

Need another word that means the same as “nostalgia”? Find 10 synonyms and 30 related words for “nostalgia” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Nostalgia” are: wistfulness, longing for the past, pining for the past, yearning for the past, regret, reminiscence, remembrance, recollection, homesickness, sentimentality

Nostalgia as a Noun

Definitions of "Nostalgia" as a noun

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

- *Something done or presented in order to evoke feelings of nostalgia.*
- *Longing for something past.*
- *A sentimental longing or wistful affection for a period in the past.*



Synonyms of "Nostalgia" as a noun (10 Words)

homesickness	A longing to return home. <i>I lived four years in London without a single pang of homesickness.</i>
longing for the past	Prolonged unfulfilled desire or need.
pinning for the past	A coniferous tree.
<u>recollection</u>	A thing recollected; a memory. <i>A biography based on his wife s recollections.</i>
regret	Used in polite formulas to express apology for or sadness at an occurrence or an inability to accept an invitation. <i>He had to decline to his regret.</i>
remembrance	A thing kept or given as a reminder or in commemoration of someone. <i>They exchanged fond remembrances of his gentle ways.</i>

reminiscence

A collection in literary form of incidents that someone remembers.
*His **reminiscences** of his early days in Parliament.*

sentimentality

Exaggerated and self-indulgent tenderness, sadness, or nostalgia.
*There are passages which verge on **sentimentality**.*

wistfulness

A sadly pensive longing.

yearning for the past Prolonged unfulfilled desire or need.



Usage Examples of "Nostalgia" as a noun

- *I was overcome with acute nostalgia for my days at university.*
- *An evening of TV nostalgia.*



Associations of "Nostalgia" (30 Words)

angst

A feeling of persistent worry about something trivial.
*The existential **angst** of the middle classes.*

bygone

A thing dating from an earlier time.
***Bygone** days.*

contemplative

A person devoted to the contemplative life.
***Contemplative** knowledge of God.*

depressed

(of a place or economic activity) suffering the damaging effects of a lack of demand or employment.
***Depressed** inner city areas.*

despair

The complete loss or absence of hope.
*They were rescued from **despair** at the last minute.*

desperate

Desperately determined.
*A **desperate** sadness enveloped Ruth.*

<u>desperation</u>	Desperate recklessness. <i>Courage born of desperation.</i>
despondency	Feeling downcast and disheartened and hopeless. <i>An air of despondency.</i>
despondent	In low spirits from loss of hope or courage. <i>Despondent about his failure.</i>
<u>disappointing</u>	Not up to expectations. <i>The team made a disappointing start.</i>
<u>disappointment</u>	A person or thing that causes disappointment. <i>The job proved a disappointment.</i>
dismal	Causing a mood of gloom or depression. <i>His dismal mood was not dispelled by finding the house empty.</i>
<u>frustration</u>	An event or circumstance that causes one to feel frustrated. <i>Her constant complaints were the main source of his frustration.</i>
gloom	A state of depression or despondency. <i>A year of economic gloom for the car industry.</i>
<u>grief</u>	Intense sorrow, especially caused by someone's death. <i>Her death was a great grief to John.</i>
heartache	Intense sorrow caused by loss of a loved one (especially by death). <i>The familiar pang of heartache.</i>
homesick	Experiencing a longing for one's home during a period of absence from it. <i>He was homesick for America after five weeks in Europe.</i>
homesickness	A longing to return home. <i>I lived four years in London without a single pang of homesickness.</i>
hopeless	Very bad or incompetent. <i>I m hopeless at names.</i>
loneliness	The state of being alone in solitary isolation. <i>Feelings of depression and loneliness.</i>
<u>longing</u>	Prolonged unfulfilled desire or need. <i>Her longing eyes.</i>
<u>melancholy</u>	A humor that was once believed to be secreted by the kidneys or spleen and to cause sadness and melancholy. <i>At the centre of his music lies a profound melancholy and nostalgia.</i>
mourning	State of sorrow over the death or departure of a loved one. <i>If he dies she ll put on mourning but she won t cry.</i>

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sadness

somber

sorrow

sorry

unhappy

wistful

*Collections of pop **oldies**.*

*It is one of life's **sadnesses**.*

*A **somber** mood.*

*It was a great **sorrow** to her when they separated.*

*He said he was **sorry** he had upset me.*

The **unhappy** or sad news.

A **wistful** smile.

