

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

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

<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>

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

