

Need another word that means the same as “naive”? Find 24 synonyms and 30 related words for “naive” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Naive” are: naif, unenlightened, uninstructed, primitive, uninitiate, uninitiated, innocent, unsophisticated, artless, ingenuous, inexperienced, guileless, unworldly, childlike, trusting, trustful, dewy-eyed, starry-eyed, wide-eyed, fond, simple, natural, unaffected, unpretentious**

## Naive as an Adjective

### Definitions of "Naive" as an adjective

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

- *Of or created by one without formal training; simple or naive in style.*
- *Of or denoting art produced in a style which deliberately rejects sophisticated artistic techniques and has a bold directness resembling a child's work, typically in bright colours with little or no perspective.*
- *Inexperienced.*
- *Not initiated; deficient in relevant experience.*
- *Marked by or showing unaffected simplicity and lack of guile or worldly experience.*
- *(of a person) natural and unaffected; innocent.*
- *Lacking information or instruction.*
- *(of a person or action) showing a lack of experience, wisdom, or judgement.*



## Synonyms of "Naive" as an adjective (24 Words)

<b>artless</b>	Without guile or deception. <i><b>Artless</b> sincerity.</i>
<b><u>childlike</u></b>	Exhibiting childlike simplicity and credulity. <i><b>Childlike</b> trust.</i>
<b>dewy-eyed</b>	Exhibiting childlike simplicity and credulity.
<b><u>fond</u></b>	(of a hope or belief) foolishly optimistic; naive. <i>Hopelessly spoiled by a <b>fond</b> mother.</i>
<b>guileless</b>	Devoid of guile; innocent and without deception. <i>His face once so open and <b>guileless</b>.</i>
<b>inexperienced</b>	Having little knowledge or experience of a particular thing. <i>He is still relatively young and <b>inexperienced</b>.</i>
<b>ingenuous</b>	Lacking in sophistication or worldliness. <i>His <b>ingenuous</b> explanation that he would not have burned the church if he had not thought the bishop was in it.</i>
<b>innocent</b>	(used of things) lacking sense or awareness. <i>Fine <b>innocent</b> weather.</i>
<b>naif</b>	Marked by or showing unaffected simplicity and lack of guile or worldly experience.
<b>natural</b>	Relating to earthly human or physical nature as distinct from the spiritual or supernatural realm. <i>B <b>natural</b>.</i>
<b><u>primitive</u></b>	Used of preliterate or tribal or nonindustrial societies. <i><b>Primitive</b> societies.</i>
<b>simple</b>	Easy and not involved or complicated. <i><b>Simple</b> mechanisms.</i>
<b>starry-eyed</b>	Unrealistically or naively optimistic.
<b>trustful</b>	Inclined to believe or confide readily; full of trust. <i>A <b>trustful</b> acceptance of authority.</i>
<b>trusting</b>	Inclined to believe or confide readily; full of trust. <i>It is foolish to be too <b>trusting</b> of other people.</i>
<b><u>unaffected</u></b>	Emotionally unmoved. <i>Fibers remained apparently <b>unaffected</b> by the treatment.</i>
<b>unenlightened</b>	Not having or showing an enlightened outlook. <i><b>Unenlightened</b> thinking.</i>

<b>uninitiate</b>	Not initiated; deficient in relevant experience. <i>It seemed a bizarre ceremony to <b>uninitiated</b> western eyes.</i>
<b>uninitiated</b>	Not initiated; deficient in relevant experience. <i>The discussion wasn't easy to follow for the <b>uninitiated</b>.</i>
<b>uninstructed</b>	(of behaviour) not acquired by teaching; natural or spontaneous. <i>Students are <b>uninstructed</b> in the use of books.</i>
<b>unpretentious</b>	Exhibiting restrained good taste. <i>In spite of his fame he was thoroughly <b>unpretentious</b>.</i>
<b><u>unsophisticated</u></b>	Lacking complexity. <i>Either too <b>unsophisticated</b> or too honest to promise more than he could deliver.</i>
<b>unworldly</b>	Not wise in the ways of the world. <i>This helplessly <b>unworldly</b> woman.</i>
<b>wide-eyed</b>	Fully open or extended.



## Usage Examples of "Naive" as an adjective

- *Andy had a sweet, naive look when he smiled.*
- *I was politically naive.*
- *This naive simple creature with wide friendly eyes so eager to believe appearances.*
- *A teenager's naive ignorance of life.*
- *He took part in the experiment as a naive subject.*
- *The naive assumption that things can only get better.*
- *The rather naive young man had been totally misled.*



## Associations of "Naive" (30 Words)

<b>artless</b>	Showing lack of art. <i>An <b>artless</b> literary masterpiece.</i>
<b>bumpkin</b>	An unsophisticated or socially awkward person from the countryside. <i>She thought Tom a bit of a country <b>bumpkin</b>.</i>
<u><a href="#">candid</a></u>	Openly straightforward and direct without reserve or secretiveness. <i>A <b>candid</b> interview.</i>
<b>childish</b>	Of, like, or appropriate to a child. <i><b>Childish</b> tantrums.</i>
<u><a href="#">childlike</a></u>	Exhibiting childlike simplicity and credulity. <i>She speaks with a <b>childlike</b> directness.</i>
<u><a href="#">clarity</a></u>	The quality of clear water. <i>The crystal <b>clarity</b> of water.</i>
<b>credulous</b>	Having or showing too great a readiness to believe things. <i>A ceremony staged for <b>credulous</b> tourists.</i>
<b>downright</b>	Thoroughgoing. <i>It s a <b>downright</b> disgrace.</i>
<b>frank</b>	A smooth-textured sausage of minced beef or pork usually smoked; often served on a bread roll. <i>Kate looked at Sam with <b>frank</b> admiration.</i>
<u><a href="#">girl</a></u>	A person s girlfriend. <i>Mrs Smith was just one of the <b>girls</b>.</i>
<b>guileless</b>	Free of deceit. <i>His face once so open and <b>guileless</b>.</i>
<u><a href="#">gullible</a></u>	Easily tricked because of being too trusting. <i>An attempt to persuade a <b>gullible</b> public to spend their money.</i>
<u><a href="#">hoax</a></u>	Subject to a playful hoax or joke. <i>A <b>hoax</b> 999 call.</i>
<u><a href="#">honest</a></u>	Worthy of being depended on. <i>An <b>honest</b> wage.</i>
<u><a href="#">honesty</a></u>	Referring to or using a way of charging for goods or services that relies on the customers to leave money in an unattended receptacle even though there is no one to collect their payments. <i>There s a well stocked <b>honesty</b> bar which includes local wine.</i>
<u><a href="#">immature</a></u>	Not yet having developed feathers. <i>Many of the fish caught are <b>immature</b>.</i>



<b><u>impressionable</u></b>	Easily influenced. <i>An <b>impressionable</b> age.</i>
<b>inexperienced</b>	Lacking practical experience or training. <i>An <b>inexperienced</b> driver.</i>
<b>infantile</b>	Of or occurring among babies or very young children. <i><b>Infantile</b> behavior.</i>
<b>ingenuie</b>	An actress who specializes in playing the role of an artless innocent young girl.
<b>ingenuous</b>	(of a person or action) innocent and unsuspecting. <i>She s staggeringly <b>ingenuous</b> or possibly very cunning indeed.</i>
<b>innocence</b>	The state of being unsullied by sin or moral wrong; lacking a knowledge of evil. <i>The healthy bloom in her cheeks gave her an aura of <b>innocence</b>.</i>
<b>naivete</b>	Innocence or unsophistication. <i>His greatest fault was his political naïvet.</i>
<b>out-and-out</b>	Being out or having grown cold.
<b>simple</b>	Of very low intelligence. <i>A <b>simple</b> white blouse.</i>
<b><u>sincere</u></b>	Free from pretence or deceit; proceeding from genuine feelings. <i>An entirely <b>sincere</b> and cruel tyrant.</i>
<b>suggestible</b>	Susceptible or responsive to suggestion. <i>A <b>suggestible</b> client would comply.</i>
<b>trusting</b>	Showing or tending to have a belief in a person's honesty or sincerity; not suspicious. <i>A shy and <b>trusting</b> child.</i>
<b><u>unsophisticated</u></b>	Not wise in the ways of the world. <i>An <b>unsophisticated</b> machine.</i>
<b>yokel</b>	An uneducated and unsophisticated person from the countryside.

