

Need another word that means the same as “shrill”? Find 36 synonyms and 30 related words for “shrill” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Shrill” are: sharp, strident, high-pitched, piercing, high, penetrating, shattering, loud, strong, intrusive, screeching, shrieking, screechy, squawky, pipe, pipe up, shriek, screech, scream, squawk, howl, cry, wail, squall, yawp, yelp**

## Shrill as a Noun

### Definitions of "Shrill" as a noun

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

- *A shrill sound or cry.*

### Synonyms of "Shrill" as a noun (10 Words)

**cry**      An urgent appeal or entreaty.  
            *Had a good **cry**.*

<b>howl</b>	A loud sustained noise resembling the cry of a hound. <i>I got <b>howls</b> of protest from readers.</i>
<b>scream</b>	A high-pitched noise resembling a human cry. <i>The movie s a <b>scream</b>.</i>
<b>screech</b>	Sharp piercing cry. <i>A <b>screech</b> of brakes.</i>
<b>shriek</b>	A high-pitched piercing cry or sound; a scream. <i><b>Shrieks</b> of laughter.</i>
<b>squall</b>	A loud cry. <i>Low clouds and <b>squalls</b> of driving rain.</i>
<b>squawk</b>	The noise of squawking. <i>Her plan provoked a loud <b>squawk</b> from her friends.</i>
<b>wail</b>	A prolonged high-pitched sound. <i>The <b>wail</b> of an air raid siren.</i>
<b>yawp</b>	A harsh or hoarse cry or yelp. <i>The cur did not bark other than a single <b>yawp</b>.</i>
<b>yelp</b>	A short, sharp cry, especially of pain or alarm. <i>She uttered a <b>yelp</b> as she bumped into a table.</i>

## Usage Examples of "Shrill" as a noun

- *The shrill of a smoke detector filled the air.*

## Shrill as a Verb

### Definitions of "Shrill" as a verb

According to the [Oxford Dictionary of English](#), "shrill" as a verb can have the following definitions:

- *Utter a shrill cry.*
- *Speak or cry with a shrill voice.*
- *Make a shrill noise.*

### Synonyms of "Shrill" as a verb (12 Words)

<b>cry</b>	Utter a sudden loud cry. <i>She heard a voice <b>crying</b> her name.</i>
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<b>howl</b>	Make a howling sound. <i>They <b>howled</b> me down and called me a chauvinist.</i>
<b>pipe</b>	Convey water gas oil or other fluid substances through a pipe or pipes. <i><b>Pipe</b> oil water and gas into the desert.</i>
<b>pipe up</b>	Utter a shrill cry.
<b>scream</b>	Make a loud, piercing sound. <i>He <b>screamed</b> abuse down the phone.</i>
<b>screech</b>	Make a high pitched screeching noise. <i>The van <b>screeched</b> round a bend at speed.</i>
<b>shriek</b>	(of something inanimate) make a high-pitched screeching sound. <i>The answer <b>shrieked</b> at her all too clearly.</i>
<b>squall</b>	Blow in a squall. <i>Sarah was <b>squalling</b> in her crib.</i>
<b>squawk</b>	Utter a harsh abrupt scream. <i>What are you doing she <b>squawked</b>.</i>
<b>wail</b>	Utter a wail. <i>The wind <b>wailed</b> and buffeted the timber structure.</i>
<b>yawp</b>	Talk foolishly or noisily. <i>The fans screeched <b>yawped</b> and pounded their palms.</i>
<b>yelp</b>	Utter a yelp. <i>My dog was <b>yelping</b> as if hurt.</i>

## Usage Examples of "Shrill" as a verb

- *A piercing whistle shrilled through the night air.*
- *'How dare you!' she shrilled.*

## Shrill as an Adjective

### Definitions of "Shrill" as an adjective

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

- *(of a voice or sound) high-pitched and piercing.*
- *Of colors that are bright and gaudy.*
- *(especially of a complaint or demand) loud and forceful.*
- *Having or emitting a high-pitched and sharp tone or tones.*

- *Being sharply insistent on being heard.*

## Synonyms of "Shrill" as an adjective (14 Words)

<b>high</b>	Being at or having a relatively great or specific elevation or upward extension sometimes used in combinations like knee high. <i>A <b>high</b> incline.</i>
<b>high-pitched</b>	Set at a sharp or high angle or slant.
<b><u>intrusive</u></b>	Relating to or formed by intrusion. <i>That was an <b>intrusive</b> question.</i>
<b>loud</b>	Used chiefly as a direction or description in music loud with force. <i>Her voice was too <b>loud</b>.</i>
<b>penetrating</b>	Able to make a way through or into something. <i>Her <b>penetrating</b> gaze.</i>
<b><u>piercing</u></b>	(of a feeling) intense, typically in a distressing way. <i><b>Piercing</b> knifelike pains.</i>
<b>screeching</b>	Used in reference to the sound made by the sudden stopping of a vehicle as a result of a forceful application of the brakes. <i>The truck came to a <b>screeching</b> halt.</i>
<b>screechy</b>	Having or making a high-pitched sound such as that made by a mouse or a rusty hinge.
<b><u>sharp</u></b>	Having or emitting a high pitched and sharp tone or tones. <i>His old mind was not so <b>sharp</b> as it once was.</i>
<b>shattering</b>	Seemingly loud enough to break something; violently rattling or clattering. <i>The <b>shattering</b> tones of the enormous carillon.</i>
<b>shrieking</b>	Making a high-pitched piercing cry or sound. <i>A <b>shrieking</b> ambulance.</i>
<b>squawky</b>	Like the cackles or squawks a hen makes especially after laying an egg. <i>Their voices are high and birdlike and <b>squawky</b>.</i>
<b>strident</b>	Unpleasantly loud and harsh. <i><b>Strident</b> demands.</i>
<b>strong</b>	Having a strong physiological or chemical effect. <i>His imagery made a <b>strong</b> impression on the critics.</i>

## Usage Examples of "Shrill" as an adjective

- *A shrill gaiety.*
- *A shrill whistle.*

- A shrill laugh.
- A shrill turquoise.
- A concession to their shrill demands.
- Shrill criticism.

## Associations of "Shrill" (30 Words)

<b>acuity</b>	Sharpness or keenness of thought, vision, or hearing. <i>Intellectual <b>acuity</b>.</i>
<b>acute</b>	Denoting or designed for patients with an acute form of a disease. <i>An <b>acute</b> observer of politics and politicians.</i>
<b>acutely</b>	Having a rapid onset. <i><b>Acutely</b> aware.</i>
<b>astute</b>	Marked by practical hardheaded intelligence. <i>An <b>astute</b> tenant always reads the small print in a lease.</i>
<b>awl</b>	A small pointed tool used for piercing holes, especially in leather.
<b>biting</b>	Capable of wounding. <i>A <b>biting</b> aphorism.</i>
<b>canny</b>	Having or showing shrewdness and good judgement, especially in money or business matters. <i><b>Canny</b> investors will switch banks if they think they are getting a raw deal.</i>
<b>clipper</b>	(electronics) a nonlinear electronic circuit whose output is limited in amplitude; used to limit the instantaneous amplitude of a waveform (to clip off the peaks of a waveform). <i>The Cutty Sark a tea <b>clipper</b> built in 1869.</i>
<b>discriminating</b>	Having or showing refined taste or good judgement. <i>The <b>discriminating</b> eye of the connoisseur.</i>
<b>fang</b>	The biting mouthpart of a spider. <i>The dog was bounding towards him its <b>fangs</b> bared.</i>
<b>howl</b>	Make a howling sound. <i><b>Howls</b> of laughter.</i>
<b>incisive</b>	(of an account) accurate and sharply focused. <i><b>Incisive</b> teeth.</i>
<b>insightful</b>	Exhibiting insight or clear and deep perception-R.C.Angell. <i>Thank you for all the <b>insightful</b> comments.</i>

<b>keen</b>	Having or showing eagerness or enthusiasm. <i><b>Keen</b> winds.</i>
<b>keenness</b>	A positive feeling of wanting to push ahead with something. <i>He has expressed his <b>keenness</b> to retain his job.</i>
<b>penetrating</b>	Having or demonstrating ability to recognize or draw fine distinctions. <i><b>Penetrating</b> insight.</i>
<b>perceptive</b>	Of or relating to perception. <i>A <b>perceptive</b> observation.</i>
<b><u>piercing</u></b>	Painful as if caused by a sharp instrument. <i>Two months ago I decided to take out all my <b>piercings</b>.</i>
<b>piquant</b>	Pleasantly stimulating or exciting to the mind. <i>A <b>piquant</b> tartare sauce.</i>
<b>pointed</b>	Direct and obvious in meaning or reference; often unpleasant. <i>A <b>pointed</b> allusion to what was going on.</i>
<b>projection</b>	The projection of an image from a film onto a screen. <i>The band use stage <b>projections</b> featuring moon shots.</i>
<b>pungent</b>	(of comment, criticism, or humour) having a sharp and caustic quality. <i>The <b>pungent</b> smell of frying onions.</i>
<b>scalpel</b>	A thin straight surgical knife used in dissection and surgery.
<b>scissors</b>	Denoting an action in which two things cross each other or open and close like the blades of a pair of scissors. <i>A dummy <b>scissors</b> from David Thomas deceived the opposition.</i>
<b><u>sharp</u></b>	Keenly and painfully felt as if caused by a sharp edge or point. <i>A <b>sharp</b> pain.</i>
<b>shrewd</b>	(especially of weather) piercingly cold. <i>She was <b>shrewd</b> enough to guess the motive behind his gesture.</i>
<b>sickle</b>	A short-handled farming tool with a semicircular blade, used for cutting corn, lopping, or trimming.
<b>understanding</b>	Characterized by understanding based on comprehension and discernment and empathy. <i>I knew I could count on his <b>understanding</b>.</i>
<b>whet</b>	Sharpen by rubbing as on a whetstone. <i>Here s an extract to <b>whet</b> your appetite.</i>