

Need another word that means the same as “earthquake”? Find 22 synonyms and 30 related words for “earthquake” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Earthquake” are: quake, seism, temblor, earth tremor, tremor, convulsion, shock, foreshock, aftershock, upheaval, eruption, turmoil, turbulence, disruption, agitation, disturbance, unrest, disorder, furore, upset, tumult, chaos**

## Earthquake as a Noun

### Definitions of "Earthquake" as a noun

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

- *A sudden violent shaking of the ground, typically causing great destruction, as a result of movements within the earth's crust or volcanic action.*
- *Shaking and vibration at the surface of the earth resulting from underground movement along a fault plane or from volcanic activity.*
- *A great upheaval.*
- *A disturbance that is extremely disruptive.*
- *Shaking and vibration at the surface of the earth resulting from underground movement along a fault plane or from volcanic activity.*



## Synonyms of "Earthquake" as a noun (22 Words)

- aftershock** A tremor (or one of a series of tremors) occurring after the main shock of an earthquake.
- agitation** A state of agitation or turbulent change or development.  
*Widespread **agitation** for social reform.*
- chaos** Complete disorder and confusion.  
*Snow caused **chaos** in the region.*
- convulsion** A violent social or political upheaval.  
*The **convulsions** of 1939 45.*
- disorder** A state of confusion.  
*Recurrent food crises led to outbreaks of **disorder**.*
- disruption** The act of causing disorder.  
*No industry is immune to digital **disruption**.*
- disturbance** Electrical or acoustic activity that can disturb communication.  
*The **disturbances** were precipitated when four men were refused bail.*

<b>earth tremor</b>	The 3rd planet from the sun; the planet we live on.
<b>eruption</b>	A sudden very loud noise. <i>Irritable skin <b>eruptions</b>.</i>
<b>foreshock</b>	A mild tremor preceding the violent shaking movement of an earthquake. <i>A <b>foreshock</b> had been reported before the 1966 earthquake.</i>
<b>furor</b>	A sudden outburst (as of protest). <i>It was little thought that they would excite such a <b>furor</b> among stamp collectors.</i>
<b>quake</b>	An earthquake. <i>A big <b>quake</b> east of the Rocky Mountains.</i>
<b>seism</b>	Shaking and vibration at the surface of the earth resulting from underground movement along a fault plane or from volcanic activity.
<b>shock</b>	An unpleasant or disappointing surprise. <i>The home made lighting gave my father a <b>shock</b> when he touched the aquarium.</i>
<b>temblor</b>	Shaking and vibration at the surface of the earth resulting from underground movement along a fault plane or from volcanic activity.
<b>tremor</b>	A small earthquake. <i>A <b>tremor</b> of unease.</i>
<b>tumult</b>	A loud, confused noise, especially one caused by a large mass of people. <i>A <b>tumult</b> of shouting and screaming broke out.</i>
<b><u>turbulence</u></b>	Unstable flow of a liquid or gas. <i>The industrial revolution was a period of great <b>turbulence</b>.</i>
<b><u>turmoil</u></b>	A state of great disturbance, confusion, or uncertainty. <i>The country was in <b>turmoil</b>.</i>
<b><u>unrest</u></b>	A state of agitation or turbulent change or development. <i>Years of industrial <b>unrest</b>.</i>
<b><u>upheaval</u></b>	A rise of land to a higher elevation (as in the process of mountain building). <i>Times of political <b>upheaval</b>.</i>
<b>upset</b>	The act of upsetting something. <i>The biggest <b>upset</b> since David beat Goliath.</i>



## Usage Examples of "Earthquake" as a noun

- *A political earthquake.*
- *Selling the company caused an earthquake among the employees.*



## Associations of "Earthquake" (30 Words)

- aftermath** New grass growing after mowing or harvest.  
*Food prices soared in the **aftermath** of the drought.*
- aftershock** A smaller earthquake following the main shock of a large earthquake.
- avalanche** Engulf or carry off by an avalanche.  
*We have had an **avalanche** of applications for the post.*
- catastrophe** A state of extreme (usually irremediable) ruin and misfortune.  
*An environmental **catastrophe**.*
- devastating** Physically or spiritually devastating often used in combination.  
*A **devastating** portrait of human folly.*
- disaster** A person or thing that is a complete failure.  
*159 people died in the **disaster**.*
- epicenter** The point on the Earth's surface directly above the focus of an earthquake.

<b>flicker</b>	(of light or a source of light) shine unsteadily; vary rapidly in brightness. <i>The interior lights <b>flickered</b> and came on.</i>
<b>flutter</b>	An act of fluttering. <i>A couple of butterflies <b>fluttered</b> around the garden.</i>
<b>geologic</b>	Of or relating to or based on geology. <b>Geologic</b> forces.
<b>landslide</b>	An overwhelming electoral victory. <i>The road was blocked by a <b>landslide</b>.</i>
<b>palpitate</b>	(of the heart) beat rapidly, strongly, or irregularly. <i>His nostrils <b>palpitated</b>.</i>
<b>pulsate</b>	Expand and contract with strong regular movements. <i>Blood vessels throb and <b>pulsate</b>.</i>
<b>quake</b>	An earthquake. <i>A big <b>quake</b> east of the Rocky Mountains.</i>
<b>quiver</b>	A slight trembling movement or sound, especially one caused by a sudden strong emotion. <i>The tree's branches stopped <b>quivering</b>.</i>
<b>seismic</b>	Subject to or caused by an earthquake or earth vibration. <i>After a few days of <b>seismic</b> activity the volcanic eruption started.</i>
<b>seismograph</b>	An instrument that measures and records details of earthquakes, such as force and duration.
<b>seismology</b>	The branch of geology that studies earthquakes.
<b>shake</b>	A milkshake. <i>Don't miss the homemade cookies and <b>shakes</b>.</i>
<b>shaking</b>	The act of causing something to move up and down (or back and forth) with quick movements. <i>The <b>shaking</b> of his fingers as he lit his pipe.</i>
<b>shiver</b>	Shake slightly and uncontrollably as a result of being cold, frightened, or excited. <i>She gave a little <b>shiver</b> as the wind flicked at her bare arms.</i>
<b>shudder</b>	An act of shuddering. <i>I <b>shuddered</b> with horror.</i>
<b>tremble</b>	A trembling feeling, movement, or sound. <i>There was a slight <b>tremble</b> in his voice.</i>
<b>tremor</b>	Undergo a tremor or tremors. <i>A <b>tremor</b> of unease.</i>

<b>tremulous</b>	Quivering as from weakness or fear. <i>Barbara's voice was <b>tremulous</b>.</i>
<b><u>tsunami</u></b>	A long, high sea wave caused by an earthquake or other disturbance. <i>A colossal <b>tsunami</b> destroyed the Minoan civilization in minutes.</i>
<b><u>vibrate</u></b>	Move continuously and rapidly to and fro. <i>The cabin started to <b>vibrate</b>.</i>
<b><u>vibration</u></b>	(physics) a regular periodic variation in value about a mean. <i>The big capacity engine generated less <b>vibration</b>.</i>
<b>volcanic</b>	Explosively unstable. <i>Thick deposits of black <b>volcanic</b> ash.</i>
<b>wobble</b>	Waver between different courses of action; vacillate. <i>The handlebars developed a <b>wobble</b>.</i>

