

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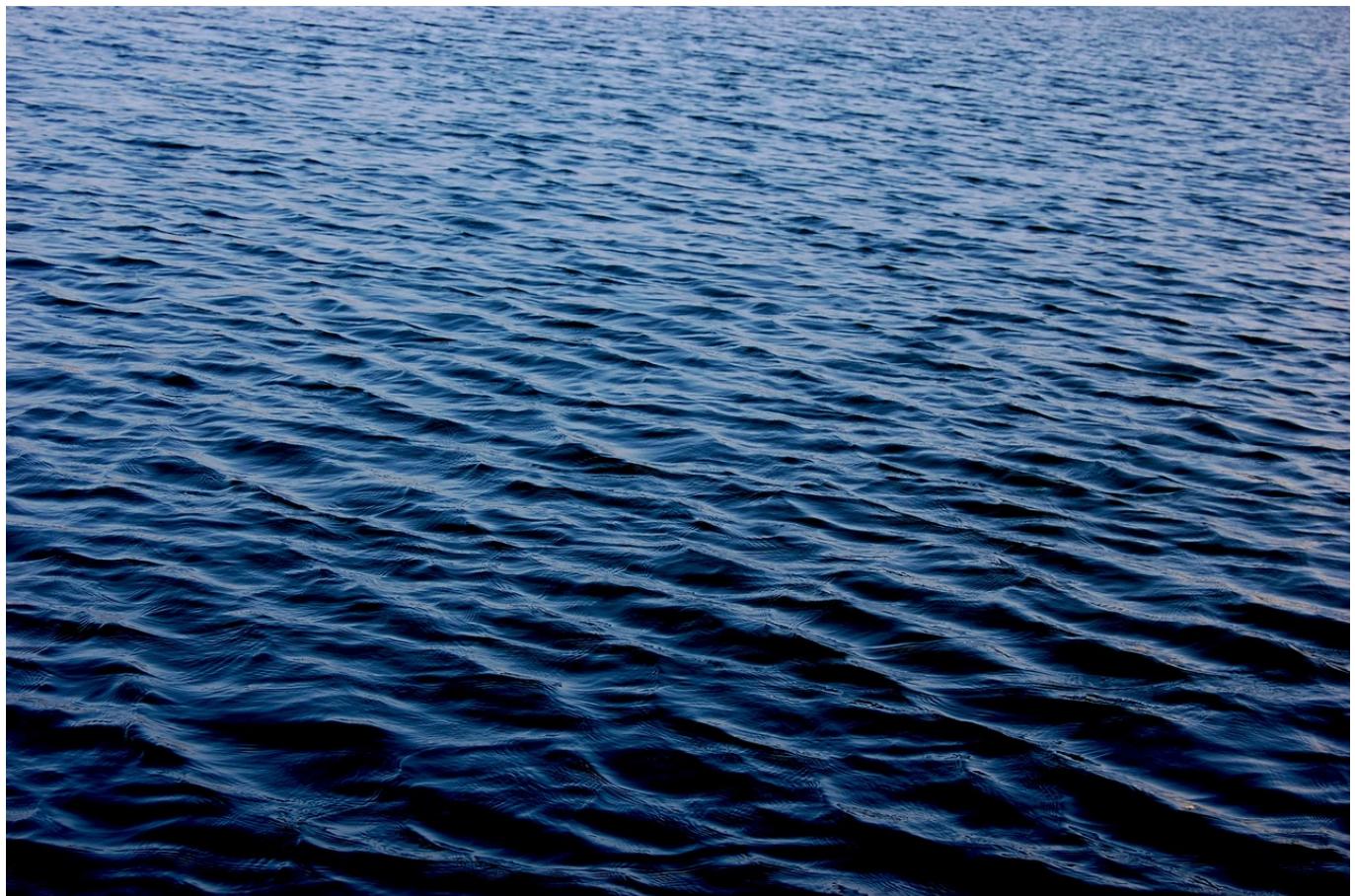
The synonyms of “Restless” are: **uneasy, ungratified, unsatisfied, ill at ease, restive, fidgety, edgy, tense, worked up, nervous, agitated, anxious, keyed up, apprehensive, unquiet, impatient, sleepless, wakeful, insomniac**

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)

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

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



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)

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

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

unsatisfied

Not satisfied.
*The compromise left all sides **unsatisfied**.*

unsettled

Still in doubt.
*An **unsettled** lifestyle.*

vagabond

Anything that resembles a vagabond in having no fixed place.
*A **vagabond** poacher.*

vagrant

Relating to or living the life of a vagrant.
***Vagrant** beggars.*

wandering

Of a path e.g.
*A **wandering** preacher.*

wayward

Resistant to guidance or discipline.
***Wayward** behavior.*

