

Need another word that means the same as “fatal”? Find 20 synonyms and 30 related words for “fatal” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Fatal” are: black, calamitous, disastrous, fateful, deadly, lethal, mortal, killing, devastating, ruinous, catastrophic, cataclysmic, destructive, grievous, dire, crippling, crushing, injurious, harmful, costly

Fatal as an Adjective

Definitions of "Fatal" as an adjective

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

- *Having extremely unfortunate or dire consequences; bringing ruin.*
- *Leading to failure or disaster.*
- *Having momentous consequences; of decisive importance- Saturday Rev.*
- *(of events) having extremely unfortunate or dire consequences; bringing ruin.*
- *Controlled or decreed by fate; predetermined.*
- *Bringing death.*
- *Causing death.*
- *Having momentous consequences; of decisive importance.*



Synonyms of "Fatal" as an adjective (20 Words)

black	Made black especially as with suffused blood. <i>Through the pitch black woods.</i>
calamitous	Having extremely unfortunate or dire consequences; bringing ruin. <i>A calamitous defeat.</i>
cataclysmic	Used to emphasize the extent of something bad or unwelcome. <i>A cataclysmic earthquake.</i>
<u>catastrophic</u>	Involving or causing sudden great damage or suffering. <i>Catastrophic illness.</i>
<u>costly</u>	Having a high price. <i>The government's biggest and most costly mistake.</i>
crippling	That cripples or disables or incapacitates. <i>Interest rates rose to a crippling 13 per cent.</i>
crushing	Causing overwhelming disappointment or embarrassment. <i>The news came as a crushing blow.</i>

deadly	Exceedingly harmful. <i>A deadly weapon.</i>
<u>destructive</u>	Causing destruction or much damage. <i>The destructive power of weapons.</i>
<u>devastating</u>	Physically or spiritually devastating often used in combination. <i>A devastating cyclone.</i>
<u>dire</u>	Causing fear or dread or terror. <i>Misuse of drugs can have dire consequences.</i>
<u>disastrous</u>	Having extremely unfortunate or dire consequences; bringing ruin. <i>United made a disastrous start to the season.</i>
fateful	Having momentous consequences; of decisive importance. <i>A fateful error.</i>
grievous	(of something bad) very severe or serious. <i>A grievous loss.</i>
<u>harmful</u>	Causing or likely to cause harm. <i>Too much sun is harmful to the skin.</i>
injurious	Harmful to living things. <i>Food which is injurious to health.</i>
killing	Very funny. <i>A killing disease.</i>
<u>lethal</u>	Very harmful or destructive. <i>A lethal injection.</i>
mortal	Unrelenting and deadly. <i>A mortal foe.</i>
ruinous	Extremely harmful; bringing physical or financial ruin. <i>A ruinous war.</i>



Usage Examples of "Fatal" as an adjective

- *Such doctrines, if true, would be absolutely fatal to my theory.*
- *A fatal series of events.*
- *A fatal accident.*
- *The fatal day of the election finally arrived.*
- *There were three fatal flaws in the strategy.*
- *It is fatal to enter any war without the will to win it.*



Associations of "Fatal" (30 Words)

antidote	A medicine taken or given to counteract a particular poison. <i>There is no known antidote to the poison of the pufferfish.</i>
calamitous	Having extremely unfortunate or dire consequences; bringing ruin. <i>A calamitous defeat.</i>
<u>catastrophic</u>	Extremely harmful; bringing physical or financial ruin. <i>A catastrophic depression.</i>
crushing	Physically or spiritually devastating; often used in combination. <i>The news came as a crushing blow.</i>
damaging	Causing physical damage. <i>New cars are less damaging to the environment.</i>
deadly	As if dead. <i>Her skin was deadly pale.</i>

<u>destructive</u>	Causing great and irreparable damage. <i>A policy that is destructive to the economy.</i>
<u>detrimental</u>	Tending to cause harm. <i>Recent policies have been detrimental to the interests of many old people.</i>
<u>devastating</u>	Physically or spiritually devastating often used in combination. <i>A devastating cyclone.</i>
<u>disastrous</u>	Having extremely unfortunate or dire consequences; bringing ruin. <i>United made a disastrous start to the season.</i>
exotoxin	A toxin released by a living bacterial cell into its surroundings.
<u>harm</u>	Cause or do harm to. <i>I can't see any harm in it.</i>
<u>harmful</u>	Causing or capable of causing harm. <i>Sugars which can be harmful to the teeth.</i>
injurious	Harmful to living things. <i>Food which is injurious to health.</i>
<u>lethal</u>	(in a sporting context) very accurate or skilful. <i>Lethal weapon.</i>
mortal	Denoting a grave sin that is regarded as depriving the soul of divine grace. <i>Capacities only possible of God rather than mortals.</i>
noxious	Injurious to physical or mental health. <i>They were overcome by the noxious fumes.</i>
<u>pernicious</u>	Exceedingly harmful. <i>The pernicious influences of the mass media.</i>
poison	Add poison to. <i>Someone had tried to poison me.</i>
poisoning	The act of giving poison to a person or animal with the intent to kill. <i>Symptoms of poisoning may include nausea diarrhoea and vomiting.</i>
poisonous	(of a substance or plant) causing or capable of causing death or illness if taken into the body. <i>Poisonous hate.</i>
pollutant	A substance that pollutes something, especially water or the atmosphere. <i>Chemical pollutants.</i>
prejudicial	Causing harm or injury. <i>The presence of discriminatory or prejudicial attitudes in the white population.</i>
ruinous	Disastrous or destructive. <i>A ruinous war.</i>

<u>toxic</u>	Denoting securities that are based on toxic debt and for which there is not a healthy or functioning market. <i>Suffering from exposure to toxic substances.</i>
<u>toxicity</u>	The quality of being toxic or poisonous. <i>That was how I protected my partner from my family's toxicity.</i>
toxin	A poisonous substance produced during the metabolism and growth of certain microorganisms and some higher plant and animal species.
<u>tragic</u>	A boring or socially inept person, typically having an obsessive and solitary interest. <i>A tragic accident.</i>
venom	Extreme malice and bitterness shown in someone's attitudes, speech, or actions. <i>Her true venom seems reserved for the media itself.</i>
virulent	Bitterly hostile. <i>Staphylococcus aureus is a common organism whose virulent strains are causing problems.</i>

