

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)

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

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

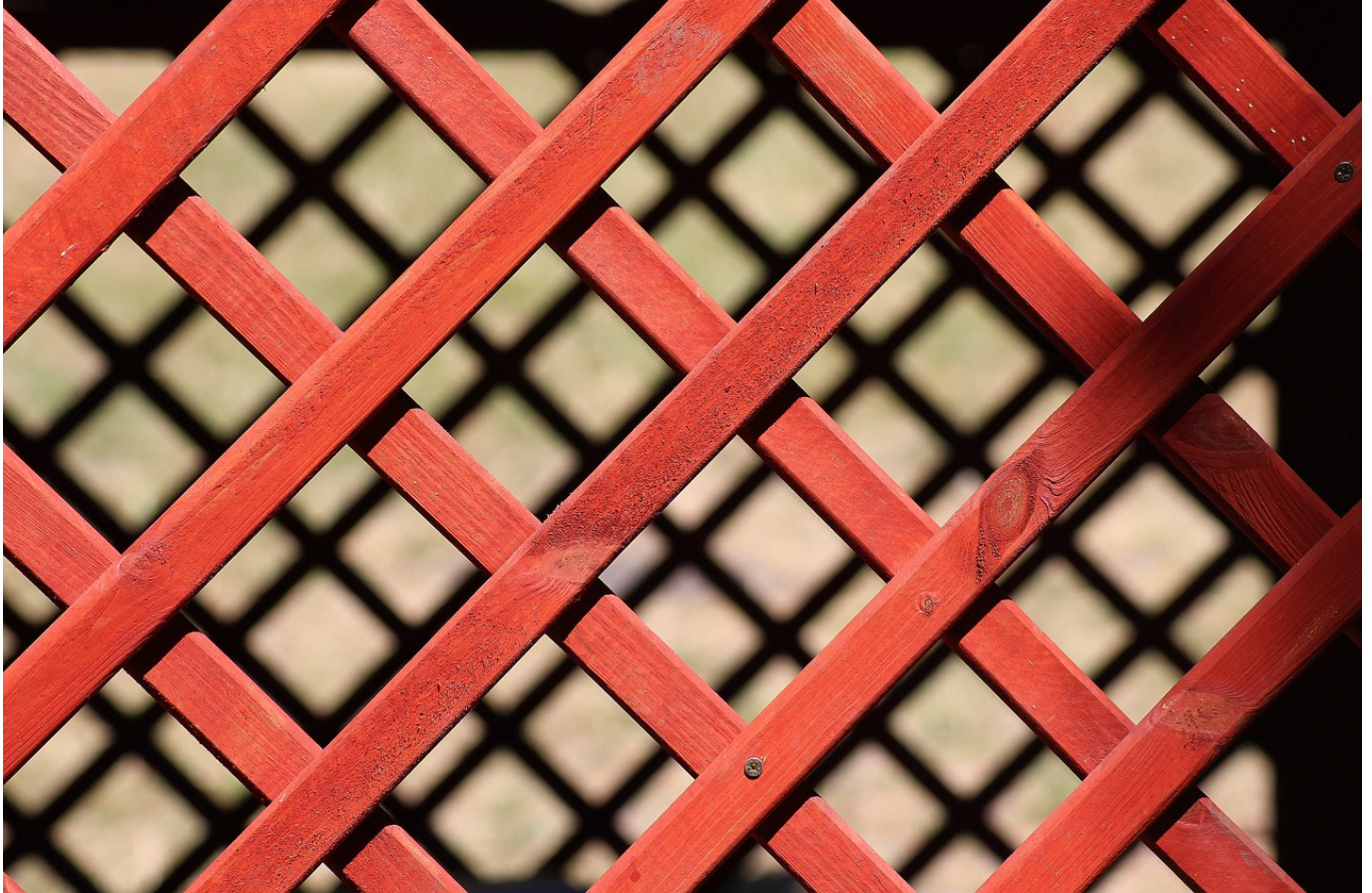
strident Presenting a point of view, especially a controversial one, in an excessively forceful way.
*His voice had become increasingly **strident**.*

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)

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

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

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

