

Need another word that means the same as “senile”? Find 17 synonyms and 30 related words for “senile” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Senile” are: doddering, dodder, gaga, decrepit, aged, long in the tooth, senescent, failing, declining, infirm, feeble, unsteady, in one's dotage, in one's second childhood, suffering from alzheimer's, suffering from alzheimer's disease, suffering from senile dementia**

## Senile as an Adjective

### Definitions of "Senile" as an adjective

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

- *(of a condition) characteristic of or caused by old age.*
- *(of a person) having or showing the weaknesses or diseases of old age, especially a loss of mental faculties.*
- *Mentally or physically infirm with age.*



## Synonyms of "Senile" as an adjective (17 Words)

<a href="#"><u>aged</u></a>	Aging as a preservative process aged is pronounced as one syllable. <i>He died <b>aged</b> 60.</i>
<b>declining</b>	Diminishing in strength or quality; deteriorating. <i><b>Declining</b> budgets.</i>
<a href="#"><u>decrepit</u></a>	(of a person) elderly and infirm. <i>A row of <b>decrepit</b> houses.</i>
<b>doddering</b>	Mentally or physically infirm with age. <i>His mother was <b>doddering</b> and frail.</i>
<b>doddery</b>	Slow and unsteady in movement because of weakness in old age. <i>He s a bit <b>doddery</b> on his legs and doesn t get about much.</i>
<b>failing</b>	Below acceptable in performance. <i>Received <b>failing</b> grades.</i>
<a href="#"><u>feeble</u></a>	Pathetically lacking in force or effectiveness. <i><b>Feeble</b> efforts.</i>
<b>gaga</b>	Very enthusiastic and excited about someone or something. <i><b>Gaga</b> over the rock group s new album.</i>
<b>in one's dotage</b>	Holding office.
<b>in one's second childhood</b>	Currently fashionable.
<b>infirm</b>	(of a person or their judgement) weak; irresolute. <i><b>Infirm</b> of purpose give me the daggers.</i>
<b>long in the tooth</b>	Good at remembering.
<b>senescent</b>	Growing old.
<b>suffering from alzheimer's</b>	Troubled by pain or loss.
<b>suffering from alzheimer's disease</b>	Troubled by pain or loss.
<b>suffering from senile dementia</b>	Very unhappy; full of misery.
<a href="#"><u>unsteady</u></a>	Not firmly or solidly positioned. <i>His deep voice was <b>unsteady</b>.</i>



## Usage Examples of "Senile" as an adjective

- *She couldn't cope with her senile husband.*
- *Senile decay.*



## Associations of "Senile" (30 Words)

aged

Aging as a preservative process aged is pronounced as one syllable.  
*Special arrangements were available for the **aged**.*

aging

Acquiring desirable qualities by being left undisturbed for some time.

**amnesia**

Partial or total loss of memory.  
*They were suffering from **amnesia**.*

**crone**

An ugly old woman.

decrepitude

The state of being decrepit.  
*He had passed directly from middle age into **decrepitude**.*

**dementia**

A chronic or persistent disorder of the mental processes caused by brain disease or injury and marked by memory disorders, personality changes, and impaired reasoning.

<b>dotage</b>	Mental infirmity as a consequence of old age; sometimes shown by foolish infatuations. <i>You could live here and look after me in my <b>dotage</b>.</i>
<b>elderly</b>	(of a person) old or ageing. <i>An <b>elderly</b> relative.</i>
<b><u>emaciated</u></b>	Very thin especially from disease or hunger or cold. <i>She was so <b>emaciated</b> she could hardly stand.</i>
<b>emaciation</b>	Extreme leanness (usually caused by starvation or disease). <i>Thin to the point of <b>emaciation</b>.</i>
<b>epilepsy</b>	A disorder of the central nervous system characterized by loss of consciousness and convulsions.
<b>fading</b>	Weakening in force or intensity.
<b>forgetfulness</b>	Lapse of memory. <i>His <b>forgetfulness</b> increased as he grew older.</i>
<b><u>frail</u></b>	The weight of a frail basket full of raisins or figs between 50 and 75 pounds. <i>The balcony is <b>frail</b>.</i>
<b>incompetent</b>	An incompetent person. <i><b>Incompetent</b> at chess.</i>
<b>infirm</b>	(of a person or their judgement) weak; irresolute. <i>Those who were old or <b>infirm</b>.</i>
<b>infirmity</b>	The state of being weak in health or body (especially from old age). <i>Old age and <b>infirmity</b> come to men and women alike.</i>
<b>migraine</b>	A severe recurring vascular headache; occurs more frequently in women than men. <i>An attack of <b>migraine</b>.</i>
<b><u>oblivion</u></b>	The state of being disregarded or forgotten. <i>Only our armed forces stood between us and <b>oblivion</b>.</i>
<b>osteoporosis</b>	Abnormal loss of bony tissue resulting in fragile porous bones attributable to a lack of calcium; most common in postmenopausal women.
<b><u>premature</u></b>	Occurring or done before the usual or proper time; too early. <i>A <b>premature</b> infant.</i>
<b>psychosis</b>	A severe mental disorder in which thought and emotions are so impaired that contact is lost with external reality. <i>They were suffering from a <b>psychosis</b>.</i>
<b>rickety</b>	Lacking bodily or muscular strength or vitality. <i><b>Rickety</b> limbs and joints.</i>

<b>schizophrenia</b>	<p>A long-term mental disorder of a type involving a breakdown in the relation between thought, emotion, and behaviour, leading to faulty perception, inappropriate actions and feelings, withdrawal from reality and personal relationships into fantasy and delusion, and a sense of mental fragmentation.</p> <p><i>Gibraltar s <b>schizophrenia</b> continues to be fed by colonial pride.</i></p>
<b>senescence</b>	<p>The property characteristic of old age.</p>
<b>senescent</b>	<p>Growing old.</p>
<b>senility</b>	<p>The condition of being senile.</p> <p><i>The onset of <b>senility</b>.</i></p>
<b>senior</b>	<p>A student in one of the higher forms of a senior school.</p> <p><i>Henry James <b>senior</b>.</i></p>
<b>spinster</b>	<p>Someone who spins (who twists fibers into threads.</p>
<b>weakly</b>	<p>In a way that lacks strength or force.</p> <p><i>If the lambs were <b>weakly</b> we had to feed them by hand.</i></p>

