></b>	Markedly new or introducing radical change. <i>A <b>radical</b> American activist.</i>

<b>serious</b>	Completely lacking in playfulness. A <b>serious</b> wound.
<b><u>substantial</u></b>	Of or relating to the real nature or essential elements of something. There was <b>substantial</b> agreement on changing policies.

## Usage Examples of "Drastic" as an adjective

- *Drastic measures.*
- *A drastic reduction of staffing levels.*

## Associations of "Drastic" (30 Words)

<b><u>activist</u></b>	A militant reformer. <b>Activist</b> groups around the world are organizing solidarity events.
<b>aggressive</b>	Ready or likely to attack or confront; characterized by or resulting from aggression. An <b>aggressive</b> businessman.
<b>aggressively</b>	In a determined and forceful way. Foreign owned banks are <b>aggressively</b> marketing credit cards.
<b>barbaric</b>	Savagely cruel. <b>Barbaric</b> use of color or ornament.
<b><u>basic</u></b>	Serving as a base or starting point. A set of <b>basic</b> tools.
<b>bellicose</b>	Having or showing a ready disposition to fight. A mood of <b>bellicose</b> jingoism.
<b><u>confrontational</u></b>	Of or relating to confrontation. He distanced himself from the <b>confrontational</b> approach adopted by his predecessor.
<b><u>crusader</u></b>	A fighter in the medieval Crusades. <b>Crusaders</b> for early detection and treatment of mental illnesses.
<b><u>desperate</u></b>	Desperately determined. There is a <b>desperate</b> shortage of teachers.
<b>drastically</b>	In a way that is likely to have a strong or far-reaching effect. Now her fortunes have changed <b>drastically</b> .
<b>extreme</b>	The highest or most extreme degree of something. <b>Extreme</b> caution.

<b><u>extremist</u></b>	A person who holds extreme political or religious views, especially one who advocates illegal, violent, or other extreme action. <i><b>Extremist</b> groups.</i>
<b>feminism</b>	The movement aimed at equal rights for women.
<b>forceful</b>	Forceful and definite in expression or action. <i>A <b>forceful</b> plan for peace.</i>
<b>fundamental</b>	A fundamental note tone or frequency. <i>Two courses cover the <b>fundamentals</b> of microbiology.</i>
<b>furious</b>	Extremely angry. <i>A <b>furious</b> scowl.</i>
<b><u>menacing</u></b>	Threatening or foreshadowing evil or tragic developments. <i>His tone became <b>menacing</b>.</i>
<b><u>militant</u></b>	A militant person. <i><b>Militant</b> in fighting for better wages for workers.</i>
<b>movement</b>	A campaign undertaken by a political social or artistic movement. <i>Your <b>movements</b> and telephone conversations are recorded.</i>
<b>polemic</b>	A writer who argues in opposition to others (especially in theology). <i>A writer of feminist <b>polemic</b>.</i>
<b><u>radical</u></b>	A radical sign. <i>A <b>radical</b> flaw in the plan.</i>
<b>radically</b>	In a radical manner. <i>The two situations are <b>radically</b> different.</i>
<b>reformer</b>	A disputant who advocates reform. <i>A catalytic <b>reformer</b>.</i>
<b>reformist</b>	A person who advocates gradual reform rather than abolition or revolution. <i>The <b>reformist</b> policies of the government.</i>
<b><u>revolutionary</u></b>	Involving or causing a complete or dramatic change. <i>The <b>revolutionary</b> army.</i>
<b>scrappy</b>	Consisting of disorganized, untidy, or incomplete parts. <i>He had a <b>scrappy</b> New York temperament.</i>
<b><u>truculent</u></b>	Eager or quick to argue or fight; aggressively defiant. <i>The <b>truculent</b> attitude of farmers to cheaper imports.</i>
<b><u>vehement</u></b>	Marked by extreme intensity of emotions or convictions; inclined to react violently; fervid. <i>A <b>vehement</b> defense.</i>

**vengeful**

Seeking to harm someone in return for a perceived injury.

A **vengeful** *ex con*.

**violent**

Marked by extreme intensity of emotions or convictions inclined to react violently fervid.

A **violent** *attack*.