

Need another word that means the same as “heinous”? Find 33 synonyms and 30 related words for “heinous” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Heinous” are: flagitious, odious, wicked, evil, atrocious, monstrous, disgraceful, abominable, detestable, contemptible, reprehensible, despicable, horrible, horrific, horrifying, terrible, awful, abhorrent, loathsome, outrageous, shocking, shameful, hateful, hideous, unspeakable, unpardonable, unforgivable, inexcusable, execrable, ghastly, iniquitous, villainous, nefarious

Heinous as an Adjective

Definitions of "Heinous" as an adjective

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

- *(of a person or wrongful act, especially a crime) utterly odious or wicked.*
- *Extremely wicked, deeply criminal.*

Synonyms of "Heinous" as an adjective (33 Words)

abhorrent	Offensive to the mind. <i>Racism was abhorrent to us all.</i>
abominable	Unequivocally detestable- Edmund Burke. <i>Abominable workmanship.</i>
atrocious	Provoking horror- Winston Churchill. <i>He attempted an atrocious imitation of my English accent.</i>
awful	Causing fear or dread or terror. <i>An awful voice.</i>

contemptible	Deserving of contempt or scorn. <i>A display of contemptible cowardice.</i>
despicable	Morally reprehensible. <i>A despicable crime.</i>
detestable	Unequivocally detestable Edmund Burke. <i>I found the film s violence detestable.</i>
<u>disgraceful</u>	Shockingly unacceptable. <i>It is disgraceful that they should be denied unemployment benefits.</i>
evil	Of a force or spirit embodying or associated with the forces of the devil. <i>A bathroom with an ineradicably evil smell.</i>
execrable	Deserving a curse. <i>Execrable cheap wine.</i>
flagitious	(of a person or their actions) criminal; villainous. <i>A flagitious crime.</i>
<u>ghastly</u>	Deathly white. <i>One of the most ghastly crimes ever committed.</i>
hateful	Arousing, deserving of, or filled with hatred. <i>No vice is universally as hateful as ingratitude.</i>
hideous	So extremely ugly as to be terrifying. <i>A hideous pattern of injustice.</i>
horrible	Causing or likely to cause horror; shocking. <i>War is beyond all words horrible.</i>
<u>horrific</u>	Causing horror. <i>Horrific conditions in the mining industry.</i>
<u>horrifying</u>	Causing horror; extremely shocking. <i>An alarming even horrifying picture.</i>
inexcusable	Not excusable. <i>Matt s behaviour was inexcusable.</i>
iniquitous	Grossly unfair and morally wrong. <i>An iniquitous tax.</i>
loathsome	Causing or able to cause nausea. <i>This loathsome little swine.</i>
monstrous	Inhumanly or outrageously evil or wrong. <i>He wasn t lovable he was monstrous and violent.</i>
nefarious	Extremely wicked. <i>The nefarious activities of the organized crime syndicates.</i>

odious	Extremely unpleasant; repulsive. <i>Consequences odious to those you govern.</i>
outrageous	Wildly exaggerated or improbable. <i>An outrageous act of bribery.</i>
reprehensible	Deserving censure or condemnation. <i>His complacency and reprehensible laxity.</i>
shameful	Giving offense to moral sensibilities and injurious to reputation. <i>The wicked rascally shameful conduct of the bankrupt.</i>
shocking	Causing a feeling of surprise and dismay. <i>She brought shocking news.</i>
terrible	Very unskilful. <i>A terrible cough.</i>
unforgivable	Not excusable. <i>Losing your temper with him was unforgivable.</i>
unpardonable	(of a fault or offence) too severe to be pardoned; unforgivable. <i>An unpardonable sin.</i>
unspeakable	Too sacred to be uttered. <i>A piece of unspeakable abuse.</i>
villainous	Relating to, constituting, or guilty of wicked or criminal behaviour. <i>A villainous band of thieves.</i>
wicked	Morally bad in principle or practice. <i>A wicked sense of humour.</i>

Usage Examples of "Heinous" as an adjective

- *A battery of heinous crimes.*
- *Heinous accusations.*

Associations of "Heinous" (30 Words)

aggravating	Causing annoyance or exasperation. <i>She found him thoroughly aggravating and unprofessional.</i>
barbarism	A brutal barbarous savage act. <i>She called the execution an act of barbarism.</i>
barbarous	Able or disposed to inflict pain or suffering. <i>Avoiding barbarous sentences or ambiguities.</i>

beastly	In a beastly manner. A beastly dull wedding party.
bloodthirsty	Marked by eagerness to resort to violence and bloodshed-G.W.Johnson. A bloodthirsty dictator.
brutal	Able or disposed to inflict pain or suffering. A brutal murder.
brutish	Resembling or characteristic of a brute. A dull and brutish man.
cruel	Wilfully causing pain or suffering to others, or feeling no concern about it. People who are cruel to animals.
detestable	Unequivocally detestable. Detestable vices.
devilry	Wicked and cruel behavior. Some devilry was afoot.
diabolic	Showing the cunning or ingenuity or wickedness typical of a devil. The cold calculation and diabolic art of some statesmen.
execrable	Unequivocally detestable. Execrable cheap wine.
execrate	Find repugnant. They were execrated as dangerous and corrupt.
ferocious	Very great; extreme. A ferocious beating.
fiendish	Extremely cruel or unpleasant. Fiendish methods of torture.
gory	Accompanied by bloodshed. A gory horror film.
hateful	Arousing, deserving of, or filled with hatred. A hateful thing to do.
hellish	(informal) very unpleasant. It was hellish expensive.
inhuman	Not human in nature or character. The inhuman treatment meted out to political prisoners.
inhumane	Without compassion for misery or suffering; cruel. Confining wild horses is inhumane .
loathsome	Highly offensive; arousing aversion or disgust. A loathsome disease.

nauseating	Causing or able to cause nausea. <i>The stench was nauseating.</i>
odious	Unequivocally detestable- Edmund Burke. <i>Consequences odious to those you govern.</i>
pitiless	Showing no pity; cruel. <i>A pitiless executioner.</i>
<u>ruthless</u>	Without mercy or pity. <i>An act of ruthless ferocity.</i>
sanguinary	Involving or causing much bloodshed. <i>Went after the collaborators with a sanguinary fury that drenched the land with blood.</i>
savage	(of an animal or force of nature) fierce, violent, and uncontrolled. <i>The decision was a savage blow for the town.</i>
wicked	Naughtily or annoyingly playful. <i>A wicked and unscrupulous politician.</i>