

Need another word that means the same as “incongruous”? Find 15 synonyms and 30 related words for “incongruous” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Incongruous” are: out of place, out of keeping, inappropriate, unsuitable, unsuited, not in harmony, mismatched, unharmonious, inconsistent, incompatible, different, dissimilar, contrasting, disparate, discrepant**

## Incongruous as an Adjective

### Definitions of "Incongruous" as an adjective

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

- *Lacking in harmony or compatibility or appropriateness.*
- *Not in harmony or keeping with the surroundings or other aspects of something.*

### Synonyms of "Incongruous" as an adjective (15 Words)

<b>contrasting</b>	Strikingly different; tending to contrast. <b>Contrasting</b> colours.
<b>different</b>	Novel and unusual. <i>Advertising that strives continually to be <b>different</b>.</i>
<b>discrepant</b>	Not in accord. <i>The reasons for these <b>discrepant</b> results are unclear.</i>
<a href="#">disparate</a>	Containing elements very different from one another. <b>Disparate</b> ideas.

<b>dissimilar</b>	Marked by dissimilarity. <i>The pleasures of the romance novel are not <b>dissimilar</b> from those of the chocolate bar.</i>
<b>inappropriate</b>	Not in keeping with what is correct or proper. <i>Put <b>inappropriate</b> pressure on them.</i>
<b>incompatible</b>	(of two things) so different in nature as to be incapable of coexisting. <i><b>Incompatible</b> colors.</i>
<b>inconsistent</b>	Displaying a lack of consistency. <i>The quality of the material was often <b>inconsistent</b>.</i>
<b>mismatched</b>	(of a contest or contestants) not fairly matched as opponents. <i>A pair of <b>mismatched</b> cops.</i>
<b>not in harmony</b>	Holding office.
<b>out of keeping</b>	Outside or external.
<b>out of place</b>	Outside or external.
<b>unharmonious</b>	Not harmonious. <i>The <b>unharmonious</b> noise of town life.</i>
<b>unsuitable</b>	Not worthy of being chosen (especially as a spouse). <i>A solvent <b>unsuitable</b> for use on wood surfaces.</i>
<b>unsuited</b>	Not easy to combine harmoniously. <i>He was totally <b>unsuited</b> for the job.</i>

## Usage Examples of "Incongruous" as an adjective

- *The duffel coat looked incongruous with the black dress she wore underneath.*
- *Incongruous behavior.*
- *A joke that was incongruous with polite conversation.*
- *A plan incongruous with reason.*

## Associations of "Incongruous" (30 Words)

<b>absurd</b>	An absurd state of affairs. <i>The incidents that followed bordered on the <b>absurd</b>.</i>
<b>antagonistic</b>	Characterized by antagonism or antipathy. <i>Europe was <b>antagonistic</b> to the Unites States.</i>
<b>antinomy</b>	A contradiction between two statements that seem equally reasonable. <i>There are not many short novels capable of accommodating bewildering antinomies.</i>

<b>antisocial</b>	Relating to or having an antisocial personality disorder. <i>Criminal behavior or conduct that violates the rights of other individuals is <b>antisocial</b>.</i>
<b>conflicting</b>	Incompatible or at variance; contradictory. <i><b>Conflicting</b> opinions.</i>
<b>contradiction</b>	Opposition between two conflicting forces or ideas. <i>The statement he is brave and he is not brave is a <b>contradiction</b>.</i>
<b>contradictory</b>	A contradictory proposition. <i>Perfect and imperfect are <b>contradictory</b> terms.</i>
<b>discordant</b>	(of sounds) harsh and jarring because of a lack of harmony. <i>Views <b>discordant</b> with present day ideas.</i>
<b>discrepant</b>	Characterized by an illogical or surprising lack of compatibility or similarity. <i>Widely <b>discrepant</b> statements.</i>
<b>dissonant</b>	Unsuitable or unusual in combination; clashing. <i>Jackson employs both harmonious and <b>dissonant</b> colour choices.</i>
<b>illogical</b>	Lacking in correct logical relation. <i>An <b>illogical</b> fear of the supernatural.</i>
<b>inappropriate</b>	Not suitable for a particular occasion etc. <i>It would be <b>inappropriate</b> for me to comment.</i>
<b>inapt</b>	Not elegant or graceful in expression. <i>A more <b>inapt</b> name I cannot imagine.</i>
<b>incompatible</b>	(of two people) unable to live together harmoniously. <i>Although convinced that they were <b>incompatible</b> she loved him.</i>
<b>incongruent</b>	Not congruent.
<b>incongruity</b>	The quality of disagreeing; being unsuitable and inappropriate. <i>The <b>incongruity</b> of his fleshy face and skinny body disturbed her.</i>
<b>inconsistency</b>	The fact or state of being inconsistent. <i>The <b>inconsistency</b> between his expressed attitudes and his actual behaviour.</i>
<b>inconsistent</b>	Not in agreement. <i>The quality of the material was often <b>inconsistent</b>.</i>
<b>inharmonious</b>	Not in harmony. <i>An <b>inharmonious</b> negative state of mind.</i>
<b>inhospitable</b>	(of a person) unfriendly and unwelcoming towards people. <i><b>Inhospitable</b> mountain areas.</i>

<b><u>irony</u></b>	A literary technique, originally used in Greek tragedy, by which the full significance of a character's words or actions is clear to the audience or reader although unknown to the character. <i>The <b>irony</b> is that I thought he could help me.</i>
<b><u>oxymoron</u></b>	Conjoining contradictory terms (as in `deafening silence.
<b><u>paradox</u></b>	A statement that contradicts itself. <i>The liar <b>paradox</b>.</i>
<b>sarcasm</b>	Witty language used to convey insults or scorn. <i>He used <b>sarcasm</b> to upset his opponent.</i>
<b><u>unfriendly</u></b>	Not friendly. <i>An <b>unfriendly</b> action to take.</i>
<b><u>unlike</u></b>	Marked by dissimilarity. <i>He was very <b>unlike</b> to any other man.</i>
<b>unsocial</b>	(of the hours of work of a job) falling outside the normal working day and thus socially inconvenient. <i>The <b>unsocial</b> disposition to neglect one's neighbors.</i>
<b><u>unsound</u></b>	Physically unsound or diseased. <i>This line of argument is <b>unsound</b>.</i>
<b><u>unsuitable</u></b>	Not conducive to good moral development. <i>The movie is <b>unsuitable</b> for children.</i>
<b>unsuited</b>	Not right or appropriate. <i>He was totally <b>unsuited</b> for the job.</i>