

Need another word that means the same as “shenanigans”? Find 39 synonyms for “shenanigans” in this overview.

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## Shenanigans as a Noun

### Definitions of "Shenanigans" as a noun

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

- *The use of tricks to deceive someone (usually to extract money from them).*
- *Silly or high-spirited behaviour; mischief.*
- *Reckless or malicious behavior that causes discomfort or annoyance in others.*
- *Secret or dishonest activity or manoeuvring.*

### Synonyms of "Shenanigans" as a noun (39 Words)

#### [artifice](#)

A deceptive maneuver (especially to avoid capture).  
*The style is not free from the **artifices** of the period.*

#### [badness](#)

Used of the degree of something undesirable e.g. pain or weather.  
*None of you are doing justice to the **badness** of this film.*

#### [cheating](#)

A deception for profit to yourself.

<b>chicane</b>	The use of deception chicanery. <i>The Austrian s car flew out of control and spun across the <b>chicane</b>.</i>
<b><u>chicanery</u></b>	The use of tricks to deceive someone (usually to extract money from them). <i>Storylines packed with political <b>chicanery</b>.</i>
<b><u>craft</u></b>	An aircraft or spaceship. <b>Craft</b> brewing.
<b><u>deceit</u></b>	The action or practice of deceiving someone by concealing or misrepresenting the truth. <i>A series of lies and <b>deceits</b>.</i>
<b>deceitfulness</b>	The quality of being crafty.
<b>deception</b>	The act of deceiving. <i>A range of elaborate <b>deceptions</b>.</i>
<b>devilment</b>	Reckless mischief; wild spirits. <i>His eyes were blazing with <b>devilment</b>.</i>
<b>devilry</b>	Reckless or malicious behavior that causes discomfort or annoyance in others. <i>Some <b>devilry</b> was afoot.</i>
<b>deviltry</b>	Reckless or malicious behavior that causes discomfort or annoyance in others.
<b>deviousness</b>	The quality of being oblique and rambling indirectly.
<b>dishonesty</b>	A fraudulent or deceitful act. <i>The dismissal of thirty civil servants for <b>dishonesty</b> and misconduct.</i>
<b>double-dealing</b>	Acting in bad faith; deception by pretending to entertain one set of intentions while acting under the influence of another.
<b>falseness</b>	The quality of not being open or truthful; deceitful or hypocritical.
<b>falsity</b>	The state of being false or untrue. <i>He exposed the <b>falsity</b> of the claim.</i>
<b>fraud</b>	A person who makes deceitful pretenses. <i>He was convicted of <b>fraud</b>.</i>
<b>fraudulence</b>	A fraudulent or duplicitous representation.
<b>guile</b>	The quality of being crafty. <i>He used all his <b>guile</b> and guts to free himself from the muddle he was in.</i>
<b>improbity</b>	Lack of honesty and moral integrity.
<b><u>mischief</u></b>	Playfulness that is intended to tease or create trouble. <i>Her eyes twinkled with irrepressible <b>mischief</b>.</i>

<b>mischief-making</b>	Reckless or malicious behavior that causes discomfort or annoyance in others.
<b>mischievousness</b>	The trait of behaving like an imp.
<b>naughtiness</b>	An attribute of mischievous children.
<b>perfidy</b>	The state of being deceitful and untrustworthy. <i>Hapsburg <b>perfidy</b>.</i>
<b>rascality</b>	Mischievous or dishonest behaviour or activity. <i>The investigation uncovered his <b>rascality</b>.</i>
<b>roguery</b>	Reckless or malicious behavior that causes discomfort or annoyance in others. <i>There has always been <b>roguery</b> associated with horse dealing.</i>
<b>roguishness</b>	Reckless or malicious behavior that causes discomfort or annoyance in others.
<b>sharp practice</b>	A long thin sewing needle with a sharp point.
<b>skulduggery</b>	Verbal misrepresentation intended to take advantage of you in some way. <i>A firm that investigates commercial <b>skulduggery</b>.</i>
<b><u>subterfuge</u></b>	Deceit used in order to achieve one's goal. <i>He had to use <b>subterfuge</b> and bluff on many occasions.</i>
<b>swindling</b>	The act of swindling by some fraudulent scheme.
<b><u>treachery</u></b>	Betrayal of trust. <i>The <b>treachery</b> of language.</i>
<b><u>trickery</u></b>	The practice of deception. <i>The dealer resorted to <b>trickery</b>.</i>
<b>underhandedness</b>	Secretive or dishonest behaviour. <i>He rules with a combination of threats and <b>underhandedness</b>.</i>
<b>unfairness</b>	Partiality that is not fair or equitable. <i>A society disfigured by gross <b>unfairness</b>.</i>
<b>unjustness</b>	The practice of being unjust or unfair.
<b>wile</b>	The use of tricks to deceive someone (usually to extract money from them). <i>She didn't employ any feminine <b>wiles</b> to capture his attention.</i>

## Usage Examples of "Shenanigans" as a noun

- *The chairman was accused of financial shenanigans.*