

Need another word that means the same as “obscurity”? Find 29 synonyms and 30 related words for “obscurity” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Obscurity” are: obscureness, abstruseness, reconditeness, insignificance, inconspicuousness, unimportance, anonymity, lack of fame, lack of honour, lack of recognition, lack of renown, limbo, twilight, oblivion, incomprehensibility, impenetrability, unintelligibility, complexity, intricacy, opacity, opaqueness, unclearness, enigma, puzzle, mystery, difficulty, problem, complication, ambiguity

Obscurity as a Noun

Definitions of "Obscurity" as a noun

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

- *The quality of being difficult to understand.*
- *The state of being indistinct or indefinite for lack of adequate illumination.*
- *The state of being unknown, inconspicuous, or unimportant.*
- *The quality of being unclear or abstruse and hard to understand.*
- *A thing that is unclear or difficult to understand.*
- *An obscure and unimportant standing; not well known.*



Synonyms of "Obscurity" as a noun (29 Words)

abstruseness	Wisdom that is recondite and abstruse and profound.
<u>ambiguity</u>	Unclearness by virtue of having more than one meaning. <i>We can detect no ambiguity in this section of the Act.</i>
anonymity	Lack of outstanding, individual, or unusual features; impersonality. <i>The official spoke on condition of anonymity.</i>
complexity	A factor involved in a complicated process or situation. <i>He enjoyed the complexity of modern computers.</i>
<u>complication</u>	A situation or condition that is complex or confused. <i>Her coming was a serious complication.</i>
difficulty	The state or condition of being difficult. <i>They agreed about the difficulty of the climb.</i>
<u>enigma</u>	A difficult problem. <i>Madeleine was still an enigma to him.</i>
impenetrability	The quality of being impenetrable (by people or light or missiles etc.)
incomprehensibility	The quality of being incomprehensible.
inconspicuousness	The quality of being not easily seen.
insignificance	The quality of having little or no significance. <i>He is aware of his own insignificance within the bigger picture.</i>
intricacy	Marked by elaborately complex detail. <i>The intricacy of the procedure.</i>
lack of fame	The state of needing something that is absent or unavailable.
lack of honour	The state of needing something that is absent or unavailable.
lack of recognition	The state of needing something that is absent or unavailable.
lack of renown	The state of needing something that is absent or unavailable.
<u>limbo</u>	(in some Christian beliefs) the supposed abode of the souls of unbaptized infants, and of the just who died before Christ's coming. <i>The legal battle could leave the club in limbo until next year.</i>
<u>mystery</u>	The practices, skills, or lore peculiar to a particular trade or activity and regarded as baffling to those without specialized knowledge. <i>What happened after he left home that day remains a mystery.</i>
<u>oblivion</u>	The state of being forgotten, especially by the public. <i>Only our armed forces stood between us and oblivion.</i>
obscurity	The state of being humble and unimportant.

opacity	The quality of lacking transparency or translucence. <i>The difficulty and opacity in Barthes texts.</i>
opaqueness	Incomprehensibility resulting from obscurity of meaning.
problem	A question raised for consideration or solution. <i>Urban problems such as traffic congestion and smog.</i>
puzzle	A jigsaw puzzle. <i>The meaning of the poem has always been a puzzle.</i>
reconditeness	The quality of being unclear or abstruse and hard to understand. <i>The anthropologist was impressed by the reconditeness of the native proverbs.</i>
twilight	The period of the evening when twilight is visible between daylight and darkness. <i>A twilight world of secrecy.</i>
unclearness	Incomprehensibility as a result of not being clear.
unimportance	The state or fact of lacking in importance or significance. <i>The relative unimportance of wider kin ties in British culture.</i>
unintelligibility	Incomprehensibility as a consequence of being unintelligible.



Usage Examples of "Obscurity" as a noun

- *He is too good a player to slide into obscurity.*
- *He worked in obscurity for many years.*
- *The obscurities in his poems and plays.*
- *Poems of impenetrable obscurity.*



Associations of "Obscurity" (30 Words)

blunder	An embarrassing mistake. <i>He knew he d blundered.</i>
carelessness	Failure to act with the prudence that a reasonable person would exercise under the same circumstances. <i>Most road accidents are caused by carelessness on the part of motorists.</i>
completely	Totally; utterly. <i>The fire completely destroyed the building.</i>
defect	A mark or flaw that spoils the appearance of something (especially on a person's body). <i>Visual defects.</i>
error	A mistake. <i>She was quick to point out my errors.</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>I m only a fallible human.</i>

<u>fault</u>	Of a rock formation be broken by a fault or faults. <i>He served too many double faults.</i>
<u>flawed</u>	Having or characterized by a fundamental weakness or imperfection. <i>A flawed diamond.</i>
<u>forget</u>	Forget to do something. <i>I m sorry Cassie I forget myself.</i>
gratuitous	Done without good reason; uncalled for. <i>Solicitors provide a form of gratuitous legal advice.</i>
inattention	Lack of attention. <i>His inattention to duty.</i>
incompetence	Inability of a part or organ to function properly. <i>Allegations of professional incompetence.</i>
<u>inconspicuous</u>	Not clearly visible or attracting attention. <i>He pushed the string through an inconspicuous hole.</i>
<u>invisible</u>	Invisible exports and imports. <i>This invisible gas is present to some extent in every home.</i>
lapse	The termination of a right or privilege through disuse or failure to follow appropriate procedures. <i>If your diet has lapsed it s time you revived it.</i>
leave	Go and leave behind either intentionally or by neglect or forgetfulness. <i>This leaves no room for improvement.</i>
memory	An electronic memory device. <i>He can do it from memory.</i>
<u>misconception</u>	An incorrect conception. <i>Public misconceptions about antibiotic use.</i>
misplace	Put (an object) in the wrong place and so lose it temporarily. <i>Crewe came back into the game when Strachan misplaced a pass in the midfield.</i>
<u>miss</u>	Leave undone or leave out. <i>There is something missing in my jewelry box.</i>
mistake	To make a mistake or be incorrect. <i>He wasn t going to admit his mistake.</i>
<u>neglect</u>	The state of something that has been unused and neglected. <i>She was accused of child neglect.</i>
<u>negligence</u>	Failure to take proper care over something. <i>His injury was due to the negligence of his employers.</i>

- overlook** (of a place) be open to view and so lack privacy.
*The chateau **overlooks** fields of corn and olive trees.*
- remember** Recapture the past; indulge in memories.
*After the shelling many people lost the ability to **remember**.*
- slip** A fielder at slip.
*Tommy bolted off like a greyhound released from the **slips**.*
- undeserved** Not warranted, merited, or earned.
*An **undeserved** term of imprisonment.*
- unmerited** Not deserved or merited.
*An **unmerited** insult.*
- vanish** Gradually cease to exist.
*Moira **vanished** without trace.*

