

Need another word that means the same as “humbling”? Find 3 synonyms and 30 related words for “humbling” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Humbling” are: demeaning, humiliating, mortifying

Humbling as an Adjective

Definitions of "Humbling" as an adjective

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

- *Low or inferior in station or quality.*
- *Causing awareness of your shortcomings.*
- *Of low birth or station ('base' is archaic in this sense).*
- *Marked by meekness or modesty; not arrogant or prideful- B.K.Malinowski.*
- *Used of unskilled work (especially domestic work).*



Synonyms of "Humbling" as an adjective (3 Words)

- demeaning** Causing awareness of your shortcomings.
*The poster was not **demeaning** to women.*
- humiliating** Making someone feel ashamed and foolish by injuring their dignity and pride.
*A **humiliating** defeat.*
- mortifying** Causing great embarrassment or shame.
*How **mortifying** to find that he was right.*



Usage Examples of "Humbling" as an adjective

- *Golf is a humbling game.*



Associations of "Humbling" (30 Words)

[amiable](#)

Disposed to please- Hal Hinson.
*An **amiable** gathering.*

[chivalrous](#)

Courteous and gallant, especially towards women (typically used of a man or his behaviour).
*The concept of **chivalrous** combat.*

[chivalry](#)

The medieval knightly system with its religious, moral, and social code.
*I fought against the cream of French **chivalry**.*

[civility](#)

Polite remarks used in formal conversation.
*I hope we can treat each other with **civility** and respect.*

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| comity | A state or atmosphere of harmony or mutual civility and respect. <i>A show of public comity in the White House.</i> |
| condescendingly | With condescension; in a patronizing manner. <i>He treats his secretary condescendingly.</i> |
| <u>courtesy</u> | A courteous manner. <i>A courtesy car.</i> |
| couth | Good manners; refinement. <i>He has no couth no brains and doesn't know the meaning of the word diplomacy.</i> |
| curtsy | Make a curtsy usually done only by girls and women as a sign of respect. <i>She bobbed a curtsy to him.</i> |
| <u>decent</u> | Decently clothed. <i>I would kill for a decent cup of coffee.</i> |
| decorous | According with custom or propriety. <i>The tete a tete was decorous in the extreme.</i> |
| <u>gracious</u> | (in Christian belief) showing divine grace. <i>Gracious even to unexpected visitors.</i> |
| humbleness | A disposition to be humble; a lack of false pride. |
| humility | A humble feeling. <i>He needs the humility to accept that their way may be better.</i> |
| intermediate | A person at an intermediate level of knowledge or skill. <i>A cooled liquid intermediate between liquid and solid.</i> |
| lowliness | A position of inferior status; low in station or rank or fortune or estimation. |
| meekness | The fact or condition of being meek; submissiveness. <i>All his best friends make fun of him for his meekness.</i> |
| <u>menial</u> | A person with a menial job. <i>Menial factory jobs.</i> |
| <u>mild</u> | Humble in spirit or manner suggesting retiring mildness or even cowed submissiveness. <i>A mild winter storm.</i> |
| moderate | A person who holds moderate views especially in politics. <i>A moderate income.</i> |
| <u>modest</u> | Dressing or behaving so as to avoid impropriety or indecency, especially to avoid attracting sexual attention (typically used of a woman). <i>A modest man of the people.</i> |

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| <u>polite</u> | Relating to people who regard themselves as more cultured and refined than others. <i>Polite</i> society. |
| respectful | Feeling or manifesting veneration. They sit in <i>respectful</i> silence. |
| respectfully | With deference and respect. I <i>respectfully</i> declined their invitation. |
| truthful | Telling or expressing the truth; honest. Astonishingly <i>truthful</i> acting. |
| <u>unassuming</u> | Not arrogant or presuming. He was an <i>unassuming</i> and kindly man. |
| unbelievably | To a great degree; extremely. <i>Unbelievably</i> all this is yours for 50p. |
| unbiased | Showing no prejudice for or against something; impartial. His assessment of the benefits and drawbacks was <i>unbiased</i> . |
| <u>unimpressive</u> | Evoking no admiration or respect; not striking. Her early academic record was <i>unimpressive</i> . |
| unpretentious | (of a place) pleasantly simple and functional; modest. A friendly and <i>unpretentious</i> hotel. |

