

Need another word that means the same as “scornful”? Find 18 synonyms and 30 related words for “scornful” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Scornful” are: contemptuous, disdainful, insulting, full of contempt, derisive, derisory, withering, mocking, scoffing, sneering, jeering, scathing, snide, disparaging, slighting, supercilious, superior, dismissive**

## Scornful as an Adjective

### Definitions of "Scornful" as an adjective

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

- *Feeling or expressing contempt or derision.*
- *Expressing extreme contempt.*

### Synonyms of "Scornful" as an adjective (18 Words)

<b><a href="#">contemptuous</a></b>	Expressing extreme contempt. <i>She was intolerant and <b>contemptuous</b> of the majority of the human race.</i>
<b>derisive</b>	Expressing contempt or ridicule. <i>He gave a harsh <b>derisive</b> laugh.</i>
<b>derisory</b>	Ridiculously small or inadequate. <i>They were given a <b>derisory</b> pay rise.</i>
<b>disdainful</b>	Showing contempt or lack of respect. <i>Some economists are <b>disdainful</b> of their colleagues in other social disciplines.</i>

<b>dismissive</b>	Stopping to associate with. <i>Chronic fatigue syndrome was known by the <b>dismissive</b> term housewife syndrome.</i>
<b>disparaging</b>	Expressing the opinion that something is of little worth; derogatory. <i><b>Disparaging</b> remarks about council houses.</i>
<b>full of contempt</b>	Complete in extent or degree and in every particular.
<b>insulting</b>	Expressing extreme contempt. <i><b>Insulting</b> remarks.</i>
<b>jeering</b>	Making rude and mocking remarks, typically in a loud voice. <i>A <b>jeering</b> crowd.</i>
<b>mocking</b>	Playfully vexing (especially by ridicule)- Lawrence Durrell. <i>He got jeers and <b>mocking</b> laughter as he addressed the marchers.</i>
<b>scathing</b>	Marked by harshly abusive criticism. <i>His <b>scathing</b> remarks about silly lady novelists.</i>
<b>coffing</b>	Contemptuously ridiculing or mocking someone or something. <i>A <b>coffing</b> cabin crew tells her there s no shower on the plane.</i>
<b>slighting</b>	Tending to diminish or disparage. <i>A <b>slighting</b> remark.</i>
<b>sneering</b>	Expressive of contempt. <i>He made a <b>sneering</b> comment about their closeness.</i>
<b>snide</b>	Derogatory or mocking in an indirect way. <i>A <b>snide</b> divorce lawyer.</i>
<b>supercilious</b>	Expressive of contempt. <i>Curled his lip in a <b>supercilious</b> smile.</i>
<b>superior</b>	Of high or superior quality or performance. <i><b>Superior</b> wisdom derived from experience.</i>
<b>withering</b>	Wreaking or capable of wreaking complete destruction. <i>A <b>withering</b> look.</i>

## Usage Examples of "Scornful" as an adjective

- *The opposition were scornful of the Prime Minister's proposal.*
- *Scornful laughter.*

## Associations of "Scornful" (30 Words)

**condemning** Containing or imposing condemnation or censure.

<b><u>contempt</u></b>	A manner that is generally disrespectful and contemptuous. <i>Pam stared at the girl with total <b>contempt</b>.</i>
<b><u>contemptuous</u></b>	Showing contempt; scornful. <i>She was intolerant and <b>contemptuous</b> of the majority of the human race.</i>
<b>criticism</b>	The expression of disapproval of someone or something on the basis of perceived faults or mistakes. <i>Alternative methods of <b>criticism</b> supported by well developed literary theories.</i>
<b><u>curt</u></b>	Marked by rude or peremptory shortness. <i>His reply was <b>curt</b>.</i>
<b><u>cynical</u></b>	Believing that people are motivated purely by self-interest; distrustful of human sincerity or integrity. <i>He gave a <b>cynical</b> laugh.</i>
<b>derision</b>	Contemptuous ridicule or mockery. <i>My stories were greeted with <b>derision</b> and disbelief.</i>
<b>despise</b>	Feel contempt or a deep repugnance for. <i>He <b>despises</b> the people he has to work for.</i>
<b><u>discourteous</u></b>	Lacking social graces. <i>It would be unkind and <b>discourteous</b> to decline a visit.</i>
<b><u>dismissive</u></b>	Showing indifference or disregard. <i>A <b>dismissive</b> shrug.</i>
<b>disrespectful</b>	Neither feeling nor showing respect. <i><b>Disrespectful</b> toward his teacher.</i>
<b><u>hatred</u></b>	Intense dislike; hate. <i>His murderous <b>hatred</b> of his brother.</i>
<b>impolite</b>	Not polite. <i>It would have been <b>impolite</b> to refuse.</i>
<b>indignity</b>	Treatment or circumstances that cause one to feel shame or to lose one's dignity. <i>The <b>indignity</b> of needing financial help.</i>
<b><u>insolent</u></b>	Marked by casual disrespect. <i>She hated the <b>insolent</b> tone of his voice.</i>
<b>insulting</b>	Expressing extreme contempt. <i><b>Insulting</b> remarks.</i>
<b><u>irony</u></b>	Witty language used to convey insults or scorn—Jonathan Swif. <i>Don t go overboard with the gratitude he rejoined with heavy <b>irony</b>.</i>

<b>misanthrope</b>	A person who dislikes humankind and avoids human society. <i>Scrooge wasn't the mean spirited <b>misanthrope</b> most of us believe him to be.</i>
<b>misanthropy</b>	A disposition to dislike and mistrust other people. <i>The streak of <b>misanthropy</b> in his nature.</i>
<b>mocking</b>	Playfully vexing (especially by ridicule). <i>Her <b>mocking</b> smile.</i>
<b>parody</b>	Make a parody of. <i>The film is a <b>parody</b> of the horror genre.</i>
<b>ridicule</b>	Subject to laughter or ridicule. <i>The satirists <b>ridiculed</b> the plans for a new opera house.</i>
<b>rude</b>	Belonging to an early stage of technical development characterized by simplicity and often crudeness. <i>The <b>crude</b> weapons and <b>rude</b> agricultural implements of early man.</i>
<b>sarcastic</b>	Marked by or given to using irony in order to mock or convey contempt. <i>I think they're being <b>sarcastic</b>.</i>
<b>sardonic</b>	Disdainfully or ironically humorous; scornful and mocking- Frank Schoenberner- Irwin Edman. <i>His rebellion is the bitter <b>sardonic</b> laughter of all great satirists.</i>
<b>satirical</b>	Containing or using satire. <i>A New York based <b>satirical</b> magazine.</i>
<b>sneering</b>	Expressive of contempt. <i>It will take a concerted effort from many to lay off the <b>sneering</b> and try understanding.</i>
<b>sneer</b>	An unpleasant or underhand person. <i><b>Sneer</b> Rolex watches.</i>
<b>teasing</b>	Playfully vexing (especially by ridicule)- Lawrence Durrell. <i>A <b>teasing</b> and persistent thought annoyed him.</i>
<b>withering</b>	Wreaking or capable of wreaking complete destruction. <i>Protective cover to escape <b>withering</b> heat.</i>