

Need another word that means the same as "evasive"? Find 11 synonyms and 30 related words for "evasive" in this overview.

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The synonyms of "Evasive" are: elusive, ambiguous, equivocal, indefinite, non-committal, vague, indeterminate, imprecise, inexact, indistinct, inexplicit

## **Evasive as an Adjective**

#### Definitions of "Evasive" as an adjective

According to the Oxford Dictionary of English, "evasive" as an adjective can have the following definitions:

- Directed towards avoidance or escape.
- Avoiding or escaping from difficulty or danger especially enemy fire.
- Deliberately vague or ambiguous.
- Tending to avoid commitment or self-revelation, especially by responding only indirectly.





## Synonyms of "Evasive" as an adjective (11 Words)

**ambiguous** Open to more than one interpretation; not having one obvious meaning. *An ambiguous* situation with no frame of reference.



elusive Difficult to describe.

A cabal of conspirators each more **elusive** than the archterrorist.

equivocal Open to more than one interpretation; ambiguous.

The results of the investigation were **equivocal**.

imprecise Lacking exactness and accuracy of expression or detail.

The witness could give only vague and **imprecise** descriptions.

indefinite Not clearly expressed or defined; vague.

Were **indefinite** about their plans.

(of a quantity) having no definite value, as an equation that cannot be

indeterminate solved.

An **indeterminate** stem.

indistinct Not clear or sharply defined.

His speech was slurred and indistinct.

Not exact.

inexact An inexact description.

Implied though not directly expressed; inherent in the nature of

**inexplicit** something.

**Inexplicit** declarations.

non-committal Refusing to bind oneself to a particular course of action or view or the

like.

Not precisely limited, determined, or distinguished.

Saw a **vague** outline of a building through the fog.





# Usage Examples of "Evasive" as an adjective

- They decided to take evasive action.
- She was evasive about her phone number.
- His answers were brief, constrained and evasive.
- An evasive statement.
- Pilots are taught to take evasive action.





# Associations of "Evasive" (30 Words)

Unclearness by virtue of having more than one meaning.

We can detect no ambiguity in this section of the Act.

Having more than one possible meaning.

**ambiguous** The polling had a complex and equivocal or **ambiguous** message for

potential female candidates.

**ambiguously** So as to be open to doubt or uncertainty. The new clause is **ambiguously** worded.

Having mixed feelings or contradictory ideas about something or

**ambivalent** someone.

Was ambivalent about having children.

Make unclear indistinct or blurred.

blur

The words were a blur.



blurred Unclear in form or expression.

The **blurred** distinctions between childhood and adulthood.

**blurry** Perceived or remembered indistinctly.

There s a very **blurry** line between art and advertising.

**doubtful** Fraught with uncertainty or doubt.

It was **doubtful** whether she would be admitted.

Open to question-Anna Jameson.

**equivocal** His conscience reproached him with the **equivocal** character of the

union into which he had forced his son.

Be deliberately ambiguous or unclear in order to mislead or withhold

**equivocate** information.

The government have **equivocate**d too often in the past.

(of a hope or chance) possible but unlikely; slight.

faint Only a **faint** recollection.

**illegibility** The quality of writing (print or handwriting) that cannot be deciphered.

**imprecision** Lack of exactness or accuracy.

All scientific measurements come with some degree of **imprecision**.

inconclusive Not leading to a firm conclusion or result; not ending doubt or dispute.

**Inconclusive** evidence.

indeterminate Not capable of being determined.

The influence of environment is **indeterminate**.

indistinct Not clear or sharply defined.

**Indistinct** shapes in the gloom.

lightproof

Not penetrable by light.

A **lightproof** envelope.

A recurring sound heard in the heart through a stethoscope that is

**murmur** usually a sign of disease or damage.

She had been born with a heart murmur.

nebulous Lacking definite form or limits- H.T.Moore.

**Nebulous** distinction between pride and conceit.

Refusing to bind oneself to a particular course of action or view or the

noncommittal like.

Her boyfriend was **noncommittal** about their future together.

**opaqueness** Incomprehensibility resulting from obscurity of meaning.

Trifle with.

**palter** If you **palter** or double in your answers I will have thee hung alive in an

iron chain.



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**prevaricate** information.

He seemed to **prevaricate** when journalists asked pointed questions.

Mark notes with a slur.

Slur

His speech was beginning to slur.

The quality of being difficult to detect or analyze.

The textural **subtlety** of Degas.

uncertain (of a person) not completely confident or sure of something.

A manuscript of **uncertain** origin.

unclear Not obvious or definite; ambiguous.

Their future remains **unclear**.

Not different or differentiated.

**undifferentiated** By six weeks the sexual glands are as yet **undifferentiated** between

male and female.

Not clearly expressed or understood.

He had been very **vague** about his activities.

vaguely In a vague way.

He nodded **vaguely**.



