

Need another word that means the same as “quandary”? Find 6 synonyms and 30 related words for “quandary” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Quandary” are: plight, predicament, dilemma, state of uncertainty, state of perplexity, unfortunate situation

Quandary as a Noun

Definitions of "Quandary" as a noun

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

- *A state of perplexity or uncertainty over what to do in a difficult situation.*
- *A situation from which extrication is difficult especially an unpleasant or trying one.*
- *State of uncertainty or perplexity especially as requiring a choice between equally unfavorable options.*
- *A difficult situation; a practical dilemma.*



Synonyms of "Quandary" as a noun (6 Words)

dilemma

A situation in which a difficult choice has to be made between two or more alternatives, especially ones that are equally undesirable.
*He wants to make money but he also disapproves of it. Den's **dilemma** in a nutshell.*

plight

A situation from which extrication is difficult especially an unpleasant or trying one.
*The woeful **plight** of homeless people.*

predicament

A situation from which extrication is difficult especially an unpleasant or trying one.
*The club's financial **predicament**.*

state of perplexity

The group of people comprising the government of a sovereign state.

state of uncertainty

A politically organized body of people under a single government.

unfortunate situation

A person who suffers misfortune.



Usage Examples of "Quandary" as a noun

- *Kate was in a quandary.*
- *A legal quandary.*



Associations of "Quandary" (30 Words)

abeyance	Temporary cessation or suspension. <i>Matters were held in abeyance pending further enquiries.</i>
<u>adversity</u>	A difficult or unpleasant situation. <i>Resilience in the face of adversity.</i>
agonize	Cause to agonize. <i>A question which will agonize the technocrats.</i>
<u>cease</u>	Cease is a noun only in the phrase without cease end. <i>The hostilities ceased and normal life was resumed.</i>
<u>deadlock</u>	Secure a door with a deadlock. <i>You can deadlock any exit door from the outside.</i>
difficulty	The quality of being difficult. <i>Guy had no difficulty in making friends.</i>

dilemma	State of uncertainty or perplexity especially as requiring a choice between equally unfavorable options. <i>The insoluble dilemma of adolescence.</i>
halt	Come to a halt stop moving. <i>A halt in production.</i>
hardship	Something hard to endure. <i>The many hardships of frontier life.</i>
impasse	A street with only one way in or out. <i>Reached an impasse on the negotiations.</i>
insensitivity	Lack of awareness or ability to respond to something. <i>The growth of our insensitivity to things of beauty.</i>
needy	Needy people collectively. <i>The provision of humanitarian assistance to the needy.</i>
pause	Interrupt temporarily an activity before continuing. <i>He chattered away without pause.</i>
plight	A dangerous, difficult, or otherwise unfortunate situation. <i>We must direct our efforts towards relieving the plight of children living in poverty.</i>
predicament	A situation from which extrication is difficult especially an unpleasant or trying one. <i>The club's financial predicament.</i>
problem	A matter or situation regarded as unwelcome or harmful and needing to be dealt with and overcome. <i>A problem family.</i>
problematic	A thing that constitutes a problem. <i>The situation was problematic for teachers.</i>
puzzled	Filled with bewilderment. <i>The questioners were met with puzzled looks.</i>
questionable	Subject to question. <i>It is questionable whether any of these exceptions is genuine.</i>
rancid	(of foods containing fat or oil) smelling or tasting unpleasant as a result of being old and stale. <i>Rancid meat.</i>
stalemate	Subject to a stalemate. <i>Last time I played him it ended up in stalemate.</i>
stanch	Stop the flow of a liquid.

standstill	An interruption of normal activity. <i>The traffic came to a standstill.</i>
<u>stasis</u>	Inactivity resulting from a static balance between opposing forces. <i>Long periods of stasis.</i>
stop	Cause to stop. <i>His stoppage of the flow resulted in a flood.</i>
suffering	Psychological suffering. <i>A message of hope for suffering humanity.</i>
<u>tangled</u>	In a confused mass. <i>The tangled relationships between Ryan and Marissa and Seth and Summer.</i>
trouble	Take the trouble to do something concern oneself. <i>I wouldn't want to put you to any trouble.</i>
unaccustomed	Not customary or usual. <i>Many varieties of unaccustomed foods.</i>
walkout	A strike in which the workers walk out. <i>These decisions provoked a walkout by the Dutch delegate.</i>

