

Need another word that means the same as “ornery”? Find 5 synonyms and 30 related words for “ornery” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Ornery” are: cantankerous, crotchety, tedious, dull, monotonous**

## Ornery as an Adjective

### Definitions of "Ornery" as an adjective

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

- *Bad-tempered or difficult to deal with.*
- *Having a difficult and contrary disposition.*
- *Having a difficult and contrary disposition- Dorothy Sayers.*

### Synonyms of "Ornery" as an adjective (5 Words)

<a href="#">cantankerous</a>	Bad-tempered, argumentative, and uncooperative. A <b>cantankerous</b> and venomous tongued old lady.
<b>crotchety</b>	Having a difficult and contrary disposition. He was tired and <b>crotchety</b> .
<b>dull</b>	Not having a sharp edge or point. A <b>dull</b> gaze.
<a href="#">monotonous</a>	Dull, tedious, and repetitious; lacking in variety and interest. The statistics that he quotes with <b>monotonous</b> regularity.
<a href="#">tedious</a>	Too long, slow, or dull; tiresome or monotonous. A <b>tedious</b> journey.

## Usage Examples of "Ornery" as an adjective

- *An ornery old military man.*

## Associations of "Ornery" (30 Words)

<b><u>cantankerous</u></b>	Having a difficult and contrary disposition. <i>He can be a <b>cantankerous</b> old fossil at times.</i>
<b>choleric</b>	Characterized by anger. <i>A <b>choleric</b> outburst.</i>
<b>crotchety</b>	Having a difficult and contrary disposition. <i>He was tired and <b>crotchety</b>.</i>
<b><u>dogged</u></b>	Stubbornly unyielding- T.S.Eliot. <i>Success required <b>dogged</b> determination.</i>
<b>froward</b>	Habitually disposed to disobedience and opposition.
<b>hardheaded</b>	Unreasonably rigid in the face of argument or entreaty or attack. <i>A <b>hardheaded</b> appraisal of our position.</i>
<b>headstrong</b>	Energetically wilful and determined. <i>The <b>headstrong</b> impulsiveness of youth.</i>
<b>hidebound</b>	Unwilling or unable to change because of tradition or convention. <i>They are working to change <b>hidebound</b> corporate cultures.</i>
<b>ingratitude</b>	A discreditable lack of gratitude. <i>He returned his daughter's care with <b>ingratitude</b> and unkindness.</i>
<b>insistence</b>	Continual and persistent demands. <i><b>Insistence</b> on grammatical correctness is a conservative position.</i>
<b><u>insistent</u></b>	Insisting on or demanding something; not allowing refusal. <i>Tony's soft <b>insistent</b> questioning.</i>
<b>intransigence</b>	Refusal to change one's views or to agree about something. <i>In the face of government <b>intransigence</b> he resigned in disgust.</i>
<b>intransigent</b>	An intransigent person. <i>Her father had tried persuasion but she was <b>intransigent</b>.</i>
<b>irascible</b>	Characterized by anger. <i>An <b>irascible</b> and difficult man.</i>
<b>obduracy</b>	Resoluteness by virtue of being unyielding and inflexible.
<b>obdurate</b>	Stubbornly persistent in wrongdoing. <i>The child's misery would move even the most <b>obdurate</b> heart.</i>

<b>obstinacy</b>	The quality or condition of being obstinate; stubbornness. <i>His reputation for <b>obstinacy</b>.</i>
<b>obstinate</b>	Stubbornly persistent in wrongdoing. <i>The <b>obstinate</b> problem of unemployment.</i>
<b>opinionated</b>	Obstinate in your opinions. <i>An arrogant and <b>opinionated</b> man.</i>
<b>persistence</b>	The property of a continuous and connected period of time. <i>Cardiff's <b>persistence</b> was rewarded with a try.</i>
<b>persistent</b>	Continually recurring to the mind- Claudia Cassidy. <i><b>Persistent</b> leaves remain attached past maturity.</i>
<b>pertinacious</b>	Stubbornly unyielding. <i>The most vocal and <b>pertinacious</b> of all the critics.</i>
<b>pertinacity</b>	Persistent determination.
<b>pigheaded</b>	Obstinate and stupid.
<b>querulous</b>	Complaining in a rather petulant or whining manner. <i>She became <b>querulous</b> and demanding.</i>
<b>recalcitrance</b>	The trait of being unmanageable.
<b>recalcitrant</b>	Stubbornly resistant to authority or control. <i>A class of <b>recalcitrant</b> fifteen year olds.</i>
<b>stubborn</b>	Having or showing dogged determination not to change one's attitude or position on something, especially in spite of good arguments or reasons to do so. <i><b>Stubborn</b> rust stains.</i>
<b>tenacious</b>	Stubbornly unyielding- T.S.Eliot. <i>This <b>tenacious</b> defence of local liberties.</i>
<b>unyielding</b>	Stubbornly unyielding. <i>An <b>unyielding</b> head support.</i>