

Need another word that means the same as “misunderstanding”? Find 22 synonyms and 30 related words for “misunderstanding” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Misunderstanding” are: misapprehension, mistake, misinterpretation, mistaking, misconstruction, misreading, misconception, disagreement, difference, difference of opinion, variance, clash of views, dispute, disputation, quarrel, argument, altercation, squabble, wrangle, row, clash, conflict

Misunderstanding as a Noun

Definitions of "Misunderstanding" as a noun

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

- *Putting the wrong interpretation on.*
- *A failure to understand something correctly.*
- *A disagreement or quarrel.*
- *An understanding of something that is not correct.*



Synonyms of "Misunderstanding" as a noun (22 Words)

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| altercation | Noisy quarrel. <i>I had an altercation with the ticket collector.</i> |
| argument | An independent variable associated with a function or proposition and determining its value For example in the expression $y = F(x)$ the arguments of the function F are x and x and the value is y . <i>It was a strong argument that his hypothesis was true.</i> |
| clash | A minor short-term fight. <i>A clash of tweeds and a striped shirt.</i> |
| clash of views | A state of conflict between colors. |
| conflict | A prolonged armed struggle. <i>There was a conflict between his business and domestic life.</i> |
| difference | A significant change. <i>The differences between men and women.</i> |
| difference of opinion | A significant change. |

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| <u>disagreement</u> | Lack of consistency or correspondence. <i>Disagreements between parents and adolescents.</i> |
| disputation | The formal presentation of a stated proposition and the opposition to it (usually followed by a vote). <i>Promoting consensus rather than disputation.</i> |
| dispute | A disagreement or argument about something important. <i>An industrial dispute.</i> |
| misapprehension | An understanding of something that is not correct. <i>People tried to exchange the vouchers under the misapprehension that they were book tokens.</i> |
| <u>misconception</u> | A view or opinion that is incorrect because based on faulty thinking or understanding. <i>Public misconceptions about antibiotic use.</i> |
| misconstruction | The action of misconstruing words or actions; misinterpretation. <i>I used a phrase which may be open to misconstruction.</i> |
| misinterpretation | The action of interpreting something wrongly. <i>His misinterpretation of the question caused his error.</i> |
| misreading | Misinterpretation caused by inaccurate reading. |
| mistake | A wrong action attributable to bad judgment or ignorance or inattention. <i>Coming here was a mistake.</i> |
| mistaking | Part of a statement that is not correct. <i>There was no mistaking her meaning.</i> |
| <u>quarrel</u> | An arrow that is shot from a crossbow; has a head with four edges. <i>She made the mistake of picking a quarrel with John.</i> |
| row | The act of rowing as a sport. <i>A row of chairs.</i> |
| squabble | A quarrel about petty points. <i>Family squabbles.</i> |
| <u>variance</u> | The state or fact of disagreeing or quarrelling. <i>The stylistic variances of classical dance.</i> |
| <u>wrangle</u> | An instance of intense argument (as in bargaining). <i>An insurance wrangle is holding up compensation payments.</i> |



Usage Examples of "Misunderstanding" as a noun

- *He left the army after a slight misunderstanding with his commanding officer.*
- *A misunderstanding of the government's plans.*
- *There must have been some kind of misunderstanding.*
- *There must be some misunderstanding-I don't have a sister.*



Associations of "Misunderstanding" (30 Words)

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| blunder | Commit a faux pas or a fault or make a serious mistake. <i>He blundered his stupid ideas.</i> |
| confusion | An act causing a disorderly combination of elements with identities lost and distinctions blended. <i>Most of the errors are reasonable confusions between similar words.</i> |
| defect | A failing or deficiency. <i>Genetic defects.</i> |
| <u>error</u> | A mistake. <i>Goods dispatched to your branch in error.</i> |
| failing | Below acceptable in performance. <i>He was quick to point out his wife s failings.</i> |
| <u>fallacy</u> | Faulty reasoning. <i>The potential for fallacy which lies behind the notion of self esteem.</i> |
| fallibility | The likelihood of making errors. <i>Technology is not a cure for human fallibility.</i> |
| fallible | Capable of making mistakes or being wrong. <i>Experts can be fallible.</i> |
| <u>fault</u> | Of a rock formation be broken by a fault or faults. <i>I could understand his English in spite of his grammatical faults.</i> |
| <u>faulty</u> | Having a defect. <i>Faulty logic.</i> |
| flaw | Add a flaw or blemish to make imperfect or defective. <i>There were fundamental flaws in the case for reforming local government.</i> |
| <u>flawed</u> | (of a person) having a weakness in character. <i>A flawed diamond.</i> |
| gaffe | An unintentional act or remark causing embarrassment to its originator; a blunder. <i>In my first few months at work I made some real gaffes.</i> |
| misapprehend | Fail to understand (a person or their words) correctly; misinterpret. <i>They seemed not to mind that their more profound utterances were misapprehended as self help maxims.</i> |
| misapprehension | An understanding of something that is not correct. <i>People tried to exchange the vouchers under the misapprehension that they were book tokens.</i> |

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| misconceive | Judge or plan badly, typically on the basis of faulty understanding. <i>Criticism of the trade surplus in Washington is misconceived.</i> |
| <u>misconception</u> | A view or opinion that is incorrect because based on faulty thinking or understanding. <i>Public misconceptions about antibiotic use.</i> |
| misconstrue | Interpret (a person's words or actions) wrongly. <i>She misconstrued my remarks.</i> |
| miscount | Count wrongly. <i>In some instances the votes were deliberately miscounted.</i> |
| misguide | Mislead. <i>A long survey that can only baffle and misguide the general reader.</i> |
| misinterpret | Interpret falsely. <i>Don't misinterpret my comments as criticism.</i> |
| mislead | Give false or misleading information to. <i>The government misled the public about the road's environmental impact.</i> |
| misread | Read or interpret wrongly. <i>I misread Hamlet all my life.</i> |
| mistake | To make a mistake or be incorrect. <i>Don't mistake her for her twin sister.</i> |
| misunderstand | Fail to interpret or understand the words or actions of (someone) correctly. <i>Don't misunderstand me I'm not implying she should be working.</i> |
| <u>misunderstood</u> | Incorrectly interpreted or understood. <i>Hypnotherapy is a very misunderstood subject.</i> |
| oversight | Management by overseeing the performance or operation of a person or group. <i>He had simply missed Parsons out by an oversight.</i> |
| solecism | A socially awkward or tactless act. |
| unforced | Not brought about by coercion or force. <i>A voice with a pleasingly unforced quality.</i> |
| wrong | Treat unjustly do wrong to. <i>I was wrong about him being on the yacht that evening.</i> |