

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)

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

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

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

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

