

Need another word that means the same as "formidable"? Find 45 synonyms and 30 related words for "formidable" in this overview.

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The synonyms of "Formidable" are: redoubtable, unnerving, intimidating, forbidding, daunting, alarming, frightening, terrifying, petrifying, horrifying, chilling, disturbing, disquieting, dreadful, brooding, awesome, fearsome, ominous, foreboding, sinister, menacing, threatening, dangerous, onerous, arduous, taxing, difficult, hard, heavy, laborious, burdensome, strenuous, vigorous, stiff, uphill, relentless, herculean, monumental, colossal, capable, able, proficient, adept, adroit, accomplished

Formidable as an Adjective

Definitions of "Formidable" as an adjective

According to the <u>Oxford Dictionary of English</u>, "formidable" as an adjective can have the following definitions:

- Inspiring fear or respect through being impressively large, powerful, intense, or capable.
- Inspiring fear.
- Inspiring fear- G.H.Johnston.
- Extremely impressive in strength or excellence.





Synonyms of "Formidable" as an adjective (45 Words)

<u>able</u>	Having considerable skill proficiency or intelligence. A cap able administrator.
accomplished	Highly skilled. That smoking causes health problems is an accomplished fact.
adept	Having or showing knowledge and skill and aptitude. She is adept at cutting through red tape.
adroit	Quick or skillful or adept in action or thought. His adroit replies to hecklers won him many followers.
<u>alarming</u>	Worrying or disturbing. <i>Our countryside is disappearing at an alarming rate.</i>
<u>arduous</u>	Taxing to the utmost; testing powers of endurance- F.D.Roosevelt. Your willingness after these six arduous days to remain here.
awesome	Extremely impressive or daunting; inspiring awe. <i>The band is truly awesome</i> .
<u>brooding</u>	Deeply or seriously thoughtful. <i>He stared with brooding eyes.</i>
burdensome	Undesirably restrictive. The burdensome responsibilities of professional life.

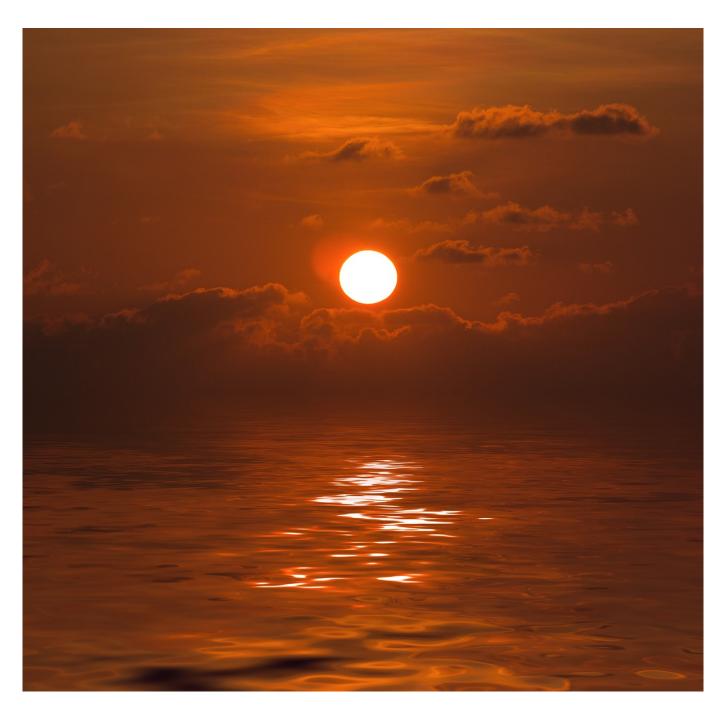


<u>capable</u>	Having the temperament or inclination for. I m quite capable of taking care of myself.
<u>chilling</u>	Provoking fear terror. A chilling account of the prisoners fate.
colossal	(of a statue) at least twice life size. <i>Has a colossal nerve.</i>
dangerous	Likely to cause problems or to have adverse consequences. <i>It is dangerous to convict on his evidence.</i>
<u>daunting</u>	Discouraging through fear. A daunting task.
difficult	Hard to control. A difficult child.
disquieting	Inducing feelings of anxiety or worry. <i>He found Jean s gaze disquieting.</i>
disturbing	Causing distress or worry or anxiety. A disturbing amount of crime.
<u>dreadful</u>	Used to emphasize the degree to which something is the case, especially something regarded with sadness or disapproval. <i>She looked quite</i> dreadful <i>and she was struggling for breath.</i>
fearsome	Frightening, especially in appearance. The cat mewed displaying a fearsome set of teeth.
forbidding	Harshly uninviting or formidable in manner or appearance- J.M.Barrie. <i>A grim and forbidding building.</i>
<u>foreboding</u>	Ominously prophetic. When the Doctor spoke his voice was dark and foreboding .
<u>frightening</u>	Making someone afraid or anxious; terrifying. A frightening experience.
hard	Unfortunate or hard to bear. A hard bargainer.
heavy	Large and powerful especially designed for heavy loads or rough work. A <i>heavy</i> heart.
herculean	Extremely difficult; requiring the strength of a Hercules. A herculean task.
<u>horrifying</u>	Provoking horror- Winston Churchill. An alarming even horrifying picture.
intimidating	Having a frightening, overawing, or threatening effect. Public speaking is an intimidating experience.



laborious	Requiring considerable time and effort. She wrote in laborious dictionary assisted English.
<u>menacing</u>	Threatening or foreshadowing evil or tragic developments. <i>His tone became menacing</i> .
monumental	Relating or belonging to or serving as a monument. Einstein s monumental contributions to physics.
ominous	Presaging ill fortune. There were ominous dark clouds gathering overhead.
onerous	(of a task or responsibility) involving a great deal of effort, trouble, or difficulty. My duties weren t onerous I only had to greet the guests.
petrifying	Paralyzing with terror.
proficient	Having or showing knowledge and skill and aptitude. A proficient engineer.
redoubtable	Inspiring fear- G.H.Johnston. <i>He was a redoubtable debater.</i>
<u>relentless</u>	Not to be placated or appeased or moved by entreaty. A patient but relentless taskmaster.
<u>sinister</u>	Threatening or foreshadowing evil or tragic developments. A sinister smile.
<u>stiff</u>	Rigidly formal. A stiff increase in taxes.
strenuous	Requiring or using great effort or exertion. A strenuous task.
taxing	Physically or mentally demanding. They find the work too taxing .
<u>terrifying</u>	Causing extreme fear. The terrifying events of the past few weeks.
threatening	Threatening or foreshadowing evil or tragic developments. She was a type he found threatening .
<u>unnerving</u>	Inspiring fear. Something unnerving and prisonlike about high grey wall.
uphill	Requiring great effort; difficult. The journey is slightly uphill .
<u>vigorous</u>	Characterized by or involving physical strength, effort, or energy. A vigorous foreign policy.



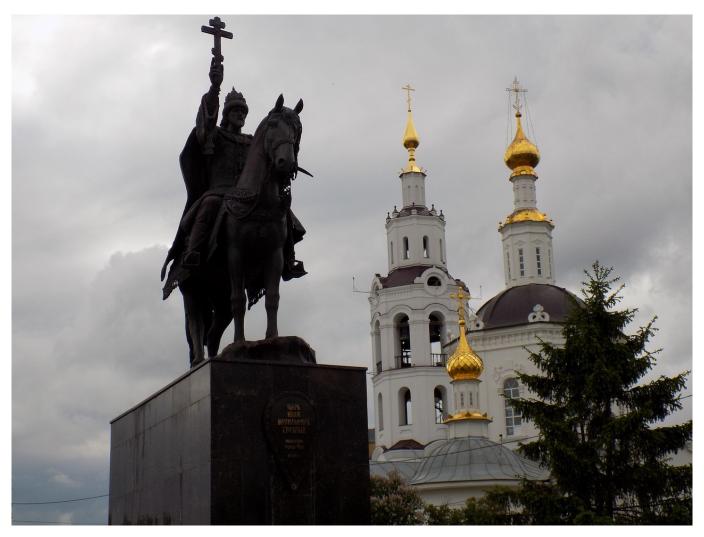


Usage Examples of "Formidable" as an adjective

- The formidable army of brains at the Prime Minister's disposal.
- Had a formidable array of compositions to his credit.
- The challenge was formidable.
- A formidable opponent.



• The formidable prospect of major surgery.



Associations of "Formidable" (30 Words)

abominable	Unequivocally detestable- Edmund Burke. <i>Abominable</i> workmanship.
<u>afraid</u>	Anxious about the well-being or safety of. I m afraid of dogs.
<u>alarming</u>	Frightening because of an awareness of danger. <i>Our countryside is disappearing at an alarming rate.</i>
appall	Strike with disgust or revulsion.
awful	Awfully very. An awful voice.



<u>chilling</u>	Provoking fear terror. A chilling account of the prisoners fate.
<u>dread</u>	Dreadlocks. He was stricken with the dread disease and died.
<u>dreadful</u>	Very unpleasant. I feel dreadful I hate myself.
fear	Avoid doing something because one is afraid. They hushed it up out of fear of public reaction.
fearful	Causing fear or dread or terror. A fearful glance.
fearfulness	The trait of being afraid.
fearsome	Frightening, especially in appearance. The cat mewed displaying a fearsome set of teeth.
fright	Frighten. I got the fright of my life seeing her in the hotel.
<u>frightening</u>	The act of inspiring with fear. A frightening experience.
frightful	Provoking horror. Her hair was a frightful mess.
<u>ghastly</u>	Shockingly repellent; inspiring horror. A ghastly pallor.
hideous	Grossly offensive to decency or morality; causing horror. <i>The whole hideous story.</i>
<u>horrific</u>	Causing horror. <i>Horrific</i> injuries.
horror	Something that inspires horror something horrible. <i>The horrors of civil war.</i>
<u>panic</u>	Cause sudden fear in or fill with sudden panic. Talk of love panic ked her.
petrify	Make rigid and set into a conventional pattern. Slogans petrify our thinking.
redoubtable	(of a person) formidable, especially as an opponent. <i>The redoubtable ladies.</i>
<u>scare</u>	Become scared. She has been given the all clear after a breast cancer scare .
scared	Fearful; frightened. I m scared stiff of flying.



scary	Frightening; causing fear. It was scary the way they bonded with each other.
terrible	Very unskilful. Terrible handwriting.
terrify	Fill with terror; frighten greatly. <i>The thought terrifies me.</i>
terrifying	Causing extreme fear. A terrifying wail.
terror	Terrorism. His delivery is the terror of even world class batsmen.
<u>unpleasant</u>	(of a person or their manner) unfriendly and inconsiderate; rude. <i>An unpleasant</i> personality.



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