

Need another word that means the same as “qualm”? Find 13 synonyms and 30 related words for “qualm” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Qualm” are: queasiness, squeamishness, misgiving, scruple, doubt, reservation, second thought, worry, concern, anxiety, pang of conscience, twinge of conscience, twinge of remorse

Qualm as a Noun

Definitions of "Qualm" as a noun

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

- *An uneasy feeling of doubt, worry, or fear, especially about one's own conduct; a misgiving.*
- *Uneasiness about the fitness of an action.*
- *A mild state of nausea.*
- *A momentary faint or sick feeling.*



Synonyms of "Qualm" as a noun (13 Words)

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| anxiety | (psychiatry) a relatively permanent state of worry and nervousness occurring in a variety of mental disorders, usually accompanied by compulsive behavior or attacks of panic. <i>The housekeeper s eager anxiety to please.</i> |
| concern | A commercial or industrial enterprise and the people who constitute it. <i>The prospect should be of concern to us all.</i> |
| doubt | The state of being unsure of something. <i>They had doubts that they would ever win.</i> |
| misgiving | Uneasiness about the fitness of an action. <i>We have misgivings about the way the campaign is being run.</i> |
| pang of conscience | A mental pain or distress. |
| queasiness | A mild state of nausea. |

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| reservation | The written record or promise of an arrangement by which accommodations are secured in advance. <i>The retention of a right to enter the demised property will be a reservation.</i> |
| scruple | A unit of apothecary weight equal to 20 grains. <i>Give daily one scruple of sulphate of quinine.</i> |
| second thought | A 60th part of a minute of arc. |
| squeamishness | A mild state of nausea. <i>He refused to allow squeamishness to deter him from his duty.</i> |
| twinge of conscience | A sudden sharp feeling. |
| twinge of remorse | A sudden sharp feeling. |
| worry | The state of being anxious and troubled over actual or potential problems. <i>It is not work but worry that kills.</i> |



Usage Examples of "Qualm" as a noun

- *Military regimes generally have no qualms about controlling the press.*



Associations of "Qualm" (30 Words)

agitation A state of agitation or turbulent change or development.
*Widespread **agitation** for social reform.*

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| anxiety | A feeling of worry, nervousness, or unease about something with an uncertain outcome. <i>The housekeeper s eager anxiety to please.</i> |
| apprehension | Painful expectation. <i>She had some apprehensions about the filming.</i> |
| compunction | A feeling of deep regret (usually for some misdeed). <i>They used their tanks without compunction.</i> |
| confession | The religious body or Church sharing a confession of faith. <i>Leading figures from every Christian confession.</i> |
| contrition | The state of feeling remorseful and penitent. <i>Prayers of contrition.</i> |
| distrust | Doubt about someone's honesty. <i>The public s distrust of politicians.</i> |
| doubt | Consider unlikely or have doubts about. <i>I doubt if anyone slept that night.</i> |
| dread | A person with dreadlocks. <i>The thought of returning to London filled her with dread.</i> |
| incredulous | Not disposed or willing to believe; unbelieving. <i>An incredulous gasp.</i> |
| insecurity | The state of being open to danger or threat; lack of protection. <i>The insecurity of wireless networks.</i> |
| misgiving | A feeling of doubt or apprehension about the outcome or consequences of something. <i>We have misgivings about the way the campaign is being run.</i> |
| mistrust | Lack of trust; suspicion. <i>She had no cause to mistrust him.</i> |
| moral | A lesson that can be derived from a story or experience. <i>They have a moral obligation to pay the money back.</i> |
| penance | Impose a penance on. <i>The Bishop penanced him severely for his conduct.</i> |
| penitence | Remorse for your past conduct. <i>A public display of penitence.</i> |
| penitent | Feeling or expressing remorse for misdeeds. <i>A penitent expression.</i> |
| regret | Express with regret. <i>I regret to say that you did not gain admission to Harvard.</i> |

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| <u>remorse</u> | Deep regret or guilt for a wrong committed. <i>They were filled with remorse and shame.</i> |
| remorseful | Filled with remorse; sorry. <i>The defendant was remorseful for what he had done.</i> |
| repent | Feel regret or penitence about. <i>Marian came to repent her hasty judgement.</i> |
| <u>repentance</u> | Remorse for your past conduct. <i>Each person who turns to God in genuine repentance and faith will be saved.</i> |
| rue | Feel remorse for; feel sorry for; be contrite about. <i>To his rue the error cost him the game.</i> |
| sceptical | Denying or questioning the tenets of especially a religion. <i>The public were deeply sceptical about some of the proposals.</i> |
| scruple | Raise scruples. <i>I had no scruples about eavesdropping.</i> |
| <u>suspect</u> | A person or institution against whom an action is brought in a court of law; the person being sued or accused. <i>I suspect he is a fugitive.</i> |
| <u>suspicion</u> | A feeling or belief that someone is guilty of an illegal, dishonest, or unpleasant action. <i>He was arrested on suspicion of murder.</i> |
| <u>suspicious</u> | Openly distrustful and unwilling to confide. <i>Police were called when staff became suspicious.</i> |
| <u>trepidation</u> | Trembling movements or motion. <i>The men set off in fear and trepidation.</i> |
| uneasiness | Inability to rest or relax or be still. <i>I sensed the uneasiness of people around me.</i> |