

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 <u>Oxford Dictionary of English</u>, "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.

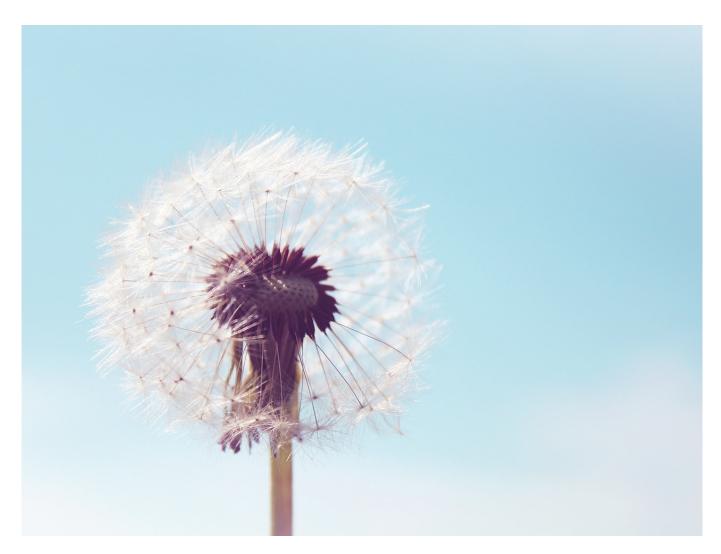




### Synonyms of "Sensitive" as a noun (2 Words)

mediumThe middle quality or state between two extremes; a reasonable balance.<br/>These cells are grown in a nutrient rich medium.spiritualistSomeone who serves as an intermediary between the living and the dead.spiritualistHe became an ardent spiritualist attending seances and insisting on their<br/>authenticity.





# **Sensitive as an Adjective**

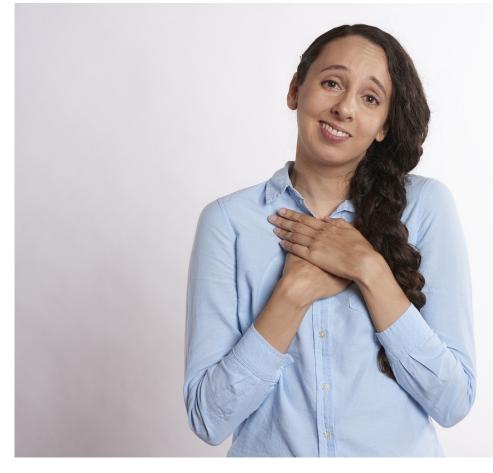
#### **Definitions of "Sensitive" as an adjective**

According to the <u>Oxford Dictionary of English</u>, "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)

<u>careful</u>	Full of cares or anxiety-Luke 10.41. A <i>careful</i> consideration of the facts.
<u>defensive</u>	Intended or appropriate for defending against or deterring aggression or attack. <i>A poor <b>defensive</b> record</i> .



delicate	Developed with extreme delicacy and subtlety. Almost undetectable with even the most <b>delicate</b> instruments.
diplomatic	Using or marked by tact in dealing with sensitive matters or people. <i>He tried his best to be <b>diplomatic</b>.</i>
<u>fragile</u>	Easily destroyed or threatened. You have a <b>fragile</b> grip on reality.
hypersensitive	Easily hurt, worried, or offended. <i>Hypersensitive</i> to pollen.
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. Bentley was <b>oversensitive</b> to criticism.
personal	Concerning or affecting a particular person or his or her private life and personality. <i>He rejected the notion of a <b>personal</b> God.</i>
<u>private</u>	Concerning things deeply private and personal. <i>Private lessons.</i>
privileged	Having been granted a special honour. In the nineteenth century only a <b>privileged</b> few had the vote.
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 <b>quiet</b> little traffic braving the snow.</i>
raw	Brutally unfair or harsh. There were a number of errors in the <b>raw</b> data.
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. The <b>sensible</b> universe.
sentient of	Consciously perceiving- W.A.White.
sore	(of a part of one's body) painful or aching. I didn t even know they were <b>sore</b> at us.
<u>subtle</u>	(of a mixture or effect) delicately complex and understated. <i>He tried a more <b>subtle</b> approach.</i>



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



### 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 <b>adaptability</b> of listed buildings.
agility	Ability to move quickly and easily. Though he was without formal training as dancer or athlete his physical <b>agility</b> was inexhaustible.
answer	Give the correct answer or solution to. <i>He said he would return to Spain to <b>answer</b> all charges.</i>



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



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



