

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

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The synonyms of “Nonsense” are: falderol, folderal, frill, gimcrack, gimcrackery, trumpery, bunk, hokum, meaninglessness, nonsensicality, balderdash, gibberish, claptrap, blarney, guff, blather, blether, mischief, mischievousness, naughtiness, badness, nonsensical

Nonsense as a Noun

Definitions of "Nonsense" as a noun

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

- *Used to show strong disagreement.*
- *Spoken or written words that have no meaning or make no sense.*
- *A message that seems to convey no meaning.*
- *Something ridiculously impractical or ill-advised.*
- *Foolish or unacceptable behaviour.*
- *Ornamental objects of no great value.*
- *Denoting verse or other writing intended to be amusing by virtue of its absurd or whimsical language.*



Synonyms of "Nonsense" as a noun (21 Words)

badness	Used of the degree of something undesirable e.g. pain or weather. <i>The badness of the writing is astonishing.</i>
balderdash	Trivial nonsense. <i>She dismissed talk of plots as balderdash.</i>
blarney	Amusing and harmless nonsense. <i>It took all my Irish blarney to keep us out of court.</i>
blather	Long-winded talk with no real substance. <i>All the blather coming out of Washington about crime.</i>
blether	Long-winded talk with no real substance. <i>Some stupid blether about puns surrounding the Beatles.</i>
bunk	A rough bed (as at a campsite).
claptrap	Absurd or nonsensical talk or ideas. <i>Such sentiments are just pious claptrap.</i>
falderol	Ornamental objects of no great value.
folderal	Ornamental objects of no great value.
frill	A thing resembling a frill in appearance or function. <i>Tiny frills of foam glistened white on the sea.</i>
gibberish	Unintelligible or meaningless speech or writing; nonsense. <i>He talks gibberish.</i>
gimcrack	Ornamental objects of no great value.
gimcrackery	Ornamental objects of no great value.
guff	An unpleasant smell.
hokum	A message that seems to convey no meaning. <i>Classic B movie hokum.</i>
meaninglessness	The quality of having no value or significance. <i>He resented the meaninglessness of the tasks they assigned him.</i>
mischief	A wrong or hardship that a statute is designed to remove or for which the common law affords a remedy. <i>The statute was passed to prevent a mischief in respect of which the defendant was already under a duty at common law.</i>
mischievousness	Reckless or malicious behavior that causes discomfort or annoyance in others.
naughtiness	An attribute of mischievous children.
nonsensicality	A message that seems to convey no meaning.

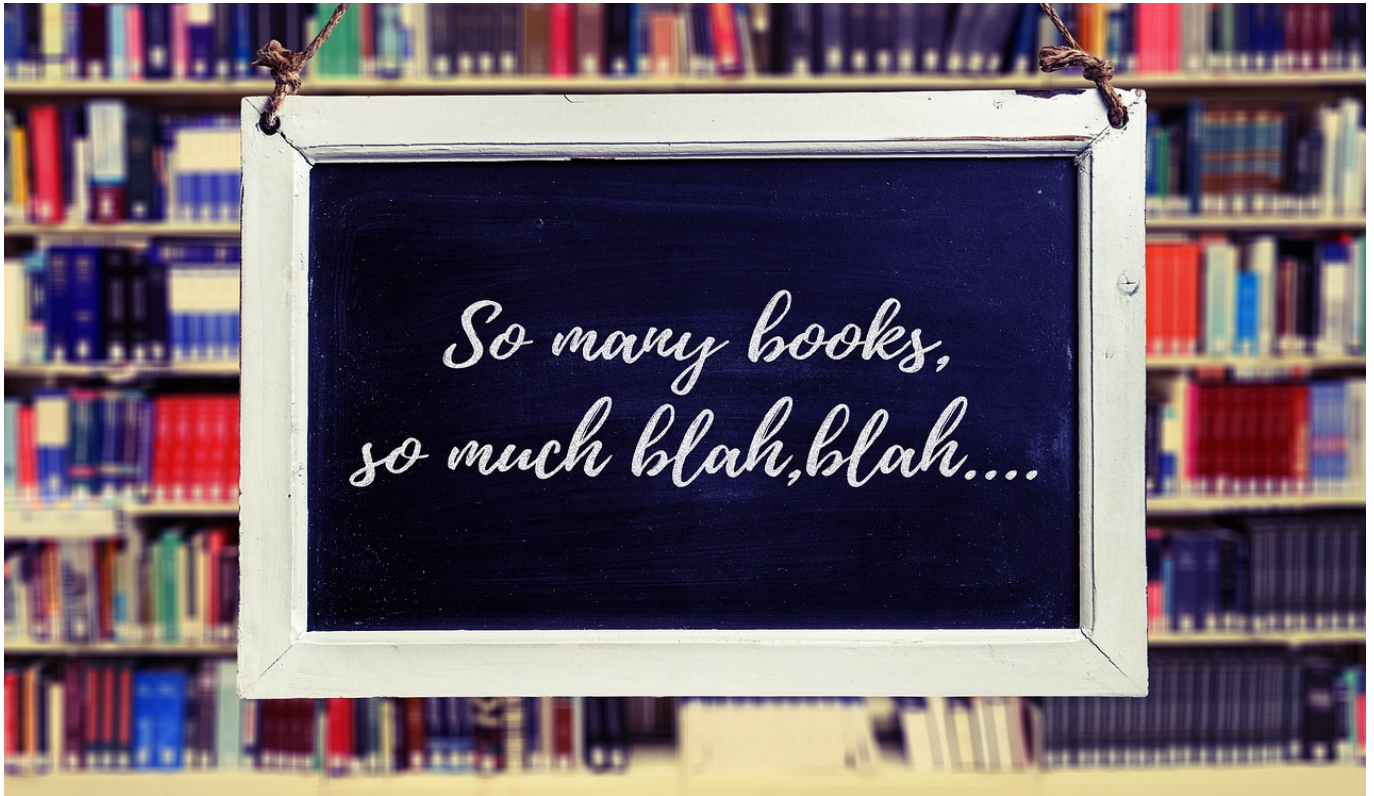
trumpery

Ornamental objects of no great value.
*That **trumpery** hope which lets us dupe ourselves.*



Usage Examples of "Nonsense" as a noun

- *'Nonsense! No one can do that.*
- *Nonsense poetry.*
- *He was talking absolute nonsense.*
- *The law is a nonsense.*
- *She's a strong woman who stands no nonsense.*
- *The proposal would make a nonsense of their plans.*



Nonsense as an Adjective

Definitions of "Nonsense" as an adjective

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

- *Having no intelligible meaning.*



Synonyms of "Nonsense" as an adjective (1 Word)

nonsensical Having no meaning; making no sense.
A *nonsensical* argument.



Usage Examples of "Nonsense" as an adjective

- *Nonsense syllables.*



Associations of "Nonsense" (30 Words)

- absurd** An absurd state of affairs.
*The **absurd** excuse that the dog ate his homework.*
- absurdity** A message whose content is at variance with reason.
*The crowd laughed at the **absurdity** of the clown's behavior.*
- babble** (of flowing water) make a continuous murmuring sound.
*Her soft voice stopped his **babble**.*
- babbling** Gibberish resembling the sounds of a baby.
*You sound like a **babbling** fool.*
- bull** A formal proclamation issued by the pope usually written in antiquated characters and sealed with a leaden bulla.
*Stocks were **bulling**.*
- bunk** Provide with a bunk.
*They **bunk** together in the dormitory.*

chatter	Cut unevenly with a chattering tool. <i>He was full of inconsequential but amusing chatter.</i>
fool	Foolish silly. <i>That damn fool waiter.</i>
foolish	Devoid of good sense or judgment. <i>A foolish decision.</i>
gibber	Chatter inarticulately; of monkeys. <i>They shrieked and gibbered as flames surrounded them.</i>
gibberish	Unintelligible or meaningless speech or writing; nonsense. <i>He talks gibberish.</i>
illogical	Lacking sense or clear, sound reasoning. <i>An illogical fear of the supernatural.</i>
<u>incoherent</u>	(of waves) having no definite or stable phase relationship. <i>Incoherent with grief.</i>
<u>irrational</u>	Of a number quantity or expression not expressible as a ratio of two integers and having an infinite and non recurring expansion when expressed as a decimal Examples of irrational numbers are the number and the square root of 2. <i>Irrational numbers.</i>
maunder	Move or act in a dreamy or idle manner. <i>He maunders through the bank composing his thoughts.</i>
<u>mumble</u>	A soft indistinct utterance. <i>Rosie had replied in a mumble.</i>
<u>murmur</u>	Say something in a low or indistinct voice. <i>There were murmurs of dissent from his colleagues.</i>
<u>mutation</u>	A distinct form resulting from genetic mutation. <i>Mutation is ultimately the only way in which new variation enters the species.</i>
<u>mutter</u>	A complaint uttered in a low and indistinct tone. <i>I knew she was a troublemaker Rebecca muttered.</i>
palaver	Influence or urge by gentle urging, caressing, or flattering. <i>Getting into each building was a bit of a palaver.</i>
prate	Speak (about unimportant matters) rapidly and incessantly. <i>I heard him prate on for at least an hour and a half.</i>
prattle	Talk at length in a foolish or inconsequential way. <i>She began to prattle on about her visit to the dentist.</i>

- preposterous** Incongruous; inviting ridicule.
*A **preposterous** suggestion.*
- prevaricate** Be deliberately ambiguous or unclear in order to mislead or withhold information.
*He seemed to **prevaricate** when journalists asked pointed questions.*
- ramble** Continue talking or writing in a desultory manner.
*Roses climbed **rambled** hung over walls.*
- ridiculous** Broadly or extravagantly humorous; resembling farce.
*That **ridiculous** tartan cap.*
- silly** A word used for misbehaving children.
*How **silly** an ardent and unsuccessful wooer can be especially if he is getting on in years.*
- superstitious** Showing ignorance of the laws of nature and faith in magic or chance.
*Many **superstitious** beliefs and practices are connected with sneezing.*
- talking** The action of talking speech or discussion.
*I ll do the **talking** you just back me up.*
- untenable** (especially of a position or view) not able to be maintained or defended against attack or objection.
*This argument is clearly **untenable**.*

