

Need another word that means the same as “shameful”? Find 45 synonyms and 30 related words for “shameful” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Shameful” are: black, disgraceful, ignominious, inglorious, opprobrious, scandalous, shocking, deplorable, despicable, contemptible, dishonourable, discreditable, reprehensible, base, mean, low, blameworthy, unworthy, ignoble, shabby, infamous, unprincipled, outrageous, abominable, atrocious, appalling, disgusting, vile, odious, monstrous, heinous, unspeakable, loathsome, sordid, bad, wicked, immoral, nefarious, indefensible, inexcusable, unforgivable, embarrassing, mortifying, humiliating, degrading**

## Shameful as an Adjective

### Definitions of "Shameful" as an adjective

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

- *Worthy of or causing shame or disgrace.*
- *Giving offense to moral sensibilities and injurious to reputation- Thackeray.*
- *Deserving or bringing disgrace or shame- Rachel Carson.*
- *(used of conduct or character) deserving or bringing disgrace or shame.*
- *Giving offense to moral sensibilities and injurious to reputation.*



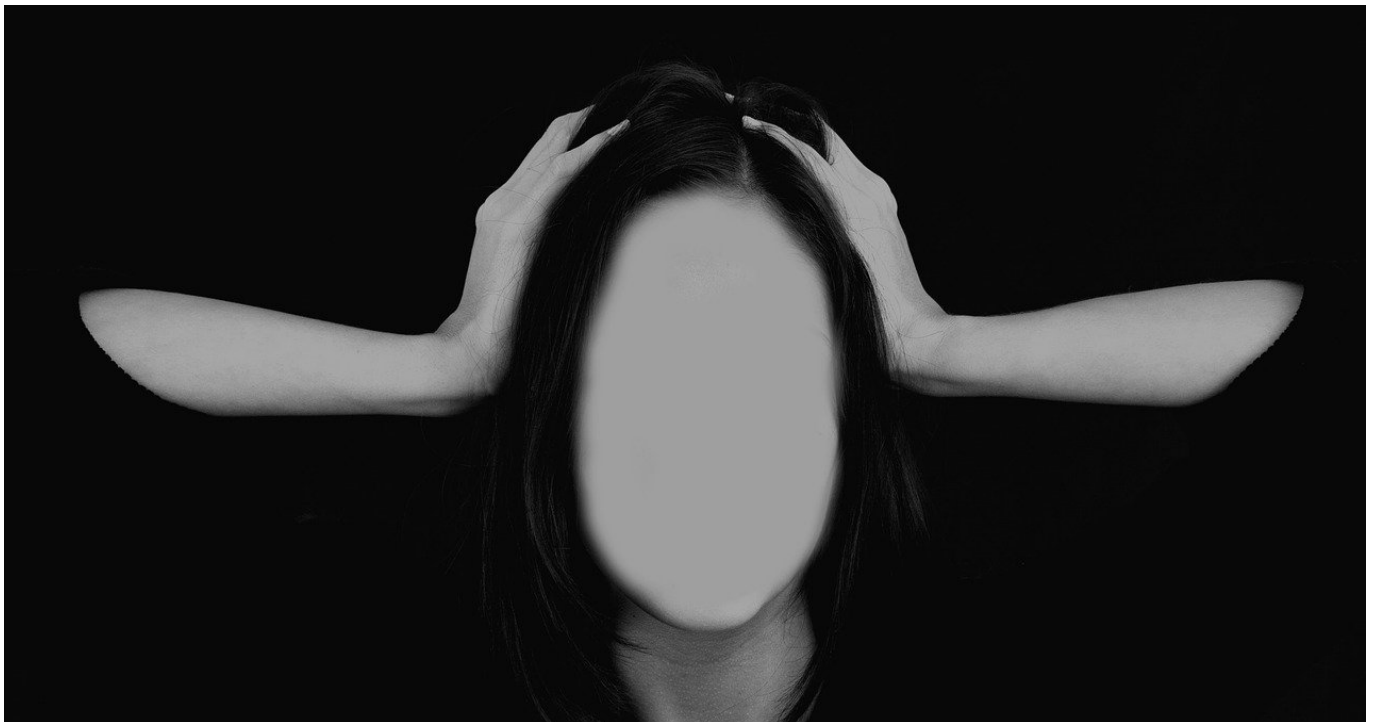
## Synonyms of "Shameful" as an adjective (45 Words)

<b>abominable</b>	Unequivocally detestable. <i><b>Abominable</b> treatment of prisoners.</i>
<b><u>appalling</u></b>	Very bad; awful. <i><b>Appalling</b> conditions.</i>
<b><u>atrocious</u></b>	Horrifically wicked. <i><b>Atrocious</b> cruelties.</i>
<b>bad</b>	Feeling physical discomfort or pain though is occasionally used colloquially for bad. <i>A <b>bad</b> headache.</i>
<b><u>base</u></b>	Serving as or forming a base. <i>The painter applied a <b>base</b> coat followed by two finishing coats.</i>
<b>black</b>	Of a ski run of the highest level of difficulty as indicated by black markers positioned along it. <i>The sky was moonless and <b>black</b>.</i>

<b>blameworthy</b>	Responsible for wrongdoing and deserving of censure or blame. <i><b>Blameworthy</b> if not criminal behavior.</i>
<b>contemptible</b>	Deserving of contempt or scorn. <i>A display of <b>contemptible</b> cowardice.</i>
<b><u>degrading</u></b>	Harmful to the mind or morals. <i>The vicious and <b>degrading</b> cult of violence.</i>
<b>deplorable</b>	Bad; unfortunate. <i>Her spelling was <b>deplorable</b>.</i>
<b>despicable</b>	Morally reprehensible. <i>A <b>despicable</b> crime.</i>
<b>discreditable</b>	Tending to bring harm to a reputation. <i>His marks were not at all <b>discreditable</b>.</i>
<b><u>disgraceful</u></b>	Giving offense to moral sensibilities and injurious to reputation. <i>A <b>disgraceful</b> waste of money.</i>
<b>disgusting</b>	Highly offensive; arousing aversion or disgust. <i>A <b>disgusting</b> smell.</i>
<b>dishonourable</b>	Bringing shame or disgrace on someone or something. <i>His crimes are petty and <b>dishonourable</b>.</i>
<b>embarrassing</b>	Causing embarrassment. <i>An <b>embarrassing</b> muddle.</i>
<b><u>heinous</u></b>	Extremely wicked, deeply criminal. <i><b>Heinous</b> accusations.</i>
<b><u>humiliating</u></b>	Causing awareness of your shortcomings. <i>A <b>humiliating</b> defeat.</i>
<b>ignoble</b>	Completely lacking nobility in character or quality or purpose- Oliver We. <i>Of <b>ignoble</b> or ungentle birth.</i>
<b>ignominious</b>	Deserving or causing public disgrace or shame. <i>An <b>ignominious</b> retreat.</i>
<b>immoral</b>	Not adhering to ethical or moral principles. <i>Unseemly and <b>immoral</b> behaviour.</i>
<b>indefensible</b>	(of theories etc) incapable of being defended or justified. <i>The towns were tactically <b>indefensible</b>.</i>
<b>inexcusable</b>	Not excusable. <i>Matt s behaviour was <b>inexcusable</b>.</i>
<b><u>infamous</u></b>	Known widely and usually unfavorably. <i>The <b>infamous</b> Benedict Arnold.</i>

<b>inglorious</b>	Not famous or renowned. <i>An <b>inglorious</b> episode in British imperial history.</i>
<b>loathsome</b>	Highly offensive; arousing aversion or disgust. <i>This <b>loathsome</b> little swine.</i>
<u>low</u>	Of a vowel pronounced with the tongue held low in the mouth open. <i>The <b>low</b> neckline of her blouse.</i>
<b>mean</b>	So small in amount as to deserve contempt. <i>A <b>mean</b> person.</i>
<b>monstrous</b>	Inhumanly or outrageously evil or wrong. <i>Twisted into <b>monstrous</b> shapes.</i>
<b>mortifying</b>	Causing to feel shame or chagrin or vexation. <i>It was <b>mortifying</b> to know he had heard every word.</i>
<b>nefarious</b>	(typically of an action or activity) wicked or criminal. <i><b>Nefarious</b> schemes.</i>
<b>odious</b>	Unequivocally detestable. <i><b>Odious</b> hypocrisy.</i>
<b>opprobrious</b>	Deserving or bringing disgrace or shame- Rachel Carson. <i>An <b>opprobrious</b> monument to human greed.</i>
<u>outrageous</u>	Very bold and unusual and rather shocking. <i>An <b>outrageous</b> act of bribery.</i>
<u>reprehensible</u>	Deserving censure or condemnation. <i>His complacency and <b>reprehensible</b> laxity.</i>
<u>scandalous</u>	Causing general public outrage by a perceived offence against morality or law. <i>A <b>scandalous</b> allegation.</i>
<u>shabby</u>	Showing signs of wear and tear. <i>A <b>shabby</b> fellow in slippers and an undershirt.</i>
<u>shocking</u>	Glaringly vivid and graphic; marked by sensationalism. <i>She brought <b>shocking</b> news.</i>
<u>sordid</u>	Involving immoral or dishonourable actions and motives; arousing moral distaste and contempt. <i>The <b>sordid</b> details of his orgies stank under his very nostrils.</i>
<b>unforgivable</b>	So bad as to be unable to be forgiven or excused. <i>Losing your temper with him was <b>unforgivable</b>.</i>
<b>unprincipled</b>	Lacking principles or moral scruples. <i>Freedom from coarse <b>unprincipled</b> calumny.</i>

<b><u>unspeakable</u></b>	Too bad or horrific to express in words. <b><i>Unspeakable</i></b> happiness.
<b><u>unworthy</u></b>	Not deserving. <b><i>Unworthy</i></b> of forgiveness.
<b>vile</b>	Extremely unpleasant. <i>The <b>vile</b> development of slavery appalled them.</i>
<b>wicked</b>	Evil or morally wrong. <i>A <b>wicked</b> stench.</i>



## Usage Examples of "Shameful" as an adjective

- *The wicked rascally shameful conduct of the bankrupt.*
- *A shameful accusation.*
- *A shameful display of cowardice.*





## Associations of "Shameful" (30 Words)

<u><a href="#">abject</a></u>	(of a person or their behaviour) completely without pride or dignity; self-abasing. <i><b>Abject</b> surrender.</i>
<b>abusive</b>	Engaging in or characterized by habitual violence and cruelty. <i>The goalkeeper was sent off for using <b>abusive</b> language.</i>
<b>awkward</b>	Socially uncomfortable; unsure and constrained in manner. <i>I felt <b>awkward</b> standing in front of the whole class.</i>
<b>contemptible</b>	Deserving of contempt or scorn. <i>A display of <b>contemptible</b> cowardice.</i>
<u><a href="#">degrading</a></u>	Harmful to the mind or morals. <i>The prisoners were subjected to cruel and <b>degrading</b> treatment.</i>
<u><a href="#">disgraceful</a></u>	Deserving or bringing disgrace or shame- Rachel Carson. <i>A <b>disgraceful</b> waste of money.</i>

<b>dishonorable</b>	Lacking honor or integrity; deserving dishonor. <i><b>Dishonorable</b> in thought and deed.</i>
<b>embarrassing</b>	Causing to feel shame or chagrin or vexation. <i>Awkward or <b>embarrassing</b> or difficult moments in the discussion.</i>
<u>humiliating</u>	Causing awareness of your shortcomings. <i>A <b>humiliating</b> defeat.</i>
<b>ignoble</b>	Completely lacking nobility in character or quality or purpose. <i><b>Ignoble</b> feelings of intense jealousy.</i>
<b>ignominious</b>	Deserving or bringing disgrace or shame- Rachel Carson. <i>No other party risked <b>ignominious</b> defeat.</i>
<b>inglorious</b>	(used of conduct or character) deserving or bringing disgrace or shame. <i>Some mute <b>inglorious</b> Milton here may rest.</i>
<b>insulting</b>	Disrespectful or scornfully abusive. <i><b>Insulting</b> remarks.</i>
<b>libellous</b>	Containing or constituting a libel. <i>A <b>libellous</b> newspaper story.</i>
<b>lonely</b>	Without companions; solitary. <i>Felt sad and <b>lonely</b>.</i>
<u>obscure</u>	Make obscure or unclear. <i>An impulse to go off and fight certain <b>obscure</b> battles of his own spirit.</i>
<b>offensive</b>	Morally offensive. <i>Considered such depravity <b>offensive</b> against all laws of humanity.</i>
<b>opprobrious</b>	(of language) expressing scorn or criticism. <i><b>Opprobrious</b> remarks.</i>
<u>pejorative</u>	Expressing contempt or disapproval. <i>Most of what he said was inflammatory and filled with <b>pejoratives</b>.</i>
<u>reprehensible</u>	Bringing or deserving severe rebuke or censure. <i>His complacency and <b>reprehensible</b> laxity.</i>
<b>scurrilous</b>	Making or spreading scandalous claims about someone with the intention of damaging their reputation. <i>A <b>scurrilous</b> attack on his integrity.</i>
<u>shame</u>	Cause to be ashamed. <i>She was hot with <b>shame</b>.</i>
<b>slanderous</b>	(used of statements) harmful and often untrue; tending to discredit or malign. <i><b>Slanderous</b> allegations.</i>

Not fully understood, recognized, or valued.

**unappreciated** *She had been brought up in a family where she felt **unappreciated** and undervalued.*

Not having knowledge or experience of.

**unfamiliar** *He felt a stranger among the crowd of **unfamiliar** faces.*

Being or having an unknown or unnamed source.

**unidentified** *An **unidentified** witness.*

That which is unknown.

**unknown** *His whereabouts are **unknown** to his family.*

Being or having an unknown or unnamed source.

**unnamed** *The **unnamed** man was found unconscious.*

Not rewarding; not providing personal satisfaction.

**unrewarding** *It was dull **unrewarding** work.*

Not celebrated or praised.

**unsung** ***Unsung** heroes of the war.*

