

Need another word that means the same as “rudimentary”? Find 22 synonyms and 30 related words for “rudimentary” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Rudimentary” are: vestigial, fundamental, underlying, basic, elementary, introductory, early, primary, initial, first, primitive, crude, simple, unsophisticated, rough, rough and ready, makeshift, rude, undeveloped, incomplete, embryonic, immature

Rudimentary as an Adjective

Definitions of "Rudimentary" as an adjective

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

- *Not fully developed in mature animals.*
- *Being or involving basic facts or principles.*
- *Being in the earliest stages of development.*
- *Involving or limited to basic principles.*
- *Relating to an immature, undeveloped, or basic form.*

Synonyms of "Rudimentary" as an adjective (22 Words)

[basic](#)

Having tastes, interests, or attitudes regarded as mainstream or conventional (typically used of a woman).
*Certain **basic** rules must be obeyed.*

[crude](#)

Belonging to an early stage of technical development characterized by simplicity and often crudeness.
*The **crude** facts.*

early	Being or occurring at an early stage of development. <i>Early varieties of peas and tomatoes mature before most standard varieties.</i>
elementary	Of or pertaining to or characteristic of elementary school or elementary education. <i>An elementary need for love and nurturing.</i>
embryonic	Relating to an embryo. <i>An embryonic nation not yet self governing.</i>
first	Serving to set in motion. <i>His first political race.</i>
fundamental	Being or involving basic facts or principles. <i>An example that was fundamental to the argument.</i>
immature	In an early period of life or development or growth. <i>Many of the fish caught are immature.</i>
incomplete	Not full or finished. <i>An incomplete forward pass.</i>
initial	Occurring at the beginning. <i>Our initial impression was favourable.</i>
introductory	Serving as an introduction to a subject or topic; basic or preliminary. <i>Began the slide show with some introductory remarks.</i>
makeshift	Acting as an interim and temporary measure. <i>Arranging a row of chairs to form a makeshift bed.</i>
primary	Of primary importance. <i>Seed eating birds and herbivorous insects are primary consumers.</i>
primitive	Belonging to an early stage of technical development; characterized by simplicity and (often) crudeness. <i>The okapi is a short necked primitive cousin of the giraffe.</i>
rough	Unpleasantly stern. <i>It ll cost about 50 at a rough guess.</i>
rough and ready	Ready and able to resort to force or violence- Herman Melville.
rude	Belonging to an early stage of technical development characterized by simplicity and often crudeness. <i>Isabel had always been in rude health.</i>
simple	Having few parts; not complex or complicated or involved. <i>A simple white blouse.</i>

<u>underlying</u>	Significant as a cause or basis of something but not necessarily manifest or obvious. <i>The flu can be particularly severe for the elderly and those with underlying conditions.</i>
undeveloped	Undeveloped or unused. <i>Undeveloped social awareness.</i>
<u>unsophisticated</u>	Not wise in the ways of the world. <i>The nightlife of Montmartre awed the unsophisticated tourists.</i>
vestigial	Not fully developed in mature animals. <i>The vestigial wings of kiwis are entirely hidden.</i>

Usage Examples of "Rudimentary" as an adjective

- *Rudimentary wings.*
- *These rudimentary truths.*
- *He received a rudimentary education.*
- *Rudimentary plans.*
- *A rudimentary stage of evolution.*

Associations of "Rudimentary" (30 Words)

<u>applied</u>	Concerned with concrete problems or data rather than with fundamental principles. <i>Applied psychology.</i>
<u>basal</u>	Of or being the essential or basic part. <i>Basal epidermal cells.</i>
<u>basic</u>	Serving as a base or starting point. <i>I learnt the basics of programming on a course.</i>
basilar	Of or relating to or located at the base. <i>The basilar membrane of the cochlea.</i>
<u>cornerstone</u>	An important quality or feature on which a particular thing depends or is based. <i>A national minimum wage remained the cornerstone of policy.</i>
<u>elemental</u>	Relating to severe atmospheric conditions- J.K.Howard. <i>A thunderstorm is the inevitable outcome of battling elemental forces.</i>
<u>elementary</u>	Of or pertaining to or characteristic of elementary school or elementary education. <i>An elementary astronomy course.</i>

elements	Violent or severe weather viewed as caused by the action of the four elements. <i>They felt the full fury of the elements.</i>
essential	(of a disease) with no known external stimulus or cause; idiopathic. <i>He was quick to grasp the essentials of an opponent's argument.</i>
essentially	In essence; at bottom or by one's (or its) very nature. <i>Essentially they are amateurs.</i>
essentialness	Basic importance.
firsthand	From the original source; directly. <i>I heard this story firsthand.</i>
fundamental	A fundamental note tone or frequency. <i>The fundamental problem remains that of the housing shortage.</i>
fundamentally	Used to make an emphatic statement about the basic truth of something. <i>Fundamentally this is a matter for doctors.</i>
indispensability	The quality possessed by something that you cannot possibly do without.
leading	Having the leading position or higher score in a contest. <i>The leading man.</i>
main	Of force; of the greatest possible intensity. <i>The main doors were of solid glass.</i>
nutshell	Any of a number of bivalve molluscs occurring chiefly in cool seas.
premise	State or presuppose something as a premise. <i>The reforms were premised on our findings.</i>
preschool	A nursery school. <i>A preschool playgroup.</i>
prima	Used primarily as eating apples. <i>Prima ballerina.</i>
primarily	For the most part; mainly. <i>This is primarily a question of economics.</i>
primary	A primary colour. <i>The primary stage of their political education.</i>
prime	A prime number. <i>The novel is a prime example of the genre.</i>
principal	An actor who plays a principal role. <i>The country's principal cities.</i>
radical	A person who has radical ideas or opinions. <i>In the body free radicals are high energy particles that ricochet wildly and damage cells.</i>

radically	In a radical manner. <i>The two situations are radically different.</i>
rudiment	The first principles of (a subject). <i>The rudiments of a hot water system.</i>
<u>staple</u>	A piece of thin wire with two short right angled end pieces which are driven by a stapler through sheets of paper to fasten them together. <i>Merrill stapled a batch of papers together.</i>
<u>underlying</u>	Lying or situated under something. <i>The flu can be particularly severe for the elderly and those with underlying conditions.</i>