

Need another word that means the same as “scandalous”? Find 35 synonyms for “scandalous” in this overview.

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Scandalous as an Adjective

Definitions of "Scandalous" as an adjective

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

- *Giving offense to moral sensibilities and injurious to reputation.*
- *(of a state of affairs) disgracefully bad.*
- *Causing general public outrage by a perceived offence against morality or law.*
- *Giving offense to moral sensibilities and injurious to reputation- Thackeray.*

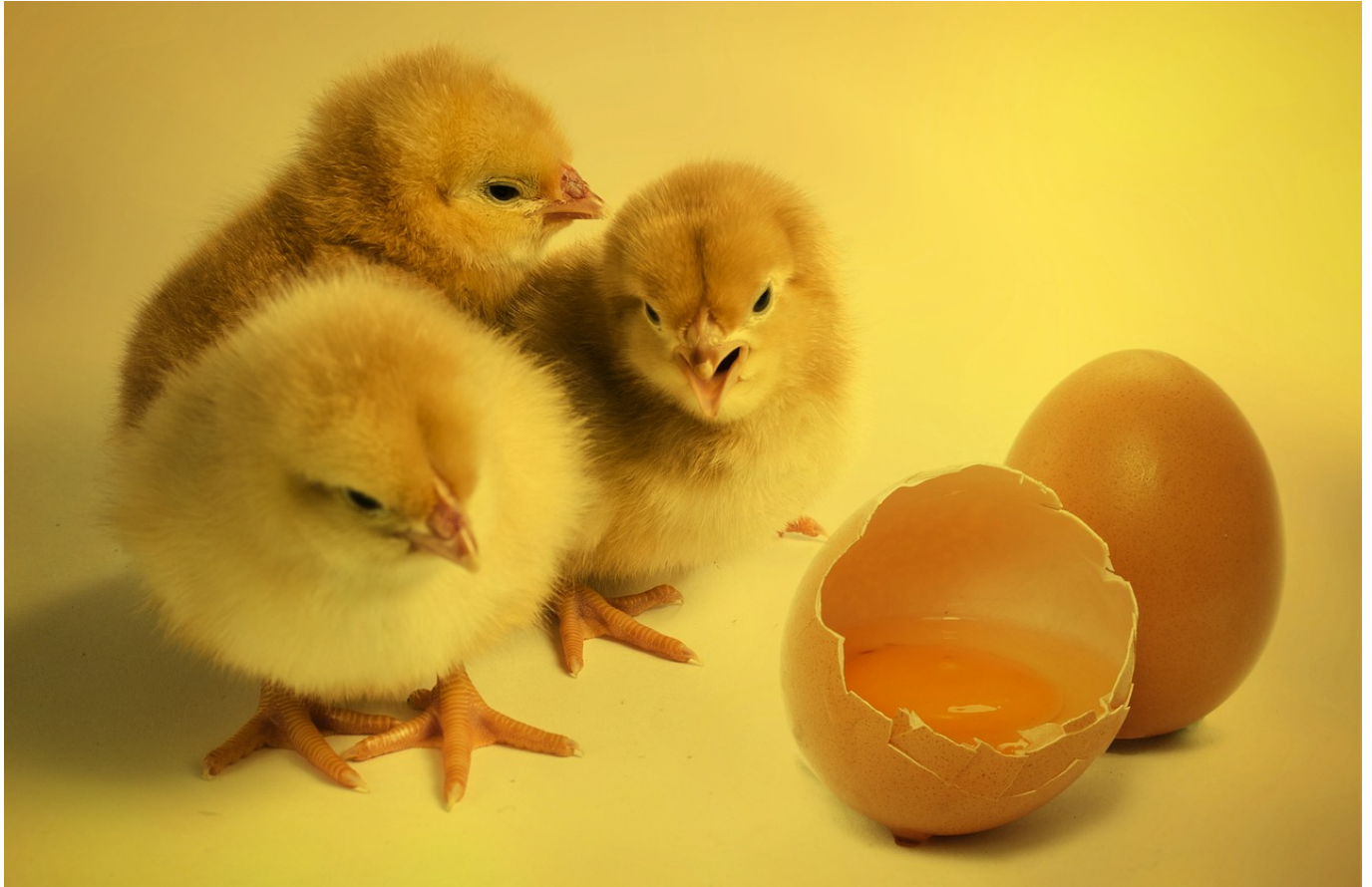


Synonyms of "Scandalous" as an adjective (35 Words)

<u>abhorrent</u>	Inspiring disgust and loathing; repugnant. <i>Racism was abhorrent to us all.</i>
<u>appalling</u>	Causing shock or dismay; horrific. <i>Appalling conditions.</i>
<u>atrocious</u>	Provoking horror. <i>Atrocious taste.</i>
criminal	Relating to crime as opposed to civil matters. <i>A criminal offense.</i>
defamatory	(of remarks, writing, etc.) damaging the good reputation of someone; slanderous or libellous. <i>A defamatory allegation.</i>
deplorable	Deserving strong condemnation; completely unacceptable. <i>My finances were in a deplorable state.</i>

despicable	Deserving hatred and contempt. <i>Would do something as despicable as murder.</i>
discreditable	Tending to bring discredit or disrepute; blameworthy. <i>Allegations of discreditable conduct.</i>
<u>disgraceful</u>	Giving offense to moral sensibilities and injurious to reputation. <i>It is disgraceful that they should be denied unemployment benefits.</i>
disgusting	Arousing revulsion or strong indignation. <i>I think the decision is disgusting.</i>
dishonourable	Lacking honor or integrity; deserving dishonor. <i>His crimes are petty and dishonourable.</i>
disreputable	Not considered to be respectable in character or appearance. <i>He was heavy grubby and vaguely disreputable.</i>
<u>dreadful</u>	Extremely disagreeable and unpleasant. <i>Dreadful manners.</i>
<u>improper</u>	Lacking in modesty or decency. <i>Improper banking practices.</i>
inexcusable	Not excusable. <i>Matt s behaviour was inexcusable.</i>
iniquitous	Grossly unfair and morally wrong. <i>An iniquitous tax.</i>
insupportable	Unable to be supported or justified. <i>He had arrived at a wholly insupportable conclusion.</i>
intolerable	Unable to be endured. <i>An intolerable degree of sentimentality.</i>
libellous	Containing or constituting a libel. <i>A libellous newspaper story.</i>
<u>malicious</u>	Having the nature of or resulting from malice- Rudyard Kipling. <i>Malicious gossip.</i>
monstrous	Inhumanly or outrageously evil or wrong. <i>He wasn t lovable he was monstrous and violent.</i>
obscene	Offending against moral principles; repugnant. <i>Obscene telephone calls.</i>
<u>outrageous</u>	Shockingly bad or excessive. <i>The outrageous claims made by the previous government.</i>
<u>reprehensible</u>	Deserving censure or condemnation. <i>His complacency and reprehensible laxity.</i>

scurrilous	Making or spreading scandalous claims about someone with the intention of damaging their reputation. <i>A very funny collection of bawdy and scurrilous writings.</i>
shameful	Deserving or bringing disgrace or shame- Rachel Carson. <i>The wicked rascally shameful conduct of the bankrupt.</i>
shocking	Glaringly vivid and graphic; marked by sensationalism. <i>I ve got a shocking cold.</i>
sinful	Wicked and immoral; committing or characterized by the committing of sins. <i>He said it was sinful to wear lipstick.</i>
slanderous	Harmful and often untrue; tending to discredit or malign. <i>Slanderous allegations.</i>
sordid	Morally degraded. <i>The story paints a sordid picture of bribes and scams.</i>
terrible	Exceptionally bad or displeasing. <i>A terrible curse.</i>
unforgivable	Not excusable. <i>Losing your temper with him was unforgivable.</i>
unpardonable	Not admitting of pardon. <i>Unpardonable behavior.</i>
unseemly	Not in keeping with accepted standards of what is right or proper in polite society. <i>An unseemly squabble.</i>
wicked	Evil or morally wrong. <i>A wicked prank.</i>



Usage Examples of "Scandalous" as an adjective

- *A series of scandalous liaisons.*
- *A scandalous waste of ratepayers' money.*
- *A scandalous allegation.*
- *Scandalous behavior.*

