

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

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**The synonyms of “Remorse” are: compunction, self-reproach, contrition, deep regret, repentance, penitence, guilt, feelings of guilt, bad conscience, ruefulness, contriteness, sorrow, shame, self-accusation, self-condemnation**

## Remorse as a Noun

### Definitions of "Remorse" as a noun

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

- *A feeling of deep regret (usually for some misdeed).*
- *Deep regret or guilt for a wrong committed.*



## Synonyms of "Remorse" as a noun (15 Words)

<b>bad conscience</b>	That which is below standard or expectations as of ethics or decency.
<b>compunction</b>	A feeling of guilt or moral scruple that prevents or follows the doing of something bad. <i>They used their tanks without <b>compunction</b>.</i>
<b>contriteness</b>	An artificial or unnatural or obviously contrived arrangement of details or parts etc.
<b>contrition</b>	Sorrow for sin arising from fear of damnation. <i>To show <b>contrition</b> for his crime he offered to do community service.</i>
<b>deep regret</b>	A long steep-sided depression in the ocean floor.
<b>feelings of guilt</b>	A physical sensation that you experience.
<b>guilt</b>	Remorse caused by feeling responsible for some offense. <i>It is the duty of the prosecution to prove the prisoner s <b>guilt</b>.</i>

<b>penitence</b>	The action of feeling or showing sorrow and regret for having done wrong; repentance. <i>A public display of <b>penitence</b>.</i>
<b>repentance</b>	Remorse for your past conduct. <i>Each person who turns to God in genuine <b>repentance</b> and faith will be saved.</i>
<b>ruefulness</b>	Sadness associated with some wrong done or some disappointment.
<b>self-accusation</b>	An admission that you have failed to do or be something you know you should do or be.
<b>self-condemnation</b>	An admission that you have failed to do or be something you know you should do or be.
<b>self-reproach</b>	A feeling of deep regret (usually for some misdeed).
<b>shame</b>	A person, action, or situation that brings a loss of respect or honour. <i>What a <b>shame</b> Ellie won't be here.</i>
<b>sorrow</b>	An event or circumstance that causes sorrow. <i>A bereaved person needs time to work through their <b>sorrow</b>.</i>





## Usage Examples of "Remorse" as a noun

- *They were filled with remorse and shame.*



## Associations of "Remorse" (30 Words)

- apologetic** Expressing or showing regretful acknowledgement of an offence or failure.  
*She was very **apologetic** about the whole incident.*
- atonement** The reconciliation of God and mankind through Jesus Christ.  
*He submitted his resignation as an act of **atonement**.*
- compunction** A feeling of guilt or moral scruple that prevents or follows the doing of something bad.  
*They used their tanks without **compunction**.*
- confess** Confess to a punishable or reprehensible deed usually under pressure.  
*St Ambrose would weep bitter tears when **confessing** a sinner.*

<b><u>confession</u></b>	The religious body or Church sharing a confession of faith. <i>His words are a political <b>confession</b> of faith.</i>
<b>confessor</b>	A priest who hears confessions and gives absolution and spiritual counsel. <i>If one prisoner confesses and implicates the other the <b>confessor</b> will go free as a reward.</i>
<b>contrite</b>	Feeling or expressing remorse at the recognition that one has done wrong. <i>A <b>contrite</b> tone.</i>
<b>contrition</b>	Sorrow for sin arising from fear of damnation. <i>Prayers of <b>contrition</b>.</i>
<b>forgive</b>	Stop blaming or grant forgiveness. <i>She cannot <b>forgive</b> him for forgetting her birthday.</i>
<b>penance</b>	Impose a penance on. <i>He had done public <b>penance</b> for those hasty words.</i>
<b>penitence</b>	The action of feeling or showing sorrow and regret for having done wrong; repentance. <i>A public display of <b>penitence</b>.</i>
<b>penitent</b>	Feeling or showing sorrow and regret for having done wrong; repentant. <i>A <b>penitent</b> expression.</i>
<b>penitential</b>	Relating to or expressing penitence or penance. <i>Wrote a <b>penitential</b> letter apologizing for her hasty words.</i>
<b><u>qualm</u></b>	A momentary faint or sick feeling. <i>Military regimes generally have no <b>qualms</b> about controlling the press.</i>
<b>regret</b>	Express with regret. <i>I always <b>regretted</b> that I never trained.</i>
<b>regretful</b>	Feeling or showing regret. <i><b>Regretful</b> over mistakes she had made.</i>
<b><u>regretfully</u></b>	In a regretful manner. <i><b>Regretfully</b> mounting costs forced the branch to close.</i>
<b>remorseful</b>	Filled with remorse; sorry. <i>The defendant was <b>remorseful</b> for what he had done.</i>
<b>repent</b>	Feel remorse for; feel sorry for; be contrite about. <i>Marian came to <b>repent</b> her hasty judgement.</i>
<b><u>repentance</u></b>	The action of repenting; sincere regret or remorse. <i>Each person who turns to God in genuine <b>repentance</b> and faith will be saved.</i>
<b>repentant</b>	Feeling or expressing remorse for misdeeds. <i>He is truly <b>repentant</b> for his incredible naivety and stupidity.</i>

<b>rue</b>	Leaves sometimes used for flavoring fruit or claret cup but should be used with great caution: can cause irritation like poison ivy. <i>To his <b>rue</b> the error cost him the game.</i>
<b><u>rueful</u></b>	Expressing sorrow or regret, especially in a wry or humorous way. <i>She gave a <b>rueful</b> grin.</i>
<b><u>salvation</u></b>	The state of being saved or preserved from harm. <i>They turned to individualism as their <b>salvation</b>.</i>
<b>sceptic</b>	A person who doubts the truth of Christianity and other religions; an atheist.
<b>scruple</b>	Raise scruples. <i>In the choice of a second wife one <b>scruple</b> of prudence is worth a pound of passion.</i>
<b><u>sin</u></b>	Commit a sin violate a law of God or a moral law. <i>Lord we have <b>sinned</b> against you.</i>
<b><u>sinner</u></b>	A person who transgresses against divine law by committing an immoral act or acts. <i>God forgives repentant <b>sinner</b>s.</i>
<b><u>sorry</u></b>	Unpleasant and regrettable, especially on account of incompetence or misbehaviour. <i>A <b>sorry</b> excuse.</i>
<b>uneasiness</b>	Inability to rest or relax or be still. <i>I sensed the <b>uneasiness</b> of people around me.</i>