

Need another word that means the same as “inert”? Find 23 synonyms and 30 related words for “inert” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Inert” are: sluggish, soggy, torpid, indifferent, neutral, unmoving, motionless, immobile, still, stock-still, stationary, static, dormant, sleeping, lethargic, enervated, lackadaisical, spiritless, unenergetic, lifeless, lacking energy, limp, effete**

## Inert as an Adjective

### Definitions of "Inert" as an adjective

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

- *Having only a limited ability to react chemically; chemically inactive.*
- *Lacking vigour.*
- *Unable to move or resist motion.*
- *Lacking the ability or strength to move.*
- *Chemically inactive.*
- *Slow and apathetic.*



## Synonyms of "Inert" as an adjective (23 Words)

<b>dormant</b>	(of a volcano) temporarily inactive. <i>Her feelings of affection are <b>dormant</b> but easily awakened.</i>
<b>effete</b>	Weak or effeminate (typically used of a man). <i>He chatted away exercising his rather <b>effete</b> charm.</i>
<b>enervated</b>	Drained of energy or vitality. <i>Daniel felt too <b>enervated</b> to resist.</i>
<b>immobile</b>	Not capable of movement or of being moved. <i>An <b>immobile</b> workforce.</i>
<b>indifferent</b>	Neither good nor bad; mediocre. <i>A properly <b>indifferent</b> jury.</i>
<b>lackadaisical</b>	Idle or indolent especially in a dreamy way. <i>A <b>lackadaisical</b> defence left Spurs adrift in the second half.</i>
<b>lacking energy</b>	Nonexistent.
<b>lethargic</b>	Deficient in alertness or activity. <i>I felt tired and a little <b>lethargic</b>.</i>
<b>lifeless</b>	Dead or apparently dead. <i>It was a <b>lifeless</b> party until she arrived.</i>
<b>limp</b>	Lacking in strength or firmness or resilience G.K.Chesterton. <i>A <b>limp</b> gesture as if waving away all desire to know.</i>
<b>motionless</b>	Not moving; stationary. <i>An eagle hung almost <b>motionless</b> close to the ground.</i>
<b>neutral</b>	Having no strongly marked or positive characteristics or features. <i>A <b>neutral</b> personality that made no impression whatever.</i>
<b>sleeping</b>	Lying with head on paws as if sleeping. <i>He looked at the <b>sleeping</b> child.</i>
<b>sluggish</b>	Slow to respond or make progress. <i>The car had been <b>sluggish</b> all morning.</i>
<b>soggy</b>	Dull and lifeless. <i>We squelched through the <b>soggy</b> ground.</i>
<b>spiritless</b>	Lacking courage, vigour, or vivacity. <i>A <b>spiritless</b> reply to criticism.</i>
<b>static</b>	Relating to statics. <i>A <b>static</b> population.</i>
<b>stationary</b>	Not moving or not intended to be moved. <i>A car collided with a <b>stationary</b> vehicle.</i>

<b>still</b>	(of air, water, or the weather) undisturbed by wind, sound, or current; calm and tranquil. <i>Her voice carried on the <b>still</b> air.</i>
<b>stock-still</b>	Absolutely still.
<b>torpid</b>	In a condition of biological rest or suspended animation. <i>A mind grown <b>torpid</b> in old age.</i>
<b>unenergetic</b>	Not inclined to be enterprising. <i>I felt lethargic and <b>unenergetic</b> and going into work was the last thing I wanted to do.</i>
<b>unmoving</b>	Not arousing emotions. <i>This must be the most <b>unmoving</b> performance of Verdi's opera ever recorded.</i>



## Usage Examples of "Inert" as an adjective

- *She lay inert in her bed.*
- *Inert matter.*
- *An inert political system.*
- *She was fat and inert.*



## Associations of "Inert" (30 Words)

<b>abeyant</b>	Inactive but capable of becoming active.
<b><u>apathy</u></b>	Lack of interest, enthusiasm, or concern. <i>Widespread <b>apathy</b> among students.</i>
<b>dilatory</b>	Wasting time. <i>They resorted to <b>dilatory</b> tactics forcing a postponement of peace talks.</i>
<b>dormancy</b>	Quiet and inactive restfulness. <i>The insects are able to enter prolonged states of <b>dormancy</b> allowing them to resist freezing.</i>
<b><u>dormant</u></b>	Inactive but capable of becoming active. <i><b>Dormant</b> butterflies.</i>
<b>idleness</b>	The trait of being idle out of a reluctance to work. <i>We suffered a period of enforced <b>idleness</b>.</i>
<b><u>inaction</u></b>	Lack of action where some is expected or appropriate. <i>Future generations will condemn us for <b>inaction</b>.</i>
<b>inactive</b>	Having no chemical or biological effect. <i>An <b>inactive</b> Russian spy.</i>
<b>inactivity</b>	The state of being inactive; idleness. <i>People are frustrated with government <b>inactivity</b>.</i>
<b>inertia</b>	A disposition to remain inactive or inert. <i>The bureaucratic <b>inertia</b> of the various tiers of government.</i>
<b>latent</b>	(pathology) not presently active. <i>The <b>latent</b> stage of syphilis.</i>
<b><u>lazy</u></b>	Unwilling to work or use energy. <i>A <b>lazy</b> lowland river.</i>
<b><u>lethargy</u></b>	A lack of energy and enthusiasm. <i>A history of weight loss <b>lethargy</b> and fluid retention.</i>
<b><u>lifeless</u></b>	Devoid of living things. <i>After the dance the littered and <b>lifeless</b> ballroom echoed hollowly.</i>
<b>lull</b>	Calm or send to sleep, typically with soothing sounds or movements. <i>The fighting <b>lulled</b> for a moment.</i>
<b><u>motionless</u></b>	Not in physical motion. <i>An eagle hung almost <b>motionless</b> close to the ground.</i>
<b><u>passive</u></b>	The passive voice. <i>The women were portrayed as <b>passive</b> victims.</i>



<b>passivity</b>	The state of inactivity of a metal made unreactive by a thin inert surface layer of oxide. <i>The <b>passivity</b> of television watching.</i>
<b>quiescence</b>	A state of quiet (but possibly temporary) inaction. <i>This method has been shown to induce sleep like <b>quiescence</b> in adult animals.</i>
<b>quiescent</b>	Being quiet or still or inactive. <i>Strikes were headed by groups of workers who had previously been <b>quiescent</b>.</i>
<b><u>retired</u></b>	(of a place) quiet and secluded. <i>A very <b>retired</b> individual.</i>
<b><u>sedentary</u></b>	Requiring sitting or little activity. <i>A <b>sedentary</b> lifestyle spells bad news for hips and thighs.</i>
<b>sluggish</b>	Slow and apathetic. <i>A <b>sluggish</b> market.</i>
<b><u>stagnant</u></b>	Not circulating or flowing. <i>A <b>stagnant</b> ditch.</i>
<b>stagnate</b>	Cause to stagnate. <i>Industry will <b>stagnate</b> if we do not stimulate our economy.</i>
<b><u>stagnation</u></b>	The state of not flowing or moving. <i>Economic growth of less than 1 per year is considered to be economic <b>stagnation</b>.</i>
<b><u>stationary</u></b>	Standing still. <i>The car remained <b>stationary</b> with the engine running.</i>
<b>torpid</b>	(at Oxford University) a series of races for eight-oared rowing boats held in Hilary term. <i><b>Torpid</b> frogs.</i>
<b>unaccustomed</b>	Not familiar with or used to. <i>Many varieties of <b>unaccustomed</b> foods.</i>
<b>unanimated</b>	Not animated or enlivened; dull. <i>He was very dry and <b>unanimated</b>.</i>

