

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.*

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

<b><u>underlying</u></b>	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 <b>underlying</b> conditions.</i>
<b>undeveloped</b>	Undeveloped or unused. <i><b>Undeveloped</b> social awareness.</i>
<b><u>unsophisticated</u></b>	Not wise in the ways of the world. <i>The nightlife of Montmartre awed the <b>unsophisticated</b> tourists.</i>
<b>vestigial</b>	Not fully developed in mature animals. <i>The <b>vestigial</b> 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)

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

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

<b>radically</b>	In a radical manner. <i>The two situations are <b>radically</b> different.</i>
<b>rudiment</b>	The first principles of (a subject). <i>The <b>rudiments</b> of a hot water system.</i>
<b><u>staple</u></b>	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 <b>stapled</b> a batch of papers together.</i>
<b><u>underlying</u></b>	Lying or situated under something. <i>The flu can be particularly severe for the elderly and those with <b>underlying</b> conditions.</i>