

Need another word that means the same as “pejorative”? Find 15 synonyms and 30 related words for “pejorative” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Pejorative” are: dislogistic, dyslogistic, disparaging, derogatory, denigratory, deprecatory, defamatory, slanderous, libellous, abusive, insulting, slighting, vituperative, disapproving, contemptuous

Pejorative as an Adjective

Definitions of "Pejorative" as an adjective

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

- *Expressing contempt or disapproval.*
- *Expressing disapproval.*

Synonyms of "Pejorative" as an adjective (15 Words)

abusive	Extremely offensive and insulting. An abusive relationship.
contemptuous	Showing contempt; scornful. She was intolerant and contemptuous of the majority of the human race.
defamatory	Harmful and often untrue; tending to discredit or malign. A defamatory allegation.
denigratory	(used of statements) harmful and often untrue; tending to discredit or malign.
deprecatory	Apologetic or appeasing. A deprecatory smile.

derogatory	Showing a critical or disrespectful attitude. <i>She tells me I m fat and is always making derogatory remarks.</i>
disapproving	Expressing an unfavourable opinion. <i>He shot a disapproving glance at her.</i>
dislogistic	Expressing disapproval.
disparaging	Expressing the opinion that something is of little worth; derogatory. <i>Disparaging remarks about the new house.</i>
dyslogistic	Expressing disapproval. <i>Dyslogistic terms like nitwit and scalawag.</i>
insulting	Disrespectful or scornfully abusive. <i>Their language is insulting to women.</i>
libellous	Harmful and often untrue; tending to discredit or malign. <i>A libellous newspaper story.</i>
slandorous	(of a spoken statement) false and malicious. <i>Slandorous allegations.</i>
slighting	Tending to diminish or disparage. <i>Slighting references to the errors of our political economists.</i>
vituperative	Marked by harshly abusive criticism. <i>A vituperative outburst.</i>

Usage Examples of "Pejorative" as an adjective

- Permissiveness is used almost universally as a pejorative term.

Associations of "Pejorative" (30 Words)

abusive	Expressing offensive reproach. <i>Abusive parents.</i>
belittle	Cause to seem less serious; play down. <i>She belittled Amy s riding skills whenever she could.</i>
contemptuous	Showing contempt; scornful. <i>She was intolerant and contemptuous of the majority of the human race.</i>
criticize	Form and express a judgement of (a literary or artistic work). <i>The paper criticized the new movie.</i>
curse	Invoke or use a curse against. <i>It often seemed as if the family had been cursed.</i>

<u>decry</u>	Express strong disapproval of. <i>They decried human rights abuses.</i>
<u>defame</u>	Charge falsely or with malicious intent; attack the good name and reputation of someone. <i>The journalists have defamed me.</i>
<u>degrading</u>	Causing a loss of self-respect; humiliating. <i>The vicious and degrading cult of violence.</i>
denigrate	Charge falsely or with malicious intent. <i>Doom and gloom merchants who denigrate their own country.</i>
derogate	Cause to seem less serious; play down. <i>It is typical of him to derogate the powers of reason.</i>
derogatory	Expressive of low opinion. <i>She tells me I m fat and is always making derogatory remarks.</i>
<u>disgraceful</u>	Shockingly unacceptable. <i>It is disgraceful that they should be denied unemployment benefits.</i>
dishonorable	Deceptive or fraudulent; disposed to cheat or defraud or deceive. <i>Dishonorable in thought and deed.</i>
disparaging	Expressing the opinion that something is of little worth; derogatory. <i>Disparaging remarks about the new house.</i>
disrespectful	Neither feeling nor showing respect. <i>Disrespectful toward his teacher.</i>
<u>humiliating</u>	Causing awareness of your shortcomings. <i>A humiliating defeat.</i>
ignominious	Deserving or bringing disgrace or shame- Rachel Carson. <i>An ignominious retreat.</i>
insulting	Expressing extreme contempt. <i>Their language is insulting to women.</i>
libellous	Harmful and often untrue; tending to discredit or malign. <i>A libellous newspaper story.</i>
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opprobrious	(of language) expressing scorn or criticism. <i>An opprobrious monument to human greed.</i>
reproach	In the Roman Catholic Church a set of antiphons and responses for Good Friday representing the reproaches of Christ to his people. <i>He gave her a look of reproach.</i>

rude	Belonging to an early stage of technical development characterized by simplicity and often crudeness. <i>It s rude to talk about people right in front of them.</i>
scolding	An angry rebuke or reprimand. <i>She d get a scolding from Victoria.</i>
<u>scornful</u>	Feeling or expressing contempt or derision. <i>The opposition were scornful of the Prime Minister s proposal.</i>
<u>shameful</u>	Giving offense to moral sensibilities and injurious to reputation- Thackeray. <i>The wicked rascally shameful conduct of the bankrupt.</i>
slandorous	Harmful and often untrue; tending to discredit or malign. <i>Slandorous allegations.</i>
sneering	Expressive of contempt. <i>He made a sneering comment about their closeness.</i>
vilify	Speak or write about in an abusively disparaging manner. <i>He has been vilified in the press.</i>
way	A general category of things used in the expression in the way of. <i>The area s wine industry still has some way to go to full maturity.</i>