

Need another word that means the same as “grating”? Find 29 synonyms and 30 related words for “grating” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Grating” are: gravelly, rasping, raspy, rough, scratchy, grinding, creaking, jarring, abrasive, harsh, raucous, strident, piercing, shrill, screeching, squawky, squeaky, sharp, irritating, annoying, infuriating, vexatious, irksome, galling, exasperating, maddening, displeasing, diffraction grating, grate**

## Grating as a Noun

### Definitions of "Grating" as a noun

According to the [Oxford Dictionary of English](#), “grating” as a noun can have the following definitions:

- *A frame of iron bars to hold a fire.*
- *A barrier that has parallel or crossed bars blocking a passage but admitting air.*
- *Optical device consisting of a surface with many parallel grooves in it; disperses a beam of light (or other electromagnetic radiation) into its wavelengths to produce its spectrum.*



### Synonyms of "Grating" as a noun (2 Words)

**diffraction  
grating**

Optical device consisting of a surface with many parallel grooves in it; disperses a beam of light (or other electromagnetic radiation) into its wavelengths to produce its spectrum.

**grate**

A barrier that has parallel or crossed bars blocking a passage but admitting air.





## Grating as an Adjective

### Definitions of "Grating" as an adjective

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

- *Irritating.*
- *Sounding harsh and unpleasant.*
- *Unpleasantly harsh or grating in sound.*



## Synonyms of "Grating" as an adjective (27 Words)

<b>abrasive</b>	Sharply disagreeable; rigorous. <i>Don't use <b>abrasive</b> kitchen cleaners.</i>
<b>annoying</b>	Causing irritation or annoyance. <i>Unsolicited calls are <b>annoying</b>.</i>
<b>creaking</b>	Showing weakness or frailty under strain. <i>He boards a <b>creaking</b> wooden boat.</i>
<b>displeasing</b>	Causing displeasure or lacking pleasing qualities. <i><b>Displeasing</b> news.</i>
<b>exasperating</b>	Making worse. <i>His cavalier curtness of manner was <b>exasperating</b>.</i>
<b>galling</b>	Causing annoyance or resentment; annoying. <i>It would be <b>galling</b> to lose your job because of a dispute with a customer.</i>
<b>gravelly</b>	(of a voice) deep and rough-sounding. <i>A <b>gravelly</b> voice.</i>

<b><u>grinding</u></b>	(of a sound or movement) harsh and grating. <i><b>Grinding</b> poverty.</i>
<b>harsh</b>	Unpleasantly stern. <i>The <b>harsh</b> white light makes you screw up your eyes.</i>
<b><u>infuriating</u></b>	Extremely annoying or displeasing. <i>Her <b>infuriating</b> indifference.</i>
<b>irksome</b>	Irritating; annoying. <i>Petty regulations were becoming very <b>irksome</b>.</i>
<b>irritating</b>	Causing irritation to a body part. <i>An <b>irritating</b> delay.</i>
<b><u>jarring</u></b>	Causing a physical shock, jolt, or vibration. <i>The van came to a <b>jarring</b> halt.</i>
<b>maddening</b>	Extremely annoying. <i>The ceaseless tumult of the jukebox was <b>maddening</b>.</i>
<b><u>piercing</u></b>	(of a sound) extremely high or loud. <i>I recall one moment of <b>piercing</b> sadness.</i>
<b>rasping</b>	Harsh-sounding and unpleasant; grating. <i>His cracked <b>rasping</b> voice narrates the story.</i>
<b>raspy</b>	Unpleasantly harsh or grating in sound. <i>His voice was <b>raspy</b> from days of non stop campaigning.</i>
<b><u>raucous</u></b>	Making or constituting a disturbingly harsh and loud noise. <i><b>Raucous</b> youths.</i>
<b>rough</b>	Difficult and unpleasant or unfair. <i>She was a diamond in the <b>rough</b>.</i>
<b>scratchy</b>	(of writing or a drawing) done with quick and jagged strokes. <i>Loudspeakers blaring a <b>scratchy</b> record.</i>
<b>screeching</b>	Making a loud, harsh, piercing sound. <i>The truck came to a <b>screeching</b> halt.</i>
<b><u>sharp</u></b>	Of a key having a sharp or sharps in the signature. <i>His old mind was not so <b>sharp</b> as it once was.</i>
<b><u>shrill</u></b>	Having or emitting a high-pitched and sharp tone or tones. <i>A <b>shrill</b> whistle.</i>
<b>squawky</b>	Like the cackles or squawks a hen makes especially after laying an egg. <i>Their voices are high and birdlike and <b>squawky</b>.</i>
<b>squeaky</b>	Having or making a high-pitched sound such as that made by a mouse or a rusty hinge. <i>A high <b>squeaky</b> voice.</i>



**strident**

Presenting a point of view, especially a controversial one, in an excessively forceful way.

*His voice had become increasingly **strident**.*

**vexatious**

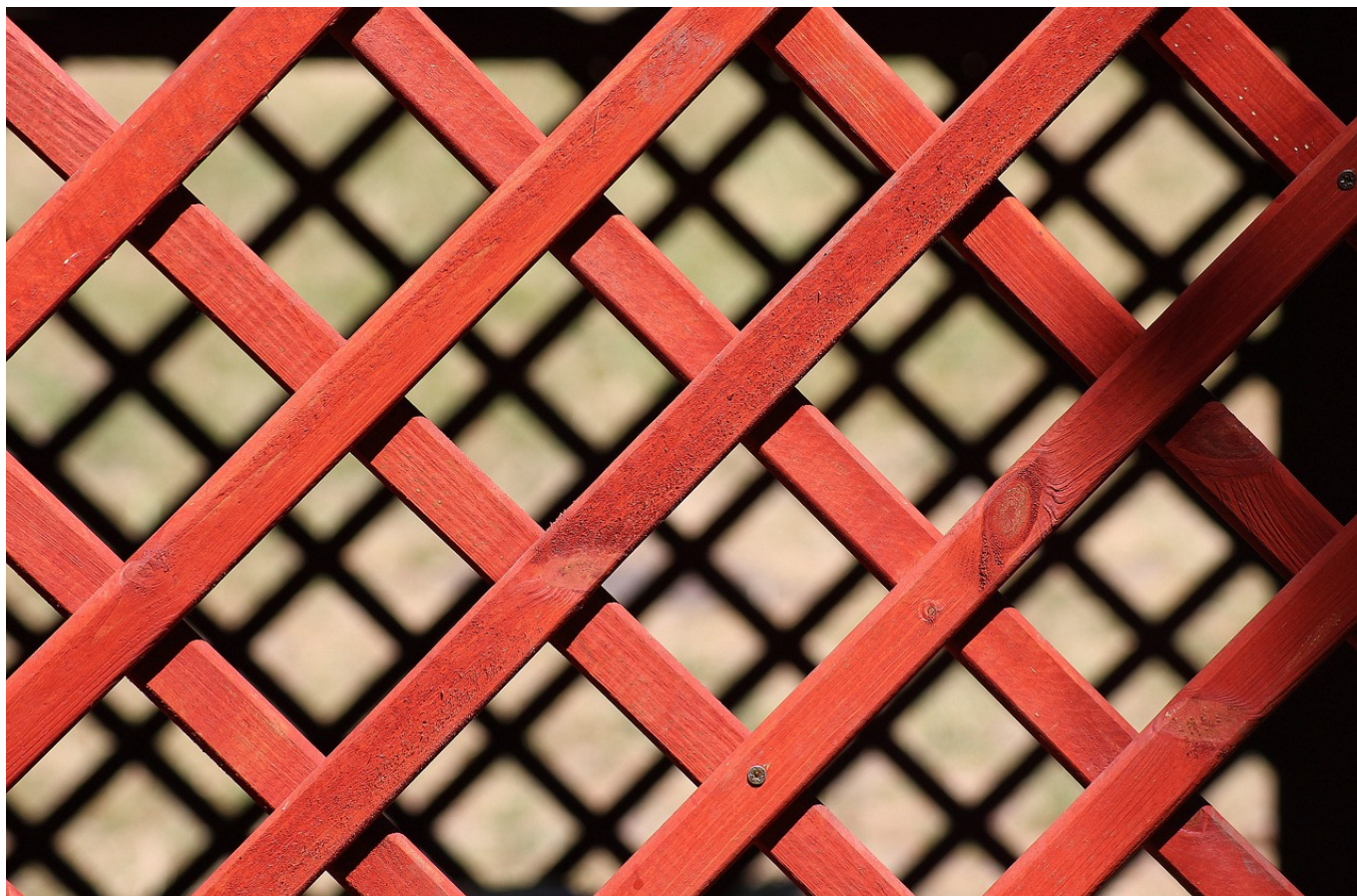
Causing irritation or annoyance.

*A **vexatious** child.*



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

- *The continual praise of the good old days can become grating.*
- *A high, grating voice.*



## Associations of "Grating" (30 Words)

<b>cacophonous</b>	Having an unpleasant sound. <i>As <b>cacophonous</b> as a henyard.</i>
<b>clamorous</b>	Making a loud and confused noise. <i>The <b>clamorous</b> radical wing of the party.</i>
<b>coarse</b>	Relating to the sport of angling for coarse fish. <i>Under the microscope they are seen to contain <b>coarse</b> grains.</i>
<b>cracked</b>	(of a person's voice) having an unusual harshness or pitch, especially through strain. <i>The old pipes were <b>cracked</b> and leaking.</i>
<b><u>crude</u></b>	Belonging to an early stage of technical development characterized by simplicity and often crudeness. <i>The measure was condemned by economists as <b>crude</b> and ill conceived.</i>
<b><u>din</u></b>	A loud, unpleasant, and prolonged noise. <i>The fans made an awful <b>din</b>.</i>

<b>disorderly</b>	Undisciplined and unruly. <i>A <b>disorderly</b> pile of books.</i>
<b>dissonant</b>	Lacking harmony. <i>Jackson employs both harmonious and <b>dissonant</b> colour choices.</i>
<b>drawl</b>	A slow, lazy way of speaking or an accent with prolonged vowel sounds. <i>Suits me fine he <b>drawled</b>.</i>
<b>gravelly</b>	Unpleasantly harsh or grating in sound. <i>A <b>gravelly</b> voice.</i>
<b>gruff</b>	Abrupt or taciturn in manner. <i><b>Gruff</b> voices.</i>
<b>hoarse</b>	(of a person's voice) sounding rough and harsh, typically as the result of a sore throat or of shouting. <i>A <b>hoarse</b> whisper.</i>
<b>husky</b>	(of a person) big and strong. <i>Paddy looked a <b>husky</b> strong guy.</i>
<b>inharmonious</b>	Lacking in harmony of parts. <i>An <b>inharmonious</b> or incongruous mixture of architectural styles.</i>
<b>iron</b>	A meteorite containing a high proportion of iron. <i>Her father had a will of <b>iron</b>.</i>
<b>jarring</b>	Incongruous in a striking or shocking way; clashing. <i>The telephone struck a <b>jarring</b> note in those Renaissance surroundings.</i>
<b>noisy</b>	Attracting attention by showiness or bright colors. <i>A small <b>noisy</b> dog.</i>
<b>racket</b>	Hit a ball with a racket. <i>A squash <b>racket</b>.</i>
<b>rambunctious</b>	Uncontrollably exuberant; boisterous. <i>A <b>rambunctious</b> tyke.</i>
<b>raspy</b>	Hoarse or harsh-sounding. <i>His voice was <b>raspy</b> from days of non stop campaigning.</i>
<b>raucous</b>	Disturbing the public peace; loud and rough. <i>A <b>raucous</b> party.</i>
<b>rough</b>	With rough motion as over a rough surface. <i>It ll cost about 50 at a <b>rough</b> guess.</i>
<b>rowdy</b>	A noisy and disorderly person. <i>It was a <b>rowdy</b> but good natured crowd.</i>



<b>sound</b>	The distinctive quality of the music of a particular composer or performer or of the sound produced by a particular instrument. <i>He has a <b>sound</b> understanding of the law.</i>
<b>splitting</b>	Resembling a sound of violent tearing as of something ripped apart or lightning splitting a tree. <i>I woke up with a <b>splitting</b> headache.</i>
<b>stony</b>	(of a meteorite) consisting mostly of rock, as opposed to metal. <i>The government maintained a <b>stony</b> silence about the affair.</i>
<b>strident</b>	Presenting a point of view, especially a controversial one, in an excessively forceful way. <i><b>Strident</b> demands.</i>
<b>tool</b>	A small stamp or roller used to make a tooled design. <i>They were <b>tooling</b> up for production.</i>
<b><u>tough</u></b>	Physically toughened. <i>A <b>tough</b> character.</i>
<b>vociferous</b>	Conspicuously and offensively loud; given to vehement outcry. <i>A <b>vociferous</b> mob.</i>

