

Need another word that means the same as “minor”? Find 27 synonyms and 30 related words for “minor” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Minor” are: nonaged, underage, modest, pocket-size, pocket-sized, small, small-scale, venial, slight, little known, unknown, lesser, junior, younger, child, fry, kid, nestling, nipper, shaver, small fry, tiddler, tike, tyke, youngster, infant, youth

Minor as a Noun

Definitions of "Minor" as a noun

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

- *A minor key, interval, or scale.*
- *A small drab moth which has purplish caterpillars that feed on grass.*
- *A person under the age of full legal responsibility.*
- *A student's subsidiary subject or course.*
- *A minor term or premise.*
- *A young person of either sex.*
- *The minor leagues in baseball or American football.*
- *A system of change-ringing using six bells.*



Synonyms of "Minor" as a noun (13 Words)

child	An immature childish person. <i>The children of Israel.</i>
fry	French fries; chips. <i>Would you like a fry in the morning.</i>
infant	A schoolchild between the ages of about four and eight. <i>Healthy infants.</i>
kid	English dramatist (1558-1594). <i>They re just kids.</i>
nestling	A young person of either sex. <i>Buntings their throats bulging with food for hungry nestlings.</i>
nipper	Pliers, pincers, or a similar tool for gripping or cutting. <i>Using a pair of nippers you can chip away at the tiles.</i>
shaver	An electric razor. <i>Little shavers and their older brothers.</i>
small fry	The slender part of the back.
tiddler	A young person of either sex. <i>Tiddler is a British term for youngster.</i>
tike	A crude uncouth ill-bred person lacking culture or refinement.
tyke	An unpleasant or coarse man. <i>Tyke hockey.</i>

youngster A young person of either sex.
*Tiddler is a British term for **youngster**.*

youth An early period of development.
*He was attacked by a gang of **youths**.*



Usage Examples of "Minor" as a noun

- *A minor in American Indian studies.*
- *A bid of two no trumps shows strength in the minors.*
- *Salinas was one of six teams in the minors.*
- *The court would take account of the minor's wishes.*



Minor as an Adjective

Definitions of "Minor" as an adjective

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

- *Inferior in number or size or amount.*
- *Of a scale or mode.*
- *Relatively moderate, limited, or small.*
- *Lesser in importance, seriousness, or significance.*
- *Limited in size or scope.*
- *Of your secondary field of academic concentration or specialization.*
- *(of a key or mode) based on a minor scale and tending to produce a sad or pensive effect.*
- *(of a term) occurring as the subject of the conclusion of a categorical syllogism.*

- *(of a scale or mode) having half steps between the second and third degrees, and (usually) the fifth and sixth degrees, and the seventh and eighth degrees.*
- *(of an interval) characteristic of a minor scale and less by a semitone than the equivalent major interval.*
- *(of a premise) containing the minor term in a categorical syllogism.*
- *(of a scale) having intervals of a semitone between the second and third degrees, and (usually) the fifth and sixth, and the seventh and eighth.*
- *Warranting only temporal punishment.*
- *Not of legal age.*
- *Of lesser importance or stature or rank.*
- *(following a surname in public schools) indicating the younger of two brothers.*
- *Of the younger of two boys with the same family name.*
- *Lesser in scope or effect.*
- *Of lesser seriousness or danger.*



Synonyms of "Minor" as an adjective (14 Words)

junior	For or denoting schoolchildren between the ages of about 7 and 11. <i>The junior class.</i>
<u>lesser</u>	Used in names of animals and plants which are smaller than similar kinds e g lesser spotted woodpecker lesser celandine. <i>You re looking down your nose at us lesser mortals.</i>
little known	Faint.
<u>modest</u>	Not large but sufficient in size or amount. <i>A modest man of the people.</i>
nonaged	Not of legal age.
pocket-size	Small enough to be carried in a garment pocket.
pocket-sized	Limited in size or scope.
slight	Small in quantity or degree; not much or almost none or (with `a') at least some. <i>A slight romantic comedy.</i>
small	Have fine or very small constituent particles. <i>At dinner some of the smaller neighbours were invited.</i>
small-scale	Created or drawn on a small scale.
underage	Not of legal age. <i>I m underage I m not allowed in pubs.</i>
unknown	Being or having an unknown or unnamed source. <i>An unknown island.</i>
venial	Warranting only temporal punishment. <i>A venial error.</i>
younger	Used of the younger of two persons of the same name especially used to distinguish a son from his father.



Usage Examples of "Minor" as an adjective

- *A minor share of the profits.*
- *The minor keys.*
- *Smith minor.*
- *The E flat clarinet sounds a minor third higher than the written notes.*
- *A minor poet.*
- *She requested a number of minor alterations.*
- *Minor back roads.*
- *Jones minor.*
- *A minor official.*
- *Concerto in A minor.*
- *Had a minor part in the play.*
- *Many of these hardy adventurers were minor noblemen.*
- *In B flat minor.*
- *Minor children.*



Associations of "Minor" (30 Words)

[few](#)

A quantifier that can be used with count nouns and is often preceded by 'a'; a small but indefinite number.

*A world that increasingly belongs to the **few**.*

[inconsequential](#)

Lacking worth or importance.

*His work seems trivial and **inconsequential**.*

inconsiderable

Too small or unimportant to merit attention.

*A not **inconsiderable** artist.*

[insignificant](#)

Meaningless.

*A minor **insignificant** bureaucrat.*

insubstantial

Not having physical existence.

*Vinyl siding has become the standard bearer for cheap **insubstantial** construction.*

little	Small and of little importance. <i>Gave it little thought.</i>
marginal	(of costs or benefits) relating to or resulting from small or unit changes. <i>A marginal offside decision.</i>
meanness	Unkindness, spitefulness, or unfairness. <i>He is also callous with a streak of meanness.</i>
mini	Denoting a miniature version of something. <i>A leather mini.</i>
miniature	A picture or decorated letter in an illuminated manuscript. <i>Miniatures for your rock garden.</i>
minimal	Characterized by simplicity and lack of adornment or decoration. <i>Her grades were minimal.</i>
minimum	The least possible. <i>Keep costs to a minimum.</i>
negligible	Not worth considering. <i>He said that the risks were negligible.</i>
nitpick	Engage in fussy or pedantic fault-finding. <i>The state is nitpicking about minor administrative matters.</i>
nominal	(of a price or charge) very small; far below the real value or cost. <i>Nominal interest rates.</i>
paltry	Petty; trivial. <i>Naval glory struck him as paltry.</i>
peccadillo	A petty misdeed. <i>The sexual peccadilloes of celebrities aren't necessarily news.</i>
pettiness	The quality of being unimportant and petty or frivolous. <i>These awesome moments lift us above the pettiness of the world.</i>
petty	(informal) small and of little importance. <i>Limited to petty enterprises.</i>
picayune	Of little value or significance; petty. <i>The picayune squabbling of party politicians.</i>
piddling	Small and of little importance. <i>Piddling little questions.</i>
secondary	A secondary feather. <i>A secondary infection.</i>
slight	Small in quantity or degree; not much or almost none or (with `a') at least some. <i>There's slight chance that it will work.</i>

small	On a small scale. <i>A rather small amount of money.</i>
<u>subordinate</u>	Make subordinate dependent or subservient. <i>He was mild mannered especially with his subordinates.</i>
<u>tenuous</u>	Very slender or fine; insubstantial. <i>A tenuous cloud.</i>
trifling	Unimportant or trivial. <i>A trifling matter.</i>
<u>trivial</u>	Concerned with trivialities. <i>Only trivial objections.</i>
undersized	Of less than the usual size. <i>The undersized cubs may not survive the winter.</i>
<u>unimportant</u>	Not important. <i>The question seems unimportant.</i>

