

Need another word that means the same as “profane”? Find 52 synonyms and 30 related words for “profane” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Profane” are: blasphemous, sacrilegious, unconsecrated, unsanctified, secular, blue, lay, temporal, worldly, earthly, irreverent, ungodly, godless, impious, disrespectful, irreligious, unbelieving, disbelieving, idolatrous, obscene, foul, vulgar, crude, filthy, dirty, smutty, coarse, rude, offensive, scurrilous, off colour, indecent, indecorous, corrupt, debase, debauch, demoralise, demoralize, deprave, misdirect, pervert, subvert, vitiate, desecrate, outrage, violate, defile, treat with disrespect, degrade, contaminate, pollute, taint

Profane as a Verb

Definitions of "Profane" as a verb

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

- *Treat (something sacred) with irreverence or disrespect.*
- *Corrupt morally or by intemperance or sensuality.*
- *Violate the sacred character of a place or language.*



Synonyms of "Profane" as a verb (19 Words)

contaminate	Make (something) impure by exposure to or addition of a poisonous or polluting substance. <i>Don't drink the water it's contaminated.</i>
corrupt	Corrupt morally or by intemperance or sensuality. <i>Epicurus's teachings have since been much corrupted.</i>
debase	Corrupt, debase or make impure by adding a foreign or inferior substance, often by replacing valuable ingredients with inferior ones. <i>War debases people.</i>
debauch	Destroy or debase the moral purity of; corrupt. <i>He has debauched the morals of the people and endeavoured to corrupt parliament.</i>
<u>defile</u>	Damage the purity or appearance of; mar or spoil. <i>He took her behind the building and defiled her.</i>

degrade	Treat or regard (someone) with contempt or disrespect. <i>When exposed to light the materials will degrade.</i>
demoralise	Corrupt morally or by intemperance or sensuality.
demoralize	Cause (someone) to lose confidence or hope. <i>She hastened her daughter's steps lest she be demoralized by beholding the free manners of these mad English.</i>
deprave	Make (someone) immoral or wicked. <i>This book would deprave and corrupt young children.</i>
desecrate	Spoil (something which is valued or respected). <i>Many lanes are desecrated with yellow lines.</i>
misdirect	Direct to the wrong place or in the wrong direction. <i>He misdirected a shot.</i>
outrage	Force (someone) to have sex against their will. <i>The public were outraged at the brutality involved.</i>
pervert	Corrupt morally or by intemperance or sensuality. <i>He was charged with conspiring to pervert the course of justice.</i>
pollute	Contaminate (water, the air, etc.) with harmful or poisonous substances. <i>A society polluted by greed.</i>
subvert	Corrupt morally or by intemperance or sensuality. <i>We must not let our civil liberties be subverted by the current crisis.</i>
taint	Contaminate with a disease or microorganism. <i>His administration was tainted by scandal.</i>
treat with disrespect	Provide treatment for.
violate	Violate the sacred character of a place or language. <i>They denied that human rights were being violated.</i>
vitiate	Corrupt morally or by intemperance or sensuality. <i>The insurance is vitiated because of foolish acts on the part of the tenant.</i>



Usage Examples of "Profane" as a verb

- *Profane the name of God.*
- *It was a serious matter to profane a tomb.*



Profane as an Adjective

Definitions of "Profane" as an adjective

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

- *Not concerned with or devoted to religion.*
- *Not relating to that which is sacred or religious; secular.*
- *Characterized by profanity or cursing.*
- *Not holy because unconsecrated or impure or defiled.*
- *(of a person) not initiated into religious rites or any esoteric knowledge.*
- *Not concerned with or devoted to religion.*
- *(of a person or their behaviour) not respectful of religious practice; irreverent.*
- *Grossly irreverent toward what is held to be sacred.*
- *(of language) blasphemous or obscene.*



Synonyms of "Profane" as an adjective (33 Words)

<u>blasphemous</u>	Grossly irreverent toward what is held to be sacred. <i>Foul mouthed and blasphemous.</i>
blue	Of a person's skin having turned blue as a result of cold or breathing difficulties. <i>Deep blue eyes.</i>
coarse	Relating to the sport of angling for coarse fish. <i>A man of coarse speech.</i>
<u>crude</u>	Belonging to an early stage of technical development characterized by simplicity and often crudeness. <i>The crude facts.</i>
disbelieving	Feeling or expressing disbelief. <i>The disbelieving look in her eyes.</i>
disrespectful	Showing a lack of respect or courtesy; impolite. <i>A deeply disrespectful attitude towards women.</i>

<u>earthly</u>	Relating to the earth or human life. <i>Believed that our earthly life is all that matters.</i>
<u>filthy</u>	(of weather) very unpleasant. <i>Filthy language.</i>
foul	Not hit between the foul lines. <i>The news had put Michelle in a foul mood.</i>
godless	Not believing in God. <i>A mob reeling out from their godless pleasures.</i>
idolatrous	Relating to or practising idolatry; idol-worshipping. <i>America s idolatrous worship of the auto.</i>
impious	Showing a lack of respect for God or religion. <i>Impious villains.</i>
indecent	Not in keeping with accepted standards of what is right or proper in polite society. <i>Indecent acts.</i>
<u>indecorous</u>	Lacking propriety and good taste in manners and conduct. <i>Indecorous behavior.</i>
irreligious	Indifferent or hostile to religion, or having no religious beliefs. <i>An irreligious man.</i>
<u>irreverent</u>	Characterized by a lightly pert and exuberant quality. <i>Irreverent scholars mocking sacred things.</i>
<u>lay</u>	Not of or from a profession. <i>The lay ministry.</i>
obscene	Offensive to the mind. <i>The dance often becomes flagrantly obscene.</i>
off colour	In an unpalatable state.
offensive	Morally offensive. <i>Offensive weapons.</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>
sacrilegious	Involving or committing sacrilege. <i>It is sacrilegious to enter with shoes on.</i>
scurrilous	Humorously insulting. <i>A very funny collection of bawdy and scurrilous writings.</i>
<u>secular</u>	Of or denoting slow changes in the motion of the sun or planets. <i>Secular buildings.</i>

<u>temporal</u>	Characteristic of or devoted to the temporal world as opposed to the spiritual world. <i>Temporal possessions of the church.</i>
unbelieving	Denying or questioning the tenets of especially a religion. <i>They were to preach to the unbelieving people.</i>
unconsecrated	Not holy because unconsecrated or impure or defiled. <i>He was buried in unconsecrated ground.</i>
ungodly	Characterized by iniquity; wicked because it is believed to be a sin. <i>I've been troubled by telephone calls at ungodly hours.</i>
unsanctified	Not sanctified. <i>The body was unsanctified.</i>
<u>worldly</u>	(of a person) experienced and sophisticated. <i>Worldly goods and advancement.</i>



Usage Examples of "Profane" as an adjective

- *A talk that tackled topics both sacred and profane.*

- Profane words.
- *He was an agnostic, a profane man.*
- *A profane person might be tempted to violate the tomb.*
- *Sacred and profane music.*
- *Profane utterances against the Church.*
- *Children being brought up in an entirely profane environment.*

Associations of "Profane" (30 Words)

<u>blasphemous</u>	Sacrilegious against God or sacred things; profane. <i>Blasphemous rites of a witches Sabbath.</i>
corrupt	Corrupt morally or by intemperance or sensuality. <i>Socrates was accused of corrupting young men.</i>
debauch	Corrupt morally or by intemperance or sensuality. <i>His life had been spent in debauch.</i>
deprave	Make (someone) immoral or wicked. <i>This book would deprave and corrupt young children.</i>
<u>desecrate</u>	Remove the consecration from a person or an object. <i>Many lanes are desecrated with yellow lines.</i>
diehard	A person who strongly opposes change or who continues to support something in spite of opposition. <i>A diehard Yankees fan.</i>
<u>earthly</u>	Relating to the earth or human life. <i>Earthly beings.</i>
exhume	Expose (a land surface) that was formerly buried. <i>The bodies were exhumed on the orders of a judge.</i>
forensic	A laboratory or department responsible for forensic tests. <i>Forensic photograph.</i>
immoral	Not adhering to ethical or moral principles. <i>They considered colonialism immoral.</i>
<u>impertinent</u>	Characterized by a lightly pert and exuberant quality. <i>An impertinent question.</i>
impiety	Lack of piety or reverence. <i>He blamed the fall of the city on the impiety of the people.</i>
impious	Lacking piety or reverence for a god. <i>Impious toward one's parents.</i>

<u>insolent</u>	Showing a rude and arrogant lack of respect. <i>She hated the insolent tone of his voice.</i>
<u>irreverent</u>	Characterized by a lightly pert and exuberant quality. <i>Irreverent scholars mocking sacred things.</i>
lewd	Driven by lust; preoccupied with or exhibiting lustful desires. <i>Lewd pictures.</i>
libel	The action or crime of publishing a libel. <i>If a ship does you any injury you libel the ship.</i>
<u>loot</u>	Goods or money obtained illegally. <i>Police confronted the protestors who were looting shops.</i>
nefarious	(typically of an action or activity) wicked or criminal. <i>Nefarious schemes.</i>
<u>pervert</u>	Change the inherent purpose or function of something. <i>Hector is a man who is simply perverted by his time.</i>
pillage	Rob a (place) using violence, especially in wartime. <i>Artworks pillaged from churches and museums.</i>
<u>plunder</u>	Plunder a town after capture. <i>The commander refused to maintain his troops through pillage and plunder.</i>
ransack	Go through (a place) stealing things and causing damage. <i>Man has ransacked the planet for fuel.</i>
sacrilegious	Grossly irreverent toward what is held to be sacred. <i>A sacrilegious act.</i>
<u>secular</u>	A secular priest. <i>There is evidence that the slump is not cyclical but secular.</i>
<u>temporal</u>	Characteristic of or devoted to the temporal world as opposed to the spiritual world. <i>Temporal matters of but fleeting moment.</i>
ungodly	Characterized by iniquity; wicked because it is believed to be a sin. <i>I've been troubled by telephone calls at ungodly hours.</i>
vicious	Immoral. <i>Vicious kicks.</i>
wicked	Morally bad in principle or practice. <i>A wicked cough.</i>
<u>worldly</u>	Very sophisticated especially because of surfeit; versed in the ways of the world. <i>Worldly goods and advancement.</i>