

Need another word that means the same as “intermittent”? Find 13 synonyms and 30 related words for “intermittent” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Intermittent” are: sporadic, irregular, fitful, spasmodic, broken, fragmentary, discontinuous, disconnected, isolated, odd, random, patchy, scattered**

## Intermittent as an Adjective

### Definitions of "Intermittent" as an adjective

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

- *Occurring at irregular intervals; not continuous or steady.*
- *Stopping and starting at irregular intervals.*



## Synonyms of "Intermittent" as an adjective (13 Words)

<u><b>broken</b></u>	Having been broken. <i><b>Broken</b> sunshine.</i>
<b>disconnected</b>	Music marked by or composed of disconnected parts or sounds cut short crisply. <i>The iron is <b>disconnected</b>.</i>
<b>discontinuous</b>	Of a function or curve; possessing one or more discontinuities. <i>He received a somewhat haphazard and <b>discontinuous</b> schooling.</i>
<b>fitful</b>	Active or occurring spasmodically or intermittently; not regular or steady. <i>Business was <b>fitful</b>.</i>
<b>fragmentary</b>	Consisting of small disconnected or incomplete parts. <i>Excavations have revealed <b>fragmentary</b> remains of masonry.</i>
<u><b>irregular</b></u>	Not occurring at expected times. <i>Their involvement in <b>irregular</b> financial dealings.</i>
<b>isolated</b>	Remote and separate physically or socially- W.H.Hudson. <i>Little <b>isolated</b> worlds as abruptly disjunct and unexpected as a palm shaded well in the Sahara.</i>
<u><b>odd</b></u>	Denoting a single goal by which one side defeats another, especially where each side scores at least once. <i>Invited 30 <b>odd</b> guests.</i>
<b>patchy</b>	Irregular or uneven in quality, texture, etc. <i><b>Patchy</b> fog.</i>
<b>random</b>	Lacking any definite plan or order or purpose; governed by or depending on chance. <i>A <b>random</b> choice.</i>
<b>scattered</b>	Occurring or distributed over widely spaced and irregular intervals in time or space. <i>The forecast is for <b>scattered</b> showers.</i>
<b>spasmodic</b>	Affected by involuntary jerky muscular contractions; resembling a spasm. <i><b>Spasmodic</b> fighting continued.</i>
<u><b>sporadic</b></u>	Occurring at irregular intervals or only in a few places; scattered or isolated. <i><b>Sporadic</b> fighting broke out.</i>



## Usage Examples of "Intermittent" as an adjective

- *Intermittent rain showers.*
- *Intermittent rain.*

## Associations of "Intermittent" (30 Words)

<b>abnormal</b>	Not normal; not typical or usual or regular or conforming to a norm. <i><b>Abnormal</b> amounts of rain.</i>
<b>acne</b>	An inflammatory disease involving the sebaceous glands of the skin; characterized by papules or pustules or comedones. <i>He was clean shaven with a face that had been ravaged by <b>acne</b> when younger.</i>
<b>anomalous</b>	Deviating from what is standard, normal, or expected. <i>An <b>anomalous</b> situation.</i>

<b>collectable</b>	Able to be collected. <i>The auction attracted professional dealers trading in quality small <b>collectables</b>.</i>
<b>episodic</b>	(of a programme or story) broadcast or published as a series of instalments. <i>The book is <b>episodic</b> and the incidents don't always hang together.</i>
<b>fitful</b>	Intermittently stopping and starting. <i>Business was <b>fitful</b>.</i>
<b>flighty</b>	Guided by whim and fancy. <i><b>Flighty</b> young girls.</i>
<b>hardly</b>	Almost not. <i>She could <b>hardly</b> sit up.</i>
<b>infrequent</b>	Not frequent; not occurring regularly or at short intervals. <i><b>Infrequent</b> outbursts of temper.</i>
<b>infrequently</b>	Not often; rarely. <i>A storage area for <b>infrequently</b> used items.</i>
<b>irregular</b>	A member of an irregular military force. <i>Their involvement in <b>irregular</b> financial dealings.</i>
<b>occasional</b>	Occurring, appearing, or done infrequently and irregularly. <i><b>Occasional</b> headaches.</i>
<b>occasionally</b>	Now and then or here and there. <i>He was arrogant and <b>occasionally</b> callous.</i>
<b>often</b>	Many times at short intervals. <i>He <b>often</b> goes for long walks by himself.</i>
<b>patchy</b>	Irregular or uneven in quality, texture, etc. <i>Your coursework was <b>patchy</b>.</i>
<b>periodic</b>	Relating to the periodic table of the elements. <i>The <b>periodic</b> visits she made to her father.</i>
<b>pimple</b>	A small hard inflamed spot on the skin. <i>I can see the hut down there just a tiny <b>pimple</b>.</i>
<b>rare</b>	Not widely distributed. <i><b>Rare</b> roast beef.</i>
<b>rarefaction</b>	A decrease in the density of something. <i>The cord has undergone <b>rarefaction</b>.</i>
<b>scarce</b>	Scarcely. <i>Would have <b>scarce</b> arrived before she would have found some excuse to leave.</i>



<b><u>seldom</u></b>	Not common; infrequent. <i>Islay is <b>seldom</b> visited by tourists.</i>
<b><u>sometimes</u></b>	Occasionally, rather than all of the time. <i><b>Sometimes</b> I want to do things on my own.</i>
<b><u>sparse</u></b>	Not dense. <i>Information on earnings is <b>sparse</b>.</i>
<b><u>sporadic</u></b>	Occurring at irregular intervals or only in a few places; scattered or isolated. <i><b>Sporadic</b> fighting broke out.</i>
<b>sporadically</b>	In a sporadic manner. <i>He worked <b>sporadically</b> at part time jobs.</i>
<b><u>spotty</u></b>	Lacking consistency. <i>His <b>spotty</b> record on the environment.</i>
<b>teen</b>	Relating to teenagers. <i><b>Teen</b> angst.</i>
<b>uncommon</b>	Marked by an uncommon quality especially superlative or extreme of its kind J R Lowell. <i><b>Uncommon</b> birds.</i>
<b><u>unpredictable</u></b>	Not able to be predicted; changeable. <i>An <b>unpredictable</b> or indeterminable future.</i>
<b>unusual</b>	Not habitually or commonly occurring or done. <i>A scene of <b>unusual</b> beauty.</i>