

Need another word that means the same as “restless”? Find 19 synonyms and 30 related words for “restless” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Restless” are: uneasy, ungratified, unsatisfied, ill at ease, restive, fidgety, edgy, tense, worked up, nervous, agitated, anxious, keyed up, apprehensive, unquiet, impatient, sleepless, wakeful, insomniac**

## Restless as an Adjective

### Definitions of "Restless" as an adjective

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

- *Ceaselessly in motion.*
- *Worried and uneasy.*
- *Lacking or not affording physical or mental rest.*
- *Offering no physical or emotional rest; involving constant activity.*
- *Unable to rest or relax as a result of anxiety or boredom.*



## Synonyms of "Restless" as an adjective (19 Words)

- agitated** Troubled emotionally and usually deeply.  
*The **agitated** mixture foamed and bubbled.*  
(of a situation or period of time) causing or characterized by worry or nervousness.
- anxious** *My parents were **anxious** that I get an education.*
- apprehensive** In fear or dread of possible evil or harm.  
*He felt **apprehensive** about going home.*
- edgy** At the forefront of a trend; experimental or avant-garde.  
*He became **edgy** and defensive.*
- fidgety** Nervous and unable to relax.  
*I get nervous and **fidgety** at the dentist.*
- ill at ease** Indicating hostility or enmity.
- impatient** Restlessly eager.  
*They are **impatient** for change.*

<b>insomniac</b>	Experiencing or accompanied by sleeplessness- Shakespeare. <i>As the host of an all night radio show Shepard would commune with his <b>insomniac</b> listeners.</i>
<b>keyed up</b>	Serving as an essential component.
<b><u>nervous</u></b>	Of or relating to the nervous system. <i>He s <b>nervous</b> of speaking in public.</i>
<b>restive</b>	Being in a tense state. <i>He reiterated his determination to hold the <b>restive</b> republics together.</i>
<b>sleepless</b>	Experiencing or accompanied by sleeplessness. <i>Another <b>sleepless</b> night.</i>
<b><u>tense</u></b>	Pronounced with relatively tense tongue muscles e g the vowel sound in beat. <i>They waited in <b>tense</b> silence.</i>
<b><u>uneasy</u></b>	(of a situation or relationship) not settled; liable to change. <i>An <b>uneasy</b> silence fell on the group.</i>
<b>ungratified</b>	Worried and uneasy.
<b>unquiet</b>	Uneasy; anxious. <i>Spent an <b>unquiet</b> night tossing and turning.</i>
<b><u>unsatisfied</u></b>	Worried and uneasy. <i>The compromise left all sides <b>unsatisfied</b>.</i>
<b>wakeful</b>	(of sleep) easily disturbed. <i>A restless <b>wakeful</b> night.</i>
<b>worked up</b>	Getting higher or more vigorous.



## Usage Examples of "Restless" as an adjective

- *The restless wind.*
- *The restless sea.*
- *A restless night.*
- *The audience grew restless and inattentive.*



## Associations of "Restless" (30 Words)

<b>adrift</b>	So as to float without being either moored or steered. <i>They were only a point <b>adrift</b> at the break.</i>
<b><u>a</u>float</b>	In general circulation; current. <i>The main deck was <b>a</b>float or awash.</i>
<b>agitated</b>	Troubled emotionally and usually deeply. <i>The <b>agitated</b> mixture foamed and bubbled.</i>
<b><u>a</u>imless</b>	Aimlessly drifting. <i>An <b>a</b>imless existence.</i>
<b>aimlessly</b>	Without aim; in an aimless manner. <i>We wandered <b>aimlessly</b> round Venice.</i>
<b>balky</b>	Stopping short and refusing to go on. <i>A <b>balky</b> customer.</i>

<b>beggar</b>	Reduce to beggary. <i>Why should I <b>beggar</b> myself for you.</i>
<b><u>disobedient</u></b>	Refusing to obey rules or someone in authority. <i><b>Disobedient</b> children.</i>
<b>dissentient</b>	(of Catholics) refusing to attend services of the Church of England. <i><b>Dissentient</b> voices were castigated as hopeless bureaucrats.</i>
<b>floating</b>	Not settled permanently; fluctuating or variable. <i>A <b>floating</b> kidney.</i>
<b>froward</b>	(of a person) difficult to deal with; contrary.
<b><u>impatient</u></b>	Restless or short-tempered under delay or opposition. <i><b>Impatient</b> with the slower students.</i>
<b>itinerant</b>	A laborer who moves from place to place as demanded by employment. <i><b>Itinerant</b> traders.</i>
<b>nervy</b>	Bold or impudent. <i>He was <b>nervy</b> and on edge.</i>
<b>nomadic</b>	Migratory. <i>The <b>nomadic</b> habits of the Bedouins.</i>
<b>nonconformist</b>	Characterized by behaviour or views that do not conform to prevailing ideas or practices. <i><b>Nonconformist</b> directors like Scorsese.</i>
<b>recalcitrant</b>	Stubbornly resistant to authority or control. <i>A class of <b>recalcitrant</b> fifteen year olds.</i>
<b>recusant</b>	Of or denoting a recusant. <i>Support for the exiled King was greatest among Catholic <b>recusants</b>.</i>
<b>refractory</b>	(of a person or animal) resistant to infection. <i>Healing of previously <b>refractory</b> ulcers.</i>
<b>restive</b>	(of a person) unable to remain still, silent, or submissive, especially because of boredom or dissatisfaction. <i>Both their horses became <b>restive</b> at once.</i>
<b>roam</b>	Use a mobile phone on another operator's network, typically while abroad. <i>Her eyes <b>roamed</b> over the chattering women.</i>
<b>unanimated</b>	Not animated or enlivened; dull. <i>He was very dry and <b>unanimated</b>.</i>
<b>unruly</b>	Unwilling to submit to authority. <i>The little boy's parents think he is spirited but his teacher finds him <b>unruly</b>.</i>

<b><u>unsatisfied</u></b>	Not satisfied. <i>The compromise left all sides <b>unsatisfied</b>.</i>
<b>unsettled</b>	Still in doubt. <i>An <b>unsettled</b> lifestyle.</i>
<b>vagabond</b>	Anything that resembles a vagabond in having no fixed place. <i>A <b>vagabond</b> poacher.</i>
<b><u>vagrant</u></b>	Relating to or living the life of a vagrant. <i><b>Vagrant</b> beggars.</i>
<b>wandering</b>	Of a path e.g. <i>A <b>wandering</b> preacher.</i>
<b>wayward</b>	Resistant to guidance or discipline. <i><b>Wayward</b> behavior.</i>

