

Need another word that means the same as “flighty”? Find 19 synonyms and 30 related words for “flighty” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Flighty” are: nervous, skittish, spooky, flyaway, head-in-the-clouds, scatterbrained, fickle, erratic, changeable, inconstant, irresolute, mercurial, whimsical, capricious, volatile, unsteady, unstable, unbalanced, impulsive**

## **Flighty as an Adjective**

### **Definitions of "Flighty" as an adjective**

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

- *Unpredictably excitable (especially of horses).*
- *Guided by whim and fancy.*
- *Fickle and irresponsible.*



## Synonyms of "Flighty" as an adjective (19 Words)

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| <a href="#">capricious</a> | Given to sudden and unaccountable changes of mood or behaviour.<br><i>A <b>capricious</b> summer breeze.</i>                                                    |
| <b>changeable</b>          | Varying in color when seen in different lights or from different angles.<br><i><b>Changeable</b> moods.</i>                                                     |
| <a href="#">erratic</a>    | Liable to sudden unpredictable change.<br><i>An <b>erratic</b> comet.</i>                                                                                       |
| <b>fickle</b>              | Changing frequently, especially as regards one's loyalties or affections.<br><i><b>Fickle</b> weather.</i>                                                      |
| <b>flyaway</b>             | (of hair or clothing) worn loose.<br><i>A <b>flyaway</b> coat.</i>                                                                                              |
| <b>head-in-the-clouds</b>  | Guided by whim and fancy.                                                                                                                                       |
| <b>impulsive</b>           | Characterized by undue haste and lack of thought or deliberation; ('brainish' is archaic).<br><i>Liable to such <b>impulsive</b> acts as hugging strangers.</i> |
| <b>inconstant</b>          | Frequently changing; variable or irregular.<br><i>Swear not by the <b>inconstant</b> moon.</i>                                                                  |
| <b>irresolute</b>          | Showing or feeling hesitancy; uncertain.<br><i>She stood <b>irresolute</b> outside his door.</i>                                                                |
| <a href="#">mercurial</a>  | Of the planet Mercury.<br><i>Gels containing organic <b>mercurial</b> compounds.</i>                                                                            |
| <a href="#">nervous</a>    | Of or relating to the nervous system.<br><i>A sensitive <b>nervous</b> person.</i>                                                                              |
| <b>scatterbrained</b>      | Lacking sense or discretion- Glenway Westcott.<br><i>A <b>scatterbrained</b> blonde.</i>                                                                        |
| <a href="#">skittish</a>   | (of an animal, especially a horse) nervous or excitable; easily scared.<br><i>A <b>skittish</b> chestnut mare.</i>                                              |
| <a href="#">spooky</a>     | Sinister or ghostly in a way that causes fear and unease.<br><i>I bet this place is really <b>spooky</b> late at night.</i>                                     |
| <b>unbalanced</b>          | Affected with madness or insanity.<br><i>She considered him to be mentally <b>unbalanced</b> and dangerous.</i>                                                 |
| <a href="#">unstable</a>   | Lacking stability or fixity or firmness.<br><i>An <b>unstable</b> world economy.</i>                                                                            |
| <a href="#">unsteady</a>   | Subject to change or variation.<br><i>Nathan pushed the mug into her <b>unsteady</b> hand.</i>                                                                  |



**volatile**

Marked by erratic changeableness in affections or attachments.  
**Volatile** solvents.

**whimsical**

Playfully quaint or fanciful, especially in an appealing and amusing way.  
The **whimsical** arbitrariness of autocracy.



**Usage Examples of "Flighty" as an adjective**

- *Her mother was a flighty Southern belle.*
- *Flighty young girls.*

**Associations of "Flighty" (30 Words)**

**apprehensive**

Anxious or fearful that something bad or unpleasant will happen.  
**Apprehensive** of danger.

**aroused**

Aroused to action.  
The **aroused** opposition.

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| <b>constrained</b>       | Severely restricted in scope, extent, or activity.<br><i>A <b>constrained</b> smile.</i>                                           |
| <b>defuse</b>            | Remove the triggering device from.<br><i>A scheme that teaches officers how to <b>defuse</b> potentially explosive situations.</i> |
| <u><b>dejection</b></u>  | A state of melancholy depression.<br><i>He was slumped in deep <b>dejection</b>.</i>                                               |
| <b>excitability</b>      | Being easily excited.                                                                                                              |
| <u><b>excitable</b></u>  | Capable of responding to stimuli.<br><i>A rather <b>excitable</b> young man.</i>                                                   |
| <b>fitful</b>            | Occurring in spells and often abruptly.<br><i>Business was <b>fitful</b>.</i>                                                      |
| <b>fraught</b>           | Marked by distress.<br><i>A <b>fraught</b> mother daughter relationship.</i>                                                       |
| <u><b>fretful</b></u>    | Nervous and unable to relax.<br><i>The baby was crying with a <b>fretful</b> whimper.</i>                                          |
| <b>harried</b>           | Troubled persistently especially with petty annoyances.<br><i><b>Harried</b> detectives answer ringing phones.</i>                 |
| <u><b>insecurity</b></u> | Uncertainty or anxiety about oneself; lack of confidence.<br><i>She had a deep sense of <b>insecurity</b>.</i>                     |
| <b>jittery</b>           | Nervous or unable to relax.<br><i>Caffeine makes me <b>jittery</b>.</i>                                                            |
| <u><b>nervous</b></u>    | Of or relating to the nervous system.<br><i><b>Nervous</b> disease.</i>                                                            |
| <b>nervously</b>         | In an anxiously nervous manner.<br><i>I was blushing and smiling <b>nervously</b>.</i>                                             |
| <b>nervy</b>             | Characterized or produced by apprehension or uncertainty.<br><i>He was <b>nervy</b> and on edge.</i>                               |
| <b>peevish</b>           | Easily irritated or annoyed.<br><i>A thin <b>peevish</b> voice.</i>                                                                |
| <b>petulance</b>         | An irritable petulant feeling.<br><i>A slight degree of <b>petulance</b> had crept into his voice.</i>                             |
| <b>querulous</b>         | Habitually complaining.<br><i>She became <b>querulous</b> and demanding.</i>                                                       |
| <u><b>skittish</b></u>   | Unpredictably excitable (especially of horses).<br><i>A <b>skittish</b> chestnut mare.</i>                                         |

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| <b><u>sporadic</u></b>   | Recurring in scattered and irregular or unpredictable instances.<br><i><b>Sporadic</b> fighting broke out.</i>                       |
| <b><u>strained</u></b>   | Of a mainly liquid substance having been strained to separate out any solid matter.<br><i>A <b>strained</b> smile.</i>               |
| <b><u>stressed</u></b>   | Strengthened by the application of stress during manufacture prestressed.<br><i>Elision after a <b>stressed</b> syllable.</i>        |
| <b><u>tense</u></b>      | Become tense nervous or uneasy.<br><i><b>Tense</b> the rope manually before tensing the spring.</i>                                  |
| <b><u>troubled</u></b>   | Beset by problems or difficulties.<br><i>His <b>troubled</b> private life.</i>                                                       |
| <b><u>uneasy</u></b>     | Causing or feeling anxiety; troubled or uncomfortable.<br><i>She lived in a state of <b>uneasy</b> truce with her strict father.</i> |
| <b><u>uptight</u></b>    | Anxious or angry in a tense and overly controlled way.<br><i>He is so <b>uptight</b> about everything.</i>                           |
| <b><u>volatility</u></b> | Being easily excited.<br><i>The <b>volatility</b> of the market drove many investors away.</i>                                       |
| <b><u>worried</u></b>    | Afflicted with or marked by anxious uneasiness or trouble or grief.<br><i><b>Worried</b> parents.</i>                                |