

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

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The synonyms of “Sentimental” are: bathetic, drippy, hokey, kitschy, maudlin, mawkish, mushy, sappy, schmaltzy, schmalzy, slushy, sippy, soupy, nostalgic, tender, emotional, dewy-eyed, misty-eyed, affectionate, loving, soft, overemotional, cloying, sickly, saccharine, sugary, sugar-coated, syrupy

Sentimental as an Adjective

Definitions of "Sentimental" as an adjective

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

- *Of or prompted by feelings of tenderness, sadness, or nostalgia.*
- *Effusively or insincerely emotional.*
- *Given to or marked by sentiment or sentimentality.*
- *Having or arousing feelings of tenderness, sadness, or nostalgia, typically in an exaggerated and self-indulgent way.*



Synonyms of "Sentimental" as an adjective (28 Words)

- [affectionate](#)** Having or displaying warmth or affection.
*His **affectionate** nature.*
- bathetic** Effusively or insincerely emotional.
*The movie manages to be poignant without becoming **bathetic**.*
- cloying** Excessively sweet, rich, or sentimental, especially to a disgusting or sickening degree.
*A romantic rather **cloying** story.*
- dewy-eyed** Exhibiting childlike simplicity and credulity.
- drippy** Effusively or insincerely emotional.
*A wet **drippy** day.*

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| emotional | Arousing or characterized by intense feeling. <i>He was a strongly emotional young man.</i> |
| hokey | Noticeably contrived. <i>A hokey country western accent.</i> |
| <u>kitschy</u> | (of art, objects, or design) considered to be in poor taste because of excessive garishness or sentimentality, but sometimes appreciated in an ironic or knowing way. <i>Kitschy pop culture.</i> |
| loving | Feeling or showing love and affection. <i>Loving glances.</i> |
| maudlin | Self-pityingly or tearfully sentimental. <i>Maudlin expressions of sympathy.</i> |
| mawkish | Sentimental in an exaggerated or false way. <i>The mawkish smell of warm beer.</i> |
| misty-eyed | Having eyes blurred as with tears. |
| mushy | Effusively or insincerely emotional. <i>A mushy film.</i> |
| <u>nostalgic</u> | Feeling, evoking, or characterized by nostalgia. <i>A nostalgic account of an idyllic childhood.</i> |
| overemotional | Excessively or abnormally emotional. <i>We're not an overemotional family.</i> |
| <u>saccharine</u> | Relating to or containing sugar; sugary. <i>Saccharine music.</i> |
| sappy | (of a plant) containing a lot of sap. <i>Sappy maple trees.</i> |
| schmaltzy | Excessively sentimental. <i>Schmaltzy ballads.</i> |
| schmalzy | Effusively or insincerely emotional. |
| <u>sickly</u> | Somewhat ill or prone to illness. <i>She liked her coffee sweet and sickly.</i> |
| slushy | Resembling, consisting of, or covered with slush. <i>Slushy novels.</i> |
| soft | Soft and mild not harsh or stern or severe. <i>He must be going soft in the head.</i> |
| soppy | Wet through and through; thoroughly wet. <i>My little sisters were too soppy for our adventurous games.</i> |

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| soupy | Mawkishly sentimental. <i>The soupy air.</i> |
| sugar-coated | Encrusted with sugar or syrup. |
| sugary | Excessively sentimental. <i>Energy restoring sugary drinks.</i> |
| syrupy | Overly sweet. <i>Syrupy puddings.</i> |
| tender | Hurting. <i>Tender loving care.</i> |



Usage Examples of "Sentimental" as an adjective

- *She felt a sentimental attachment to the place creep over her.*
- *Sentimental soap operas.*
- *A sentimental ballad.*
- *I'm a sentimental old fool.*



Associations of "Sentimental" (30 Words)

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| adoring | Feeling or expressing deep affection, love, or admiration. <i>A gift from an adoring fan.</i> |
| affectionate | Readily feeling or showing fondness or tenderness. <i>Affectionate children.</i> |
| bathetic | Producing an unintentional effect of anticlimax. <i>A bathetic novel.</i> |
| delicate | A delicate fabric or garment. <i>A delicate lace shawl.</i> |
| deplore | Feel or express strong disapproval of (something). <i>We deplore the government's treatment of political prisoners.</i> |
| doting | Extremely and uncritically fond of someone; adoring. <i>She was spoiled outrageously by her doting father.</i> |
| emotional | Determined or actuated by emotion rather than reason. <i>He would become emotional over nothing at all.</i> |
| epistolary | (of a literary work) in the form of letters. <i>An epistolary novel.</i> |

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| exhaustion | Extreme fatigue. <i>The rapid exhaustion of fossil fuel reserves.</i> |
| farce | The dramatic genre represented by farces. <i>He toured the backwoods in second rate farces.</i> |
| feel | Have a feeling or perception about oneself in reaction to someone's behavior or attitude. <i>The dead cannot feel.</i> |
| fond | Extravagantly or foolishly loving and indulgent. <i>Fond of his nephew.</i> |
| heartfelt | (of a feeling or its expression) deeply and strongly felt; sincere. <i>Our heartfelt thanks.</i> |
| lament | A mournful poem or a lament for the dead. <i>There were constant laments about the conditions of employment.</i> |
| loving | Feeling or showing love and affection. <i>The cargo was described in loving detail.</i> |
| maudlin | Effusively or insincerely emotional. <i>Maudlin expressions of sympathy.</i> |
| mawkish | Effusively or insincerely emotional. <i>A mawkish ode to parenthood.</i> |
| melodrama | Behaviour or events that resemble melodrama. <i>He gloated like a villain in a Victorian melodrama.</i> |
| mood | A characteristic (habitual or relatively temporary) state of feeling. <i>A concept album which captures the mood of modern times.</i> |
| pathos | A feeling of sympathy and sorrow for the misfortunes of others. <i>The actor injects his customary humour and pathos into the role.</i> |
| pity | A cause for regret or disappointment. <i>It's a pity he couldn't do it.</i> |
| romantic | A person with romantic beliefs or attitudes. <i>He's very handsome and so romantic.</i> |
| sadness | Emotions experienced when not in a state of well-being. <i>A source of great sadness.</i> |
| sensitiveness | Sensitivity to emotional feelings (of self and others). <i>The sensitiveness of Mimosa leaves does not depend on a change of growth.</i> |
| sentiment | General feeling or opinion. <i>Public sentiment was on the side of reform.</i> |

sentimentality Falsely emotional in a maudlin way.
*There are passages which verge on **sentimentality**.*

susceptibility The state or fact of being likely or liable to be influenced or harmed by a particular thing.

*Lack of exercise increases **susceptibility** to disease.*

tender Make tender or more tender as by marinating pounding or applying a tenderizer.

*A **tender** glance.*

touched Slightly mad; crazy.
*You have to be a little **touched** to do my job.*

touching Arousing feelings of sympathy or gratitude.
*A **touching** reconciliation scene.*

