

Need another word that means the same as “irregular”? Find 58 synonyms and 30 related words for “irregular” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Irregular” are: maverick, unorthodox, unpredictable, atypical, temporary, asymmetrical, uneven, crooked, misshapen, lopsided, contorted, twisted, rough, bumpy, coarse, inconsistent, unsteady, shaky, fitful, patchy, variable, varying, changeable, changing, ever-changing, on-and-off, off-and-on, inconstant, erratic, haphazard, unstable, unsettled, spasmodic, sporadic, episodic, intermittent, occasional, unpunctual, wavering, fluctuating, aperiodic, unsystematic, unmethodical, capricious, contrary to the rules, out of order, improper, incorrect, illegitimate, unscrupulous, unethical, unprofessional, underground, second, guerilla, guerrilla, insurgent, underground fighter**

## Irregular as a Noun

### Definitions of "Irregular" as a noun

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

- *Merchandise that has imperfections; usually sold at a reduced price without the brand name.*
- *An imperfect piece of merchandise sold at a reduced price.*
- *A member of an irregular military force.*
- *A member of an irregular armed force that fights a stronger force by sabotage and harassment.*



## Synonyms of "Irregular" as a noun (5 Words)

### **guerilla**

A member of an irregular armed force that fights a stronger force by sabotage and harassment.

### **guerrilla**

Referring to actions or activities performed in an impromptu way, often without authorization.

**Guerrilla** warfare.

### **insurgent**

A person fighting against a government or invading force; a rebel or revolutionary.

*An attack by armed **insurgents**.*

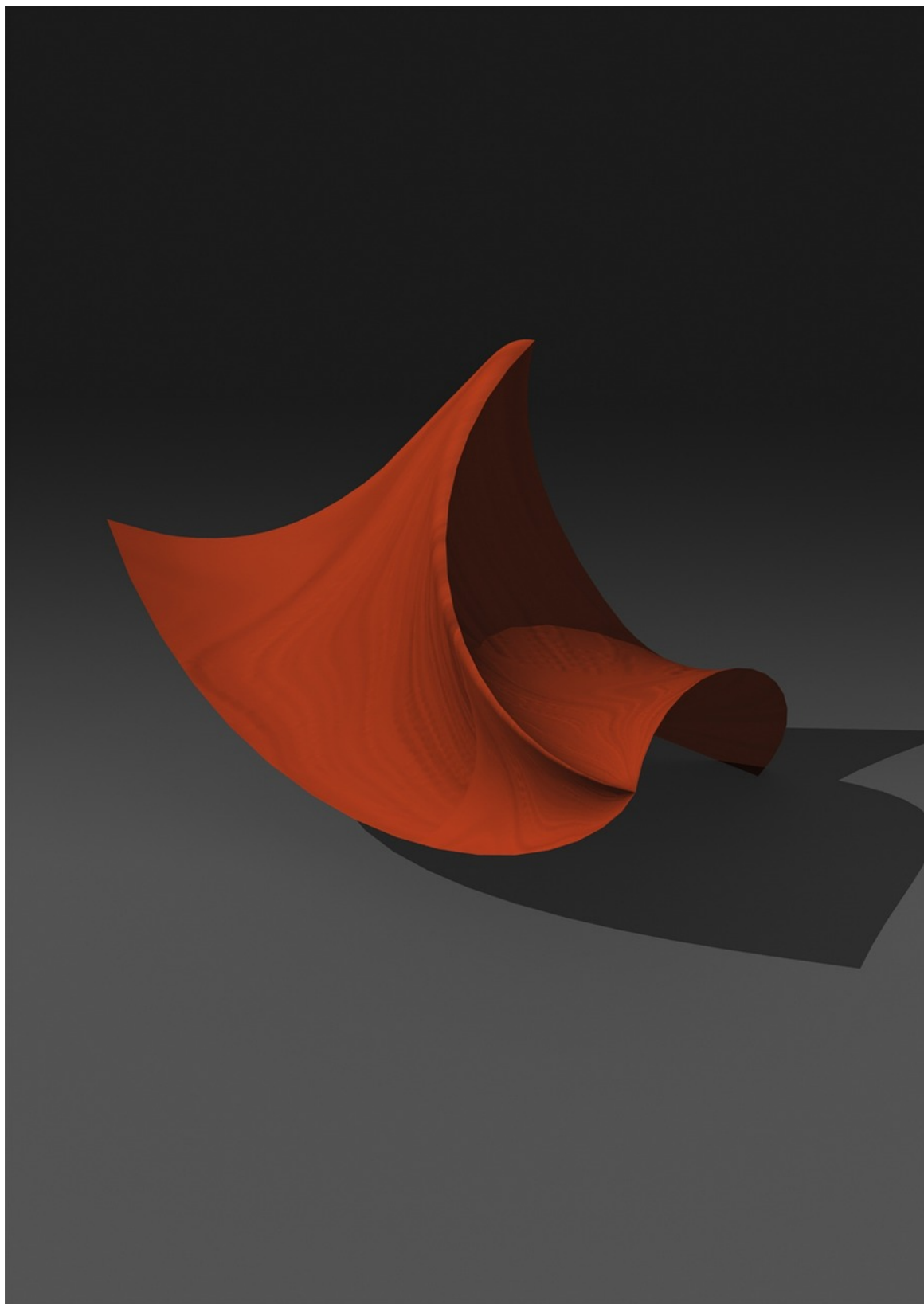
### **second**

The gear that has the second lowest forward gear ratio in the gear box of a motor vehicle.

*The treasure is 2 minutes and 45 **seconds** south of here.*

### **underground fighter**

A secret group organized to overthrow a government or occupation force.



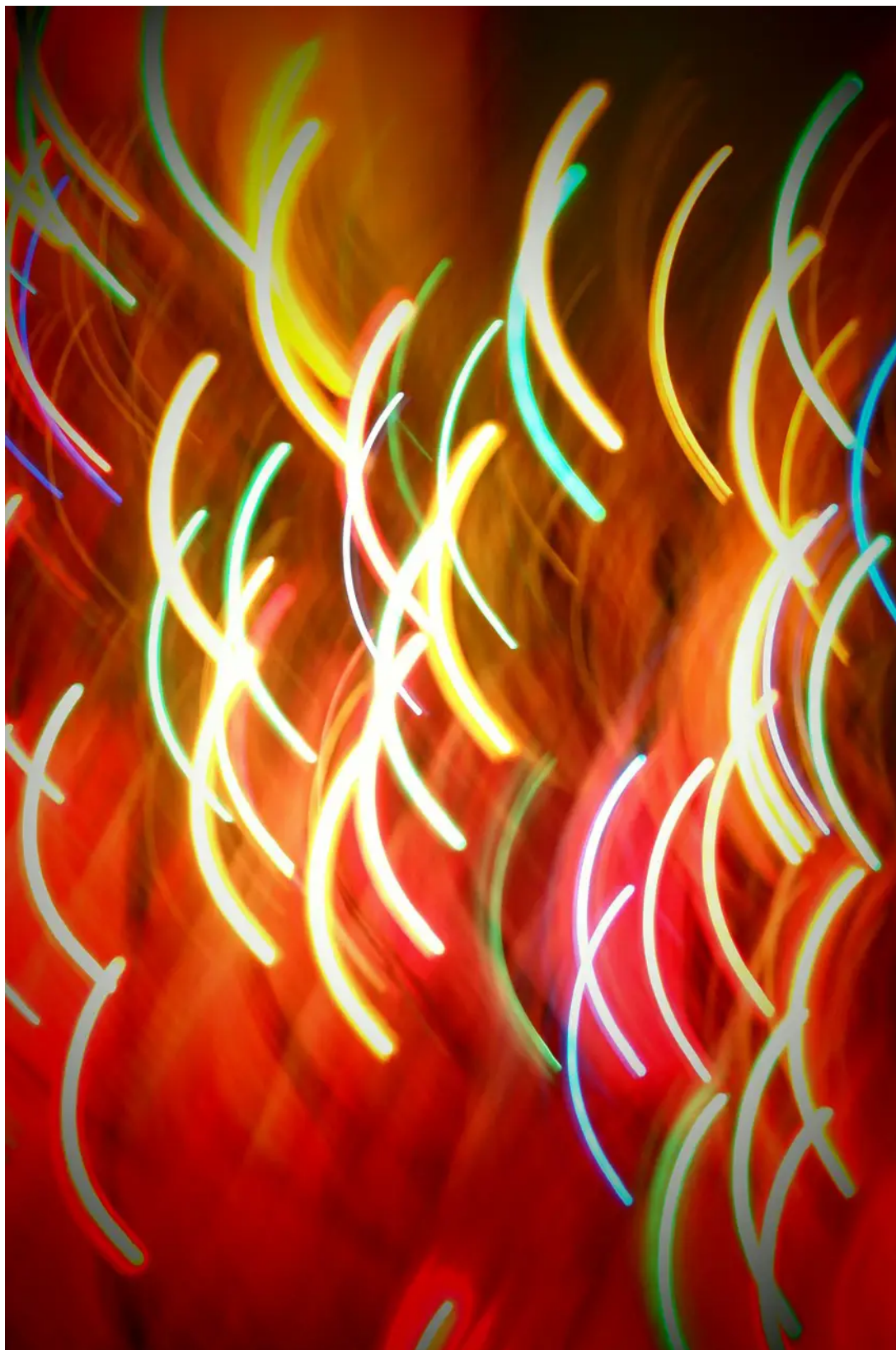
# Irregular as an Adjective

## Definitions of "Irregular" as an adjective

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

- *Falling below the manufacturer's standard.*
- *Not having clear dimensions that can be measured; volume must be determined with the principle of liquid displacement.*
- *Lacking continuity or regularity.*
- *Deviating from normal expectations; somewhat odd, strange, or abnormal.*
- *Not even or balanced in shape or arrangement.*
- *(of a verb or other word) having inflections that do not conform to the usual rules.*
- *Not occurring at expected times.*
- *Contrary to the rules or to that which is normal or established.*
- *Occurring at uneven or varying rates or intervals.*
- *Contrary to rule or accepted order or general practice.*
- *Not occurring at a regular rate or fixed intervals.*
- *(of troops) not belonging to regular or established army units.*
- *Failing to meet a standard of manufacture due to an imperfection.*
- *(of a surface or shape); not level or flat or symmetrical.*
- *(of a flower) having the petals differing in size and shape; zygomorphic.*
- *Independent in behavior or thought.*
- *(used of the military) not belonging to or engaged in by regular army forces.*
- *; not level or flat or symmetrical.*
- *Not belonging to or engaged in by regular army forces.*





## Synonyms of "Irregular" as an adjective (53 Words)

<b>aperiodic</b>	Not recurring at regular intervals. <i><b>Aperiodic</b> fluctuations.</i>
<b>asymmetrical</b>	Having parts or aspects that are not equal or equivalent; unequal. <i><b>Asymmetrical</b> features.</i>
<u><b>atypical</b></u>	Not representative of a type, group, or class. <i>A sample of people who are rather <b>atypical</b> of the target audience.</i>
<u><b>bumpy</b></u>	Covered with or full of bumps. <i>The car jolted on the <b>bumpy</b> road.</i>
<u><b>capricious</b></u>	Changeable. <i>A <b>capricious</b> summer breeze.</i>
<b>changeable</b>	Able to be changed or exchanged. <i><b>Changeable</b> moods.</i>
<b>changing</b>	Marked by continuous change or effective action.
<b>coarse</b>	Relating to the sport of angling for coarse fish. <i>Of what <b>coarse</b> metal ye are molded.</i>
<b>contorted</b>	Twisted (especially as in pain or struggle). <i><b>Contorted</b> limbs.</i>
<b>contrary to the rules</b>	Very opposed in nature or character or purpose.
<u><b>crooked</b></u>	Irregular in shape or outline. <i><b>Crooked</b> country roads.</i>
<b>episodic</b>	Of writing or narration; divided into or composed of episodes. <i><b>Episodic</b> in his affections.</i>
<u><b>erratic</b></u>	Having no fixed course. <i><b>Erratic</b> winds are the bane of a sailor.</i>
<b>ever-changing</b>	Marked by continuous change or effective action.
<b>fitful</b>	Intermittently stopping and starting. <i><b>Fitful</b> bursts of energy.</i>
<b>fluctuating</b>	Having unpredictable ups and downs. <i>A <b>fluctuating</b> level of demand.</i>
<u><b>haphazard</b></u>	Marked by great carelessness. <i>A most <b>haphazard</b> system of record keeping.</i>
<b>illegitimate</b>	Not authorized by the law; not in accordance with accepted standards or rules. <i>An <b>illegitimate</b> seizure of power.</i>

<u>improper</u>	Not in accordance with accepted standards, especially of morality or honesty. <b>Improper</b> banking practices.
<b>inconsistent</b>	Acting at variance with one's own principles or former behaviour. <i>Parents can become <b>inconsistent</b> and lacking in control over their children.</i>
<b>inconstant</b>	Frequently changing; variable or irregular. <i>Swear not by the <b>inconstant</b> moon.</i>
<u>incorrect</u>	(of a word or expression) not agreeing with grammatical principles. <i>An <b>incorrect</b> transcription.</i>
<u>intermittent</u>	Occurring at irregular intervals; not continuous or steady. <b>Intermittent</b> rain showers.
<b>lopsided</b>	Turned or twisted toward one side. <i>A <b>lopsided</b> grin.</i>
<b>maverick</b>	Unorthodox. <b>Maverick</b> politicians.
<b>misshapen</b>	So badly formed or out of shape as to be ugly. <b>Misshapen</b> old fingers.
<b>occasional</b>	(of a literary composition, speech, religious service, etc.) produced on or intended for a special occasion. <i>An <b>occasional</b> worker.</i>
<b>off-and-on</b>	Intermittently stopping and starting.
<b>on-and-off</b>	No longer planned or scheduled.
<b>out of order</b>	Excluded from use or mention.
<b>patchy</b>	Irregular or uneven in quality, texture, etc. <i>My knowledge of Egyptology is <b>patchy</b>.</i>
<b>rough</b>	(of stationery) used for making preliminary notes. <i>The lifeboat crew braved <b>rough</b> seas to rescue a couple.</i>
<u>shaky</u>	Shaking or trembling. <i>A cracked dangerously <b>shaky</b> table.</i>
<b>spasmodic</b>	Occurring in spells and often abruptly. <i>His body made a <b>spasmodic</b> jerk.</i>
<u>sporadic</u>	Occurring at irregular intervals or only in a few places; scattered or isolated. <b>Sporadic</b> fighting broke out.
<b>temporary</b>	Not permanent; not lasting. <b>Temporary</b> housing.

twisted

(of a personality or a way of thinking) unpleasantly or unhealthily abnormal; warped.

*Many of the facts seemed **twisted** out of any semblance to reality.*

underground

Relating to or denoting a group or movement seeking to explore alternative forms of lifestyle or artistic expression; radical and experimental.

*An **underground** car park.*

**unethical**

Not morally correct.

***Unethical** business practices.*

uneven

Not fairly matched as opponents.

*An **uneven** gait.*

**unmethodical**

Not orderly and systematic.

*His inability to locate the source of the trouble resulted in **unmethodical** chaos.*

**unorthodox**

Breaking with convention or tradition.

*He frequently upset other scholars with his **unorthodox** views.*

unpredictable

Not able to be predicted; changeable.

*An **unpredictable** or indeterminable future.*

unprofessional

Below or contrary to the standards expected in a particular profession.

*Was censured for **unprofessional** conduct.*

**unpunctual**

Not happening or doing something at the agreed or proper time.

*The trains into Tbilisi were notoriously **unpunctual**.*

unscrupulous

Having or showing no moral principles; not honest or fair.

***Unscrupulous** politicians who would be happy to sell their country in order to gain power.*

**unsettled**

Not settled or established.

*An **unsettled** issue.*

unstable

Subject to change; variable.

*His rather **unstable** religious convictions.*

unsteady

Not firmly or solidly positioned.

*Nathan pushed the mug into her **unsteady** hand.*

**unsystematic**

Not done or acting according to a fixed plan or system; unmethodical.

***Unsystematic** and fragmentary records.*

**variable**

(of a quantity) able to assume different numerical values.

*Awards can be for **variable** amounts.*



varying

Marked by diversity or difference.

**Varying** degrees of success.

**wavering**

Moving in a quivering way; flickering.

A **wavering** flame.



## Usage Examples of "Irregular" as an adjective

- *Irregular troops.*
- *Irregular hiring practices.*
- *His strong, irregular features.*
- *An irregular heartbeat.*
- *Their involvement in irregular financial dealings.*
- *An irregular pair of jeans.*
- *Highly irregular behavior.*



- *An irregular worker.*
- *Irregular warfare.*
- *Walking was difficult on the irregular cobblestoned surface.*
- *She led a somewhat irregular private life.*



## Associations of "Irregular" (30 Words)

<b>abnormal</b>	Deviating from what is normal or usual, typically in a way that is undesirable or worrying. <i><b>Abnormal</b> circumstances.</i>
<b>anomalous</b>	Deviating from what is standard, normal, or expected. <i>Advanced forms of life may be <b>anomalous</b> in the universe.</i>
<b>arrhythmic</b>	Relating to or suffering from cardiac arrhythmia. <i>The <b>arrhythmic</b> phrasing of the music.</i>
<b>astigmatism</b>	(optics) defect in an optical system in which light rays from a single point fail to converge in a single focal point.

<b>asymmetric</b>	Characterized by asymmetry in the spatial arrangement or placement of parts or components.
<b>asymmetrical</b>	Having parts that fail to correspond to one another in shape, size, or arrangement; lacking symmetry. <i><b>Asymmetrical</b> features.</i>
<b>asymmetry</b>	A lack of symmetry. <i>There was an <b>asymmetry</b> between the right and left ears.</i>
<b>atypical</b>	Not representative of a group, class, or type. <i>These days large families are <b>atypical</b>.</i>
<b>episodic</b>	Limited in duration to a single episode. <i>An <b>episodic</b> narrative.</i>
<b>erratic</b>	Having no fixed course. <i><b>Erratic</b> behavior.</i>
<b>fickle</b>	Changing frequently, especially as regards one's loyalties or affections. <i>Celebs trying to appeal to an increasingly <b>fickle</b> public.</i>
<b>imbalance</b>	(mathematics) a lack of symmetry. <i>A hormonal <b>imbalance</b>.</i>
<b>infrequent</b>	Not frequent; not occurring regularly or at short intervals. <i><b>Infrequent</b> outbursts of temper.</i>
<b>intermittent</b>	Stopping and starting at irregular intervals. <i><b>Intermittent</b> rain showers.</i>
<b>irregularity</b>	The state or quality of being irregular. <i>The <b>irregularity</b> of his breathing.</i>
<b>lopsided</b>	Turned or twisted toward one side- G.K.Chesterton. <i>A <b>lopsided</b> grin.</i>
<b>myopia</b>	Lack of foresight or intellectual insight. <i>The company's corporate <b>myopia</b>.</i>
<b>myopic</b>	Unable to see distant objects clearly. <i>Most <b>myopic</b> children can be fitted with glasses to correct their vision.</i>
<b>occasional</b>	Employed for a particular occasion or on an irregular basis. <i>An <b>occasional</b> worker.</i>
<b>patchy</b>	Existing or happening in small, isolated areas. <i>My knowledge of Egyptology is <b>patchy</b>.</i>
<b>quicksilver</b>	Liable to sudden unpredictable change. <i>A <b>quicksilver</b> character cool and willful at one moment utterly fragile the next.</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>	Occasionally or at irregular intervals. <i>The comedy is only <b>sporadically</b> funny.</i>
<b><u>spotty</u></b>	Of uneven quality; patchy. <i>His <b>spotty</b> record on the environment.</i>
<b>unbalance</b>	A state of mental disturbance and disorientation. <i>This sharing can often <b>unbalance</b> even the closest of relationships.</i>
<b>uncommon</b>	Marked by an uncommon quality especially superlative or extreme of its kind. <i>He was <b>uncommon</b> afraid.</i>
<b><u>uneven</u></b>	(of a contest) not equally balanced. <i>An <b>uneven</b> color.</i>
<b><u>unpredictable</u></b>	Not occurring at a regular rate or fixed intervals. <i>The <b>unpredictable</b> weather of the Scottish islands.</i>
<b><u>unsteady</u></b>	Liable to fall or shake; not steady in position. <i>Climbing carefully up the <b>unsteady</b> ladder.</i>
<b>unusual</b>	Remarkable or interesting because different from or better than others. <i>A man of <b>unusual</b> ability.</i>



