

Need another word that means the same as “elementary”? Find 17 synonyms and 30 related words for “elementary” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Elementary” are: basal, elemental, primary, simple, uncomplicated, unproblematic, basic, rudimentary, fundamental, easy, straightforward, undemanding, unexacting, effortless, painless, uninvolved, plain sailing**

## Elementary as an Adjective

### Definitions of "Elementary" as an adjective

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

- *Straightforward and uncomplicated.*
- *Easy and not involved or complicated.*
- *Not able to be decomposed into elements or other primary constituents.*
- *Of or being the essential or basic part.*
- *Relating to the basic elements of a subject.*
- *Of or pertaining to or characteristic of elementary school or elementary education.*
- *Of the most basic kind.*



## Synonyms of "Elementary" as an adjective (17 Words)

### basal

Especially of leaves; located at the base of a plant or stem; especially arising directly from the root or rootstock or a root-like stem.

***Basal** placentation.*

### basic

Relating to or denoting steel-making processes involving lime-rich refractories and slags.

*The laying down of arms is **basic** to the agreement.*

### easy

(of an object of attack or criticism) having no defence; vulnerable.

*An **easy** problem.*

### effortless

Requiring no physical or mental exertion.

*Each skill is practised to the point that it becomes **effortless**.*

### elemental

Of or being the essential or basic part.

*Failure is always apparent at this **elemental** level.*

### fundamental

Being or involving basic facts or principles.

*The book underwent **fundamental** changes.*

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| <b>painless</b>               | Not causing physical or psychological pain.<br><i><b>Painless</b> dentistry.</i>   |
| <b>plain sailing</b>          | Not elaborate or elaborated; simple.   |
| <b><u>primary</u></b>         | Of primary importance.<br><i>The <b>primary</b> stage of their political education.</i>  |
| <b><u>rudimentary</u></b>     | Not fully developed in mature animals.<br><i><b>Rudimentary</b> plans.</i>   |
| <b>simple</b>                 | Plain, basic, or uncomplicated in form, nature, or design; without much decoration or ornamentation.<br><i>A <b>simple</b> game.</i>             |
| <b><u>straightforward</u></b> | Uncomplicated and easy to do or understand.<br><i><b>Straightforward</b> in all his business affairs.</i>  |
| <b>uncomplicated</b>          | Easy and not involved or complicated.<br><i>Small and <b>uncomplicated</b> cars for those really interested in motoring.</i>                     |
| <b>undemanding</b>            | (especially of a task) not demanding.<br><i>The pay was adequate and the job <b>undemanding</b>.</i>   |
| <b>unexacting</b>             | Not rigorous.<br><i>Relaxed and <b>unexacting</b> standards.</i>   |
| <b><u>uninvolved</u></b>      | Not connected or concerned with someone or something, especially on an emotional level.<br><i>Being <b>uninvolved</b> he remained objective.</i> |
| <b><u>unproblematic</u></b>   | Easy and not involved or complicated.<br><i>None of these approaches is <b>unproblematic</b>.</i>  |



## Usage Examples of "Elementary" as an adjective

- *An elementary astronomy course.*
- *An elementary need for love and nurturing.*
- *An elementary problem in statistics.*
- *A series of elementary exercises.*
- *The six stages take students from elementary to advanced level.*
- *Elementary, my dear Watson.*
- *The elementary rights of citizenship.*





## Associations of "Elementary" (30 Words)

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| <b>basal</b>         | Of primary importance.<br>A <b>basal</b> reader.  |
| <b>basic</b>         | Of or denoting or of the nature of or containing a base.<br><i>The food was good if a bit <b>basic</b>.</i>   |
| <b>beginning</b>     | The act of starting something.<br><i>The ending of one relationship and the <b>beginning</b> of another.</i>  |
| <b>commencement</b>  | The time at which something is supposed to begin.<br>A <b>commencement</b> address.   |
| <b>early</b>         | Early shifts.<br><i>We lost a couple of games <b>early</b> in the season.</i>   |
| <b>elemental</b>     | Concerned with chemical elements or other basic components.<br><b>Elemental</b> sulphur.  |
| <b>elements</b>      | Violent or severe weather viewed as caused by the action of the four elements.<br><i>They felt the full fury of the <b>elements</b>.</i>                                    |
| <b>embryonic</b>     | (of a system, idea, or organization) in a rudimentary stage with potential for development.<br><i>The <b>embryonic</b> government staffed by survivors of the massacre.</i> |
| <b>emergent</b>      | An emergent tree or other plant.<br>An <b>emergent</b> republic.  |
| <b>emerging</b>      | Coming into existence.<br><i>Established and <b>emerging</b> artists.</i>   |
| <b>essential</b>     | Anything indispensable.<br><i>The <b>essential</b> feature.</i>   |
| <b>essentially</b>   | In essence; at bottom or by one's (or its) very nature.<br><i>The argument was <b>essentially</b> a technical one.</i>  |
| <b>essentialness</b> | Basic importance.   |
| <b>fundamental</b>   | A fundamental note tone or frequency.<br><i>An example that was <b>fundamental</b> to the argument.</i>   |
| <b>inchoate</b>      | Just begun and so not fully formed or developed; rudimentary.<br><i>A still <b>inchoate</b> democracy.</i>  |
| <b>inchoative</b>    | An inchoative verb.<br><b>Inchoative</b> stages.  |
| <b>leading</b>       | Having the leading position or higher score in a contest.<br><i>The country's <b>leading</b> poet.</i>  |

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| <u>main</u>        | Most important element.<br><i>The <b>main</b> problem is one of resources.</i>   |
| <u>nascent</u>     | Being born or beginning.<br><i>A <b>nascent</b> insurgency.</i>  |
| <u>originally</u>  | From or in the beginning; at first.<br><i>Potatoes <b>originally</b> came from South America.</i>  |
| <u>primal</u>      | Relating to or denoting the needs, fears, or behaviour that are postulated (especially in Freudian theory) to form the origins of emotional life.<br><i><b>Primal</b> eras before the appearance of life on earth.</i> |
| <u>primary</u>     | A primary colour.<br><i>The government's <b>primary</b> aim is to see significant reductions in unemployment.</i>  |
| <u>prime</u>       | Insert a primer into a gun mine or charge preparatory to detonation or firing.<br><i>The <b>prime</b> minister.</i>  |
| <u>principal</u>   | An actor who plays a principal role.<br><i>The <b>principal</b> example.</i>   |
| <u>radically</u>   | In a radical manner.<br><i>You must <b>radically</b> change the way you do business.</i>   |
| <u>rudiment</u>    | An undeveloped or immature part or organ, especially a structure in an embryo or larva which will develop into an organ, limb, etc.<br><i>The <b>rudiments</b> of a hot water system.</i>                              |
| <u>rudimentary</u> | Relating to an immature, undeveloped, or basic form.<br><i>A <b>rudimentary</b> stage of evolution.</i>  |
| <u>staple</u>      | Secure or fasten with a staple or staples.<br><i>Wheat is a <b>staple</b> crop.</i>  |
| <u>tack</u>        | A distance sailed between tacks.<br><i>The boat <b>tacked</b>.</i>   |
| <u>underlying</u>  | In the nature of something though not readily apparent.<br><i><b>Underlying</b> principles.</i>  |



