

Need another word that means the same as “horrendous”? Find 28 synonyms for “horrendous” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Horrendous” are: awful, dire, direful, dread, dreaded, dreadful, fearful, fearsome, frightening, horrific, terrible, horrible, horrifying, frightful, shocking, appalling, hideous, grim, grisly, ghastly, harrowing, gruesome, heinous, vile, nightmarish, macabre, unspeakable, hair-raising**

## Horrendous as an Adjective

### Definitions of "Horrendous" as an adjective

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

- *Extremely unpleasant, horrifying, or terrible.*
- *Causing fear or dread or terror.*

### Synonyms of "Horrendous" as an adjective (28 Words)

<a href="#">appalling</a>	Very bad; awful. <b>Appalling</b> conditions.
awful	Offensive or even (of persons) malicious. An <b>awful</b> voice.
<a href="#">dire</a>	(of a warning or threat) presaging disaster. There were <b>dire</b> warnings from the traffic organizations.
direful	Extremely bad; dreadful. A career or vengeance so <b>direful</b> that London was shocked.
<a href="#">dread</a>	Greatly feared dreadful. The <b>dread</b> presence of the headmaster.

<b><u>dreaded</u></b>	Regarded with great fear or apprehension. <i>The <b>dreaded</b> news came that Joe had been wounded.</i>
<b><u>dreadful</u></b>	Exceptionally bad or displeasing. <i><b>Dreadful</b> manners.</i>
<b>fearful</b>	Lacking courage; ignobly timid and faint-hearted. <i><b>Fearful</b> slum conditions.</i>
<b>fearsome</b>	Causing fear or dread or terror. <i>The cat mewed displaying a <b>fearsome</b> set of teeth.</i>
<b><u>frightening</u></b>	Making someone afraid or anxious; terrifying. <i>A <b>frightening</b> experience.</i>
<b>frightful</b>	Used for emphasis, especially of something bad. <i>In a <b>frightful</b> hurry.</i>
<b><u>ghastly</u></b>	Gruesomely indicative of death or the dead. <i><b>Ghastly</b> shrieks.</i>
<b><u>grim</u></b>	Not to be placated or appeased or moved by entreaty. <i>The <b>grim</b> task of burying the victims.</i>
<b>grisly</b>	Causing horror or disgust. <i>A <b>grisly</b> murder.</i>
<b><u>gruesome</u></b>	Causing repulsion or horror; grisly. <i>The most <b>gruesome</b> murder.</i>
<b>hair-raising</b>	Extremely alarming.
<b>harrowing</b>	Acutely distressing. <i>A <b>harrowing</b> film about racism and violence.</i>
<b><u>heinous</u></b>	Extremely wicked, deeply criminal. <i><b>Heinous</b> accusations.</i>
<b>hideous</b>	Extremely ugly. <i><b>Hideous</b> lizard like creatures.</i>
<b>horrible</b>	Provoking horror- Winston Churchill. <i>A <b>horrible</b> massacre.</i>
<b><u>horrific</u></b>	Grossly offensive to decency or morality; causing horror. <i><b>Horrific</b> conditions in the mining industry.</i>
<b><u>horrifying</u></b>	Causing horror; extremely shocking. <i>An alarming even <b>horrifying</b> picture.</i>
<b><u>macabre</u></b>	Disturbing because concerned with or causing a fear of death. <i><b>Macabre</b> tales of war and plague in the Middle ages.</i>
<b>nightmarish</b>	Extremely alarming. <i>A <b>nightmarish</b> vision of the future.</i>

<b><u>shocking</u></b>	Giving offense to moral sensibilities and injurious to reputation. <i>She brought <b>shocking</b> news.</i>
<b>terrible</b>	Causing or likely to cause terror; sinister. <i>I was <b>terrible</b> at basketball.</i>
<b><u>unspeakable</u></b>	Too bad or horrific to express in words. <i><b>Unspeakable</b> happiness.</i>
<b>vile</b>	Causing or able to cause nausea. <i>As <b>vile</b> a rogue as ever lived.</i>

### Usage Examples of "Horrendous" as an adjective

- *Horrendous explosions shook the city.*
- *She suffered horrendous injuries.*