

Need another word that means the same as “sensitive”? Find 28 synonyms and 30 related words for “sensitive” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Sensitive” are: raw, sore, tender, sensible, responsive to, quick to respond to, reactive to, sentient of, delicate, fragile, tactful, careful, thoughtful, diplomatic, subtle, kid-glove, thin-skinned, touchy, oversensitive, hypersensitive, defensive, private, personal, intimate, privileged, quiet, medium, spiritualist

Sensitive as a Noun

Definitions of "Sensitive" as a noun

According to the [Oxford Dictionary of English](#), “sensitive” as a noun can have the following definitions:

- *Someone who serves as an intermediary between the living and the dead.*
- *A person who is believed to respond to paranormal influences.*



Synonyms of "Sensitive" as a noun (2 Words)

medium

The middle quality or state between two extremes; a reasonable balance.

*These cells are grown in a nutrient rich **medium**.*

Someone who serves as an intermediary between the living and the dead.

spiritualist *He became an ardent **spiritualist** attending seances and insisting on their authenticity.*



Sensitive as an Adjective

Definitions of "Sensitive" as an adjective

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

- *Hurting.*
- *Being susceptible to the attitudes, feelings, or circumstances of others.*
- *Of or pertaining to classified information or matters affecting national security.*
- *Quick to detect or respond to slight changes, signals, or influences.*
- *Responsive to physical stimuli.*
- *Having or displaying a quick and delicate appreciation of others' feelings.*

- *Able to feel or perceive.*
- *(of photographic materials) prepared so as to respond rapidly to the action of light.*
- *Easily damaged, injured, or distressed by slight changes.*
- *(of a market) unstable and liable to quick changes of price because of outside influences.*
- *Kept secret or with restrictions on disclosure to avoid endangering security.*
- *Easily offended or upset.*



Synonyms of "Sensitive" as an adjective (26 Words)

careful

Full of cares or anxiety-Luke 10.41.
*A **careful** consideration of the facts.*

defensive

Intended or appropriate for defending against or deterring aggression or attack.
*A poor **defensive** record.*

delicate	Developed with extreme delicacy and subtlety. <i>Almost undetectable with even the most delicate instruments.</i>
diplomatic	Using or marked by tact in dealing with sensitive matters or people. <i>He tried his best to be diplomatic.</i>
fragile	Easily destroyed or threatened. <i>You have a fragile grip on reality.</i>
hypersensitive	Easily hurt, worried, or offended. <i>Hypersensitive to pollen.</i>
intimate	Having or fostering a warm or friendly and informal atmosphere. <i>Intimate friends.</i>
kid-glove	Showing skill and sensitivity in dealing with people.
oversensitive	(especially of a person or an instrument) excessively sensitive. <i>Bentley was oversensitive to criticism.</i>
personal	Concerning or affecting a particular person or his or her private life and personality. <i>He rejected the notion of a personal God.</i>
private	Concerning things deeply private and personal. <i>Private lessons.</i>
privileged	Having been granted a special honour. <i>In the nineteenth century only a privileged few had the vote.</i>
quick to respond to	Accomplished rapidly and without delay.
quiet	(of the sun) characterized by a low level of surface phenomena, such as sunspots. <i>The street below was quiet little traffic braving the snow.</i>
raw	Brutally unfair or harsh. <i>There were a number of errors in the raw data.</i>
reactive to	Reacting to a stimulus.
responsive to	Readily reacting or replying to people or events or stimuli; showing emotion.
sensible	Showing reason or sound judgment. <i>The sensible universe.</i>
sentient of	Consciously perceiving- W.A.White.
sore	(of a part of one's body) painful or aching. <i>I didn't even know they were sore at us.</i>
subtle	(of a mixture or effect) delicately complex and understated. <i>He tried a more subtle approach.</i>

tactful	Showing skill and sensitivity in dealing with people. <i>A tactful remark eased her embarrassment.</i>
tender	Hurting. <i>Tender loving care.</i>
thin-skinned	Quick to take offense.
thoughtful	Taking heed giving close and thoughtful attention. <i>How very thoughtful of you.</i>
touchy	Difficult to handle; requiring great tact. <i>She s a little touchy about her age.</i>



Usage Examples of "Sensitive" as an adjective

- *The committee called for improved protection of wildlife in environmentally sensitive areas.*
- *I suppose I shouldn't be so sensitive.*
- *The new method of protein detection was more sensitive than earlier ones.*
- *Sensitive skin.*
- *The Japanese were successfully entering many of the most sensitive markets.*
- *A sensitive voltmeter.*
- *Sensitive to light.*

- *I pay tribute to the Minister for his sensitive handling of the bill.*
- *Sensitive to the local community and its needs.*
- *He was suspected of passing sensitive information to other countries.*
- *A mimosa's leaves are sensitive to touch.*
- *Spiders are sensitive to vibrations on their web.*



Associations of "Sensitive" (30 Words)

- adaptability** The capacity to be modified for a new use or purpose.
*This is a good example of the **adaptability** of listed buildings.*
- agility** Ability to move quickly and easily.
*Though he was without formal training as dancer or athlete his physical **agility** was inexhaustible.*
- answer** Give the correct answer or solution to.
*He said he would return to Spain to **answer** all charges.*

answering	Replying. <i>An answering smile.</i>
cognizant	Having or showing knowledge or understanding or realization or perception. <i>Statesmen must be cognizant of the political boundaries within which they work.</i>
<u>considerate</u>	Showing careful thought. <i>Friends considerate enough to leave us alone.</i>
<u>contemplative</u>	A person devoted to the contemplative life. <i>She regarded me with a contemplative eye.</i>
dedicated	Solemnly dedicated to or set apart for a high purpose. <i>A chapel dedicated to the dead of World War II.</i>
delicate	A delicate fabric or garment. <i>A delicate sweet flavour.</i>
flexibility	The quality of bending easily without breaking. <i>I enjoyed the flexibility of the schedule.</i>
<u>impressionable</u>	Easily impressed or influenced. <i>An impressionable age.</i>
labile	Liabile to change. <i>The breakage of labile bonds.</i>
meditative	Deeply or seriously thoughtful. <i>Meditative techniques.</i>
pensive	Showing pensive sadness. <i>A pensive mood.</i>
poll	Vote in an election at a polling station. <i>Over half of those polled do not believe the prime minister usually tells the truth.</i>
<u>react</u>	Show a response or a reaction to something. <i>Many babies react to soy based formulas.</i>
<u>reaction</u>	An analogous transformation of atomic nuclei or other particles. <i>The work of these painters was a reaction against Fauvism.</i>
reactive	Reacting to a stimulus. <i>Sodium is a reactive metal.</i>
receptiveness	Willingness or readiness to receive (especially impressions or ideas). <i>He was testing the government s receptiveness to reform.</i>
<u>reflective</u>	Produced by reflection. <i>Reflective clothing.</i>

reply	A statement either spoken or written that is made to reply to a question or request or criticism or accusation. <i>Clough scored the first goal and Speed hit a late reply.</i>
respondent	The codefendant especially in a divorce proceeding who is accused of adultery with the corespondent. <i>The respondent defendant.</i>
<u>responsive</u>	(of a section of liturgy) using responses. <i>Children are often the quickest and most responsive members of the audience.</i>
responsiveness	Responsive to stimulation. <i>The responsiveness of the vehicle.</i>
<u>susceptible</u>	(often followed by `of' or `to') yielding readily to or capable of. <i>The problem is not susceptible of a simple solution.</i>
thoughtful	Taking heed giving close and thoughtful attention. <i>Her work is thoughtful and provocative.</i>
touched	Being excited or provoked to the expression of an emotion. <i>Very touched by the stranger s kindness.</i>
touchy	(of an issue or situation) requiring careful handling; delicate. <i>She s a little touchy about her age.</i>
<u>unstable</u>	Likely to give way; not stable. <i>Everything was unstable following the coup.</i>
<u>vulnerable</u>	Capable of being wounded or hurt. <i>An argument vulnerable to refutation.</i>

