

Need another word that means the same as “insanity”? Find 21 synonyms and 30 related words for “insanity” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Insanity” are: madness, insaneness, dementia, dementedness, lunacy, instability, loss of reason, folly, foolishness, foolhardiness, idiocy, stupidity, imbecility, asininity, silliness, senselessness, thoughtlessness, irrationality, illogicality, absurdity, ridiculousness

Insanity as a Noun

Definitions of "Insanity" as a noun

According to the [Oxford Dictionary of English](#), “insanity” as a noun can have the following definitions:

- *The state of being seriously mentally ill; madness.*
- *Extreme foolishness or irrationality.*
- *Relatively permanent disorder of the mind.*



Synonyms of "Insanity" as a noun (21 Words)

absurdity	The quality or state of being ridiculous or wildly unreasonable. <i>Duncan laughed at the absurdity of the situation.</i>
asininity	The quality of being asinine; stupidity combined with stubbornness.
dementedness	Mental deterioration of organic or functional origin.
dementia	Mental deterioration of organic or functional origin.
folly	A stupid mistake. <i>An act of sheer folly.</i>
foolhardiness	The trait of giving little thought to danger.
foolishness	A stupid mistake. <i>Adjusting to an insane society is total foolishness.</i>
<u>idiocy</u>	Extremely stupid behaviour. <i>The idiocy of decimating yew forests.</i>
illogicality	Invalid or incorrect reasoning.

imbecility	Retardation more severe than a moron but not as severe as an idiot.
insaneness	Obsolete terms for legal insanity.
<u>instability</u>	Unreliability attributable to being unstable. <i>She showed increasing signs of mental instability.</i>
irrationality	The state of being irrational; lacking powers of understanding. <i>The sheer irrationality of continuing a policy doomed to failure.</i>
loss of reason	Something that is lost.
lunacy	Obsolete terms for legal insanity. <i>Such an economic policy would be sheer lunacy.</i>
<u>madness</u>	The state of having a serious mental illness. <i>Poetry is a sort of divine madness.</i>
<u>ridiculousness</u>	The quality or state of deserving or inviting derision or mockery. <i>I recognize the sheer ridiculousness of being afraid of something the size of my thumbnail.</i>
senselessness	Total lack of meaning or ideas.
silliness	An impulsive scatterbrained manner. <i>Children will love the sheer silliness of the enterprise.</i>
<u>stupidity</u>	A poor ability to understand or to profit from experience. <i>A comedy of infantile stupidity.</i>
thoughtlessness	The trait of not thinking carefully before acting.



Usage Examples of "Insanity" as a noun

- *He suffered from bouts of insanity.*
- *It might be pure insanity to take this loan.*
- *The insanities of our time.*



Associations of "Insanity" (30 Words)

<u>amok</u>	Wildly frenzied and out of control.
berserk	Frenzied as if possessed by a demon. <i>A man went berserk with an arsenal of guns.</i>
certifiable	Capable of being guaranteed or certified. <i>It is possible that he will have to return to hospital but at the moment he is not certifiable.</i>
crazy	(of an angle) appearing absurdly out of place or unlikely. <i>The monument leant at a crazy angle.</i>
<u>daft</u>	Infatuated with. <i>Don t ask such daft questions.</i>
demented	Behaving irrationally due to anger, distress, or excitement. <i>She was demented with worry.</i>

demoniac	Relating to or characteristic of a demon or demons. <i>Demoniac rage.</i>
deranged	Driven insane. <i>A deranged gunman.</i>
disturbed	Having had the normal pattern or functioning disrupted. <i>The treatment of disturbed children.</i>
dumb	Make dumb or unheard silence. <i>He was born deaf dumb and blind.</i>
folly	A theatrical revue with glamorous female performers. <i>Trying to drive through a blizzard is the height of folly.</i>
foolery	Foolish or senseless behavior. <i>We endured his foolery all afternoon.</i>
harebrained	Very foolish. <i>Harebrained ideas.</i>
hubris	Overbearing pride or presumption. <i>The self assured hubris among economists was shaken in the late 1980s.</i>
idiot	A person of subnormal intelligence.
imbecility	A stupid mistake.
indulgence	In the Roman Catholic Church a grant by the Pope of remission of the temporal punishment in purgatory still due for sins after absolution The unrestricted sale of indulgences by pardoners was a widespread abuse during the later Middle Ages. <i>In the Middle Ages the unrestricted sale of indulgences by pardoners became a widespread abuse.</i>
lunacy	Extreme folly or eccentricity. <i>It has been suggested that originality demands a degree of lunacy.</i>
lunatic	An extremely foolish or eccentric person. <i>This lunatic just accelerated out from the side of the road.</i>
mad	Make someone mad. <i>She gets mad when you wake her up so early.</i>
maniac	Wildly disordered. <i>A maniacal frenzy.</i>
mentally	In a manner relating to the mind. <i>Soldiers become physically and mentally exhausted.</i>
nuts	Mad. <i>The way he turns on the television as soon as he walks in drives me nuts.</i>

Someone with a sociopathic personality a person with an antisocial personality disorder psychopath was once widely used but has now been superseded by sociopath.

psychopath

*Playground **psychopaths** will gather around a fight to encourage the combatants.*

raving In a raving manner.
*She d never been a **raving** beauty.*

silly Inspiring scornful pity.
*Don t be a **silly**.*

simpleton A person lacking intelligence or common sense.
*Stop grinning at me like a **simpleton**.*

stupidity The quality of being stupid or unintelligent.
*I can t believe my own **stupidity**.*

unbalanced Being or thrown out of equilibrium.
*This may give an **unbalanced** impression of the competition.*

