

Need another word that means the same as “fragile”? Find 35 synonyms and 30 related words for “fragile” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Fragile” are: flimsy, slight, tenuous, thin, delicate, frail, breakable, brittle, frangible, splintery, weak, insubstantial, dainty, fine, vulnerable, perilous, shaky, rocky, risky, unreliable, suspect, nebulous, unsound, insecure, debilitated, tottery, trembly, ill, unwell, ailing, poorly, sickly, infirm, feeble, enfeebled**

## Fragile as an Adjective

### Definitions of "Fragile" as an adjective

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

- *Easily broken or damaged or destroyed.*
- *Vulnerably delicate.*
- *(of an object) easily broken or damaged.*
- *Lacking substance or significance.*
- *(of a person) not strong or sturdy; delicate and vulnerable.*
- *Easily destroyed or threatened.*



## Synonyms of "Fragile" as an adjective (35 Words)

- ailing** In poor health.  
*I went to see my **ailing** mother.*
- breakable** Capable of being broken or damaged.  
***Breakable** ornaments.*
- brittle** (of a person's voice) unpleasantly hard and sharp and showing signs of instability or nervousness.  
*A **brittle** laugh.*
- dainty** Affectedly dainty or refined.  
*A **dainty** morsel.*
- debilitated** Lacking energy or vitality.  
*A **debilitated** patient.*
- delicate** (of a state or condition) easily upset or affected.  
*His **delicate** health.*

<b>enfeebled</b>	Made weak or feeble. <i>An <b>enfeebled</b> old woman.</i>
<b>feeble</b>	Lacking physical strength, especially as a result of age or illness. <i><b>Feeble</b> efforts.</i>
<b>fine</b>	Characterized by elegance or refinement or accomplishment. <i>What a <b>fine</b> human being he is.</i>
<b>flimsy</b>	Lacking solidity or strength. <i>The <b>flimsy</b> garment fell from her.</i>
<b>frail</b>	Easily damaged or broken; weak. <i>A <b>frail</b> craft.</i>
<b>frangible</b>	Able to be broken into fragments; brittle or fragile. <i>She had kept his <b>frangible</b> mind together through many troubled years.</i>
<b>ill</b>	Presaging ill fortune P B Shelley. <i><b>Ill</b> will.</i>
<b>infirm</b>	Not physically or mentally strong, especially through age or illness. <i>He was <b>infirm</b> of purpose.</i>
<b>insecure</b>	(of a person) uncertain or anxious about oneself; not confident. <i>His fortune was increasingly <b>insecure</b>.</i>
<b>insubstantial</b>	Lacking strength and solidity. <i>The flickering light made her face seem <b>insubstantial</b>.</i>
<b>nebulous</b>	Lacking definition or definite content- Jane Austen. <i><b>Nebulous</b> reasons.</i>
<b>perilous</b>	Exposed to imminent risk of disaster or ruin. <i>A <b>perilous</b> voyage across the Atlantic in a small boat.</i>
<b>poorly</b>	Unwell. <i>She looked <b>poorly</b>.</i>
<b>risky</b>	Full of the possibility of danger, failure, or loss. <i>It was much too <b>risky</b> to try to disarm him.</i>
<b>rocky</b>	Causing or characterized by jolts and irregular movements. <i>The marriage seemingly got off to a <b>rocky</b> start.</i>
<b>shaky</b>	Not secure; beset with difficulties. <i>A cracked dangerously <b>shaky</b> table.</i>
<b>sickly</b>	(of a person's complexion or expression) indicative of poor health. <i>She was a thin <b>sickly</b> child.</i>
<b>slight</b>	Being of delicate or slender build. <i>There s a <b>slight</b> chance it will work.</i>

<b>splintery</b>	Subject to breaking into sharp slender pieces. <i>A rough <b>splintery</b> floor of old pine boards.</i>
<b>suspect</b>	Not as expected. <i>A <b>suspect</b> package was found on the platform.</i>
<b>tenuous</b>	Very slender or fine; insubstantial. <i>A <b>tenuous</b> argument.</i>
<b>thin</b>	Relatively thin in consistency or low in density not viscous. <i>His <b>thin</b> jacket.</i>
<b>tottery</b>	Unsteady in gait as from infirmity or old age. <i>A <b>tottery</b> old man.</i>
<b>trembly</b>	Shaking or quivering involuntarily. <i>She gave a queer <b>trembly</b> laugh.</i>
<b>unreliable</b>	Lacking a sense of responsibility. <i>An <b>unreliable</b> trestle.</i>
<b>unsound</b>	Physically unsound or diseased. <i>Dorinda was mentally <b>unsound</b>.</i>
<b>unwell</b>	Ill. <i>Is <b>unwell</b> and can't come to work.</i>
<b>vulnerable</b>	Susceptible to attack. <i><b>Vulnerable</b> to bribery.</i>
<b>weak</b>	Relating to or denoting the weakest of the known kinds of force between particles which acts only at distances less than about 10 cm is very much weaker than the electromagnetic and the strong interactions and conserves neither strangeness parity nor isospin. <i>The argument is an extremely <b>weak</b> one.</i>



## Usage Examples of "Fragile" as an adjective

- *Fragile items such as glass and china.*
- *Fragile old bones.*
- *She has the fragile beauty of youth.*
- *His fragile health somewhat improved.*
- *Fragile porcelain plates.*
- *A small, fragile old lady.*
- *A fragile claim to fame.*
- *You have a fragile grip on reality.*



## Associations of "Fragile" (30 Words)

- breakable** An article that is fragile and easily broken.  
*Earthenware pottery is **breakable**.*
- brittle** A brittle sweet made from nuts and set melted sugar.  
*Her manner was artificially bright and **brittle**.*
- debilitated** Lacking strength or vigor.  
*I became very **debilitated** with tremendous joint pain.*
- decrepit** Lacking bodily or muscular strength or vitality.  
*A row of **decrepit** houses.*
- delicacy** A choice or expensive food.  
*I have to treat this matter with the utmost **delicacy**.*

<b>delicate</b>	A delicate fabric or garment. <i>His <b>delicate</b> health.</i>
<b>destabilize</b>	Make unstable. <i>The accused were charged with conspiracy to <b>destabilize</b> the country.</i>
<b>effeminacy</b>	The trait of being effeminate (derogatory of a man). <i>The students associated science with masculinity and arts with <b>effeminacy</b>.</i>
<b>emaciated</b>	Abnormally thin or weak, especially because of illness or a lack of food. <i>She was so <b>emaciated</b> she could hardly stand.</i>
<b>emaciation</b>	Extreme leanness (usually caused by starvation or disease). <i>Thin to the point of <b>emaciation</b>.</i>
<b>ethereal</b>	Characterized by lightness and insubstantiality; as impalpable or intangible as air- Thomas Carlyle. <i><b>Ethereal</b> melodies.</i>
<b>feeble</b>	Pathetically lacking in force or effectiveness. <i>I know it s <b>feeble</b> but I ve never been one to stand up for myself.</i>
<b>feminine</b>	A feminine word or form. <i><b>Feminine</b> intuition.</i>
<b>femininity</b>	The trait of behaving in ways considered typical for women. <i>She alternated between embracing her <b>femininity</b> and concealing it.</i>
<b>flagging</b>	Weak from exhaustion. <i>The <b>flagging</b> in the garden was quite imaginative.</i>
<b>fragility</b>	The quality of being easily broken or damaged. <i>A film about the <b>fragility</b> of relationships.</i>
<b>friable</b>	Easily crumbled. <i><b>Friable</b> sandstone.</i>
<b>impotent</b>	(of a male animal) unable to copulate. <i>He was seized with an <b>impotent</b> anger.</i>
<b>infirm</b>	Lacking bodily or muscular strength or vitality. <i>He was <b>infirm</b> of purpose.</i>
<b>languid</b>	Lacking spirit or liveliness. <i>The terrace was perfect for <b>languid</b> days in the Italian sun.</i>
<b>particulate</b>	Composed of distinct particles. <i>Sooty <b>particulates</b> from diesel exhausts.</i>
<b>powerless</b>	Lacking power. <i>Troops were <b>powerless</b> to stop last night s shooting.</i>
<b>puny</b>	Poor in quality, amount, or size. <i><b>Puny</b> excuses.</i>

- rickety** Inclined to shake as from weakness or defect.  
*A **rickety** banking system.*
- sensitivity** Sensitivity to emotional feelings of self and others.  
*He has a **sensitivity** to cow s milk.*
- undermine** Erode the base or foundation of (a rock formation).  
*The flow of water had **undermined** pillars supporting the roof.*
- vulnerable** (of a person) in need of special care, support, or protection because of age, disability, or risk of abuse or neglect.  
*A **vulnerable** bridge.*
- weak** Relating to or denoting the weakest of the known kinds of force between particles which acts only at distances less than about 10 cm is very much weaker than the electromagnetic and the strong interactions and conserves neither strangeness parity nor isospin.  
*The new king used his powers to protect the **weak**.*
- weakly** In a weak or feeble manner or to a minor degree.  
*She leaned **weakly** against the wall.*
- weakness** A penchant for something even though it might not be good for you.  
*The **weakness** of the span was overlooked until it collapsed.*



