

Need another word that means the same as "rigorous"? Find 48 synonyms and 30 related words for "rigorous" in this overview.

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The synonyms of "Rigorous" are: strict, stringent, tight, meticulous, punctilious, conscientious, careful, diligent, attentive, scrupulous, painstaking, exact, precise, accurate, correct, thorough, studious, exhaustive, mathematical, detailed, perfectionist, methodical, particular, religious, severe, stern, austere, spartan, tough, hard, harsh, rigid, cruel, savage, relentless, unsparing, inflexible, authoritarian, despotic, draconian, intransigent, uncompromising, demanding, exacting, bad, bleak, extreme, inclement

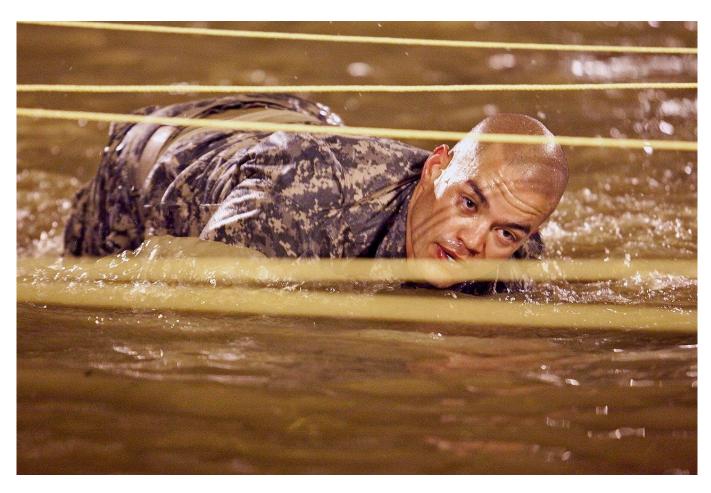
Rigorous as an Adjective

Definitions of "Rigorous" as an adjective

According to the Oxford Dictionary of English, "rigorous" as an adjective can have the following definitions:

- Rigidly accurate; allowing no deviation from a standard.
- Harsh and demanding.
- (of a rule, system, etc.) strictly applied or adhered to.
- Extremely thorough and careful.
- (of a person) adhering strictly to a belief or system.
- Demanding strict attention to rules and procedures.





Synonyms of "Rigorous" as an adjective (48 Words)

accurate Of an instrument or method capable of giving accurate information.

A player who can deliver long **accurate** passes to the wingers.

attentive (often followed by `to') giving care or attention.

The hotel has a pleasant atmosphere and **attentive** service.

Of a stern or strict bearing or demeanor; forbidding in aspect.

Conditions in the prison could hardly be more **austere**.

authoritarian Expecting unquestioning obedience.

An **authoritarian** regime.

Feeling physical discomfort or pain tough is occasionally used

colloquially for bad.

bad

A **bad** little boy.

bleak Offering little or no hope.

He paints a **bleak** picture of a company that has lost its way.



Full of cares or anxiety.

A careful consideration of the facts.

conscientious Wishing to do one's work or duty well and thoroughly.

A **conscientious** man he took his duties very seriously.

correct Socially right or correct.

The **correct** answer.

Able or disposed to inflict pain or suffering.

The winters are long hard and **cruel**.

Requiring more than usually expected or thought due; especially great

demanding patience and effort and skill.

Found the job very **demanding**.

despotic Of or typical of a despot; tyrannical.

Despotic rulers.

detailed Developed or executed with care and in minute detail- John Buchan.

A **detailed** plan.

diligent Having or showing care and conscientiousness in one's work or duties.

A diligent search of the files.

Of or relating to Draco or his harsh code of laws.

draconian The Nazis destroyed the independence of the press by a series of

draconian laws.

exact (of a person) accurate and careful about minor details.

The **exact** details were still being worked out.

exactingMaking great demands on one's skill, attention, or other resources.

The **exacting** standards laid down by the organic food industry.

exhaustive Including or considering all elements or aspects; fully comprehensive.

An **exhaustive** study.

extreme Beyond a norm in views or actions.

Expulsion is an **extreme** sanction.

hard Unfortunate or hard to bear.

Hard dry rolls left over from the day before.

harsh Cruel or severe.

Harsh guttural shouts.

inclement (of the weather) unpleasantly cold or wet.

Walkers should be prepared for **inclement** weather.

inflexible Not able to be bent; stiff.

Once she had made up her mind she was **inflexible**.



intransigent Impervious to pleas, persuasion, requests, reason.

An **intransigent** conservative opposed to every liberal tendency.

mathematical Statistically possible though highly improbable.

Have a **mathematical** chance of making the playoffs.

methodical Characterized by method and orderliness.

She was so **methodical** she kept everything documented.

Showing great attention to detail; very careful and precise.

Almost worryingly **meticulous** in his business formalities.

Characterized by extreme care and great effort.

He is a gentle **painstaking** man.

Separate and distinct from others of the same group or category.

A matter of **particular** and unusual importance.

perfectionist Refusing to accept any standard short of perfection.

Marked by exactness and accuracy of expression or detail.

I want as **precise** a time of death as I can get.

punctilious Marked by precise accordance with details.

Punctilious in his attention to rules of etiquette.

relentless Harsh or inflexible.

The **relentless** beat of the drums.

religious Extremely scrupulous and conscientious.

Both men were deeply **religious** and moralistic.

rigid Not able to be changed or adapted.

A seat of **rigid** orange plastic.

Savage Cruel and vicious; aggressively hostile.

A **savage** attack on the government.

scrupulous Characterized by extreme care and great effort.

She s too **scrupulous** to have an affair with a married man.

Severely simple.

A parent **severe** to the pitch of hostility.

spartan Unsparing and uncompromising in discipline or judgment.

A **spartan** diet.

stern Of a stern or strict bearing or demeanor forbidding in aspect.

A **stern** face.

strict Characterized by strictness severity or restraint.

A **strict** vegetarian.

Demanding strict attention to rules and procedures.

Stringent Stringent quidelines on air pollution.



studious Showing great care or attention.

Made a **studious** attempt to fix the television set.

thorough Performed comprehensively and completely.

A **thorough** nuisance.

Of a community or other group of people having close relations tight

tight knit.

The **tight** skin on your face may start to sag.

Feeling physical discomfort or pain tough is occasionally used

tough colloquially for bad.

We have six **tough** matches in a row.

uncompromising Not making concessions.

Took an **uncompromising** stance in the peace talks.

Very generous.

unsparing *Unsparing generosity.*

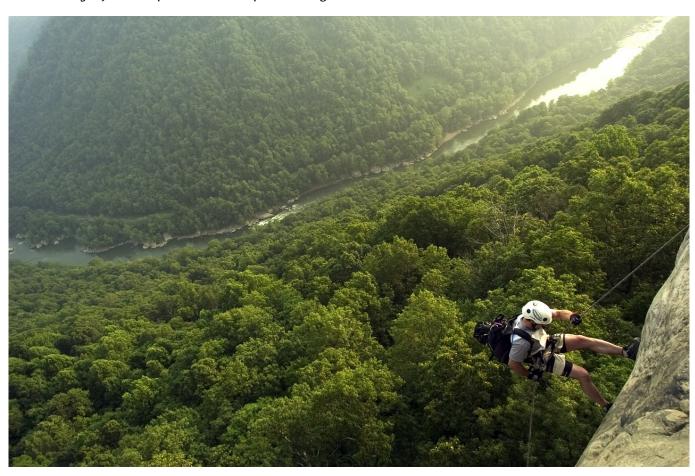






Usage Examples of "Rigorous" as an adjective

- Rigorous controls on mergers.
- A rigorous teetotaller.
- Rigorous application of the law.
- Rigorous discipline.
- The rigorous testing of consumer products.
- Many of the expedition had passed rigorous SAS courses.



Associations of "Rigorous" (30 Words)

asperity Harshness of manner.

The **asperity** of northern winters.

austere Practicing great self-denial- William James.

A desert nomad s **austere** life.



(of laws or their application) excessively harsh and severe.

draconian The Nazis destroyed the independence of the press by a series of **draconian**

laws.

Having complicated nutritional requirements; especially growing only in

exacting special artificial cultures.

An **exacting** job.

firm Marked by firm determination or resolution not shakable.

A firm ally.

hard Causing great damage or hardship.

Efforts to turn psychology into **hard** science.

harsh (of a climate or conditions) difficult to survive in; hostile.

The **harsh** white light makes you screw up your eyes.

inflexible Unwilling to change or compromise.

Heavy **inflexible** armour.

A person who demands complete obedience; a strict disciplinarian.

martinet The woman in charge was a **martinet** who treated all those beneath her like

children.

moralist Someone who demands exact conformity to rules and forms.

obduracy Resoluteness by virtue of being unyielding and inflexible.

pitiless (especially of weather) unrelentingly harsh or severe.

A night of **pitiless** rain.

resolved Explained or answered.

Constance was **resolved** not to cry.

rigid Unable to bend or be forced out of shape; not flexible.

The College had not wanted to be too **rigid** in imposing teaching methods.

rigor The quality of being valid and rigorous.

The **rigor**s of boot camp.

The quality of being extremely thorough and careful.

The full **rigour** of the law.

Severely simple.

A severe shortage of technicians.

Strictly or harshly.

Her hair was **severely** pulled back into a bun.

.. Excessive sternness.

rigour

Severity

Sentences should reflect the **severity** of the crime.

Unsparing and uncompromising in discipline or judgment.

Spartan Spartan courage.



stern Of a stern or strict bearing or demeanor forbidding in aspect.

Stern measures to restrict vehicle growth.

stoutly In a resolute manner.

The houses are built **stoutly** of granite.

strict Characterized by strictness severity or restraint.

A **strict** upbringing.

strictly Restricted to something.

That visit was **strictly** business.

stringency Conscientious attention to rules and details.

Demanding strict attention to rules and procedures.

stringent Stringent safety measures.

stringently The largest manner.

The laws are **stringently** enforced.

In a disciplined or well coordinated manner.

A tightly sealed container.

Incapable of adapting or changing to meet circumstances.

unbending His output is prodigious and springs from the **unbending** control he exercises

over every aspect of his life.

unkind Inconsiderate and harsh to others.

A thoughtless and **unkind** remark.



