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](https://www.oxforddictionaries.com/), “flighty” as an adjective can have the following definitions:

- *Unpredictably excitiable (especially of horses).*
- *Guided by whim and fancy.*
- *Fickle and irresponsible.*
Synonyms of "Flighty" as an adjective (19 Words)

- **capricious**: Given to sudden and unaccountable changes of mood or behaviour.  
  *A capricious summer breeze.*

- **changeable**: Varying in color when seen in different lights or from different angles.  
  *Changeable moods.*

- **erratic**: Liable to sudden unpredictable change.  
  *An erratic comet.*

- **fickle**: Changing frequently, especially as regards one’s loyalties or affections.  
  *Fickle weather.*

- **flyaway**: (of hair or clothing) worn loose.  
  *A flyaway coat.*

- **head-in-the-clouds**: Guided by whim and fancy.  

- **impulsive**: Characterized by undue haste and lack of thought or deliberation; (`brainish’ is archaic.  
  *Liable to such impulsive acts as hugging strangers.*

- **inconstant**: Frequently changing; variable or irregular.  
  *Swear not by the inconstant moon.*

- **irresolute**: Showing or feeling hesitancy; uncertain.  
  *She stood irresolute outside his door.*

- **mercurial**: Of the planet Mercury.  
  *Gels containing organic mercurial compounds.*

- **nervous**: Of or relating to the nervous system.  
  *A sensitive nervous person.*

- **scatterbrained**: Lacking sense or discretion- Glenway Westcott.  
  *A scatterbrained blonde.*

- **skittish**: (of an animal, especially a horse) nervous or excitable; easily scared.  
  *A skittish chestnut mare.*

- **spooky**: Sinister or ghostly in a way that causes fear and unease.  
  *I bet this place is really spooky late at night.*

- **unbalanced**: Affected with madness or insanity.  
  *She considered him to be mentally unbalanced and dangerous.*

- **unstable**: Lacking stability or fixity or firmness.  
  *An unstable world economy.*

- **unsteady**: Subject to change or variation.  
  *Nathan pushed the mug into her unsteady hand.*
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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<td>Severely restricted in scope, extent, or activity. <em>A constrained smile.</em></td>
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<td>defuse</td>
<td>Remove the triggering device from. <em>A scheme that teaches officers how to defuse potentially explosive situations.</em></td>
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<td>A state of melancholy depression. <em>He was slumped in deep dejection.</em></td>
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<td>Being easily excited.</td>
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<td>Capable of responding to stimuli. <em>A rather excitable young man.</em></td>
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<td>Nervous and unable to relax. <em>The baby was crying with a fretful whimper.</em></td>
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<td>Troubled persistently especially with petty annoyances. <em>Harried detectives answer ringing phones.</em></td>
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<td>Easily irritated or annoyed. <em>A thin peevish voice.</em></td>
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<td>An irritable petulant feeling. <em>A slight degree of petulance had crept into his voice.</em></td>
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<td>Habitually complaining. <em>She became querulous and demanding.</em></td>
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**sporadic**
Recurring in scattered and irregular or unpredictable instances.
*Sporadic fighting broke out.*

**strained**
Of a mainly liquid substance having been strained to separate out any solid matter.
*A strained smile.*

**stressed**
Strengthened by the application of stress during manufacture prestressed.
*Elision after a stressed syllable.*

**tense**
Become tense nervous or uneasy.
*Tense the rope manually before tensing the spring.*

**troubled**
Beset by problems or difficulties.
*His troubled private life.*

**uneasy**
Causing or feeling anxiety; troubled or uncomfortable.
*She lived in a state of uneasy truce with her strict father.*

**uptight**
Anxious or angry in a tense and overly controlled way.
*He is so uptight about everything.*

**volatility**
Being easily excited.
*The volatility of the market drove many investors away.*

**worried**
Afflicted with or marked by anxious uneasiness or trouble or grief.
*Worried parents.*