

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.*

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

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

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

