

Need another word that means the same as “shyness”? Find 31 synonyms and 30 related words for “shyness” in this overview.

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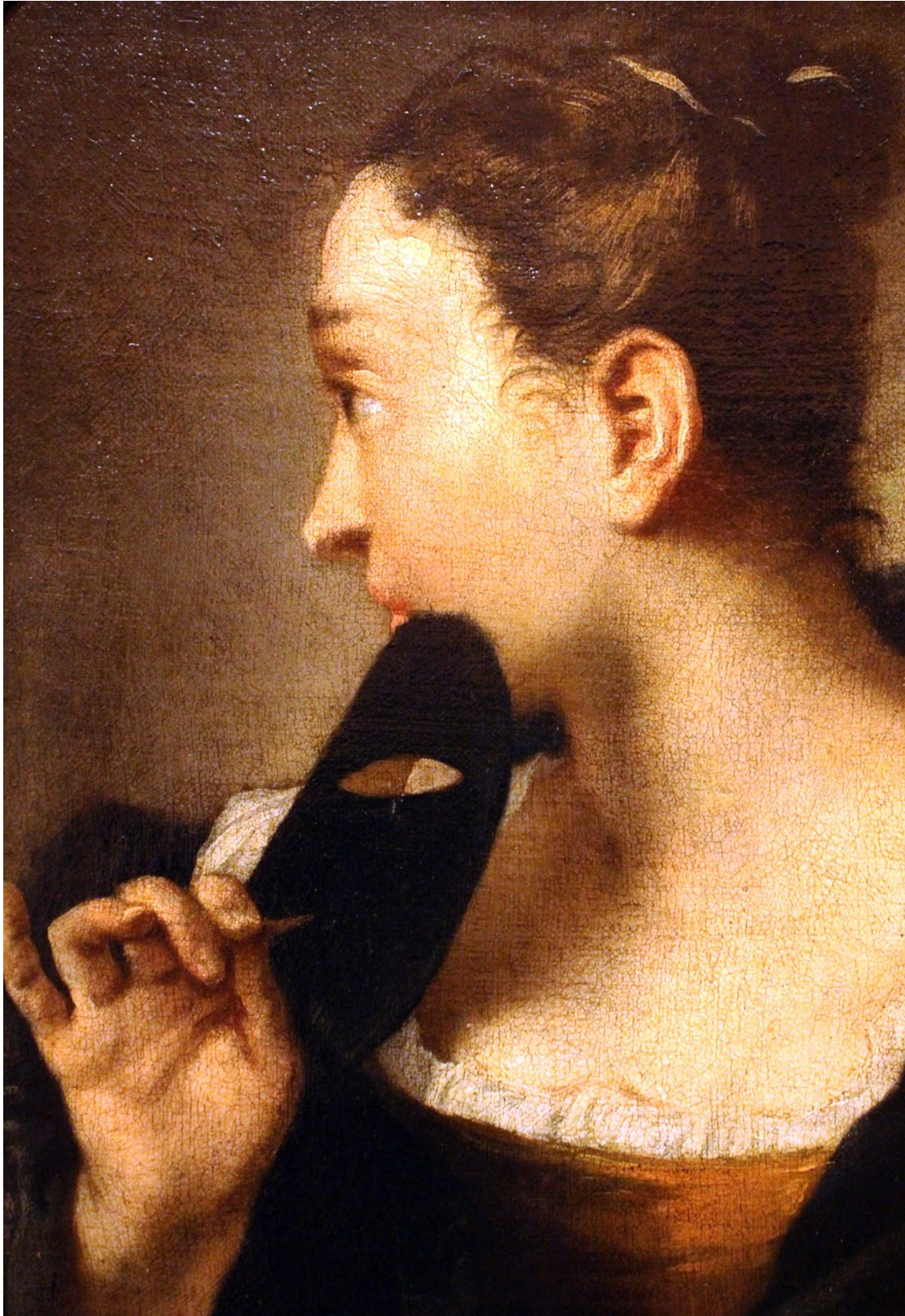
**The synonyms of “Shyness” are: bashfulness, diffidence, sheepishness, reserve, introversion, reticence, timidity, timidness, timorousness, fearfulness, nervousness, apprehension, hesitancy, hesitation, reluctance, doubt, insecurity, wariness, suspicion, chariness, lack of confidence, constraint, repression, self-effacement, self-consciousness, embarrassment, coyness, demureness, modesty, humility, meekness**

## Shyness as a Noun

### Definitions of "Shyness" as a noun

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

- *A quick throw.*
- *A feeling of fear of embarrassment.*
- *The quality or state of being shy.*



## Synonyms of "Shyness" as a noun (31 Words)

<b>apprehension</b>	The cognitive condition of someone who understands. <i>She had some <b>apprehensions</b> about the filming.</i>
<b>bashfulness</b>	Feeling embarrassed due to modesty.
<b>chariness</b>	The trait of being cautious and watchful.
<b>constraint</b>	The state of being physically constrained. <i>The availability of water is the main <b>constraint</b> on food production.</i>
<b>coyness</b>	The quality of feigning shyness or modesty in an attempt to seem alluring. <i>The company's <b>coyness</b> about their spring offering.</i>
<b>demureness</b>	The trait of behaving with reserve and decorum.
<b>diffidence</b>	Lack of self-confidence. <i>I say this with some <b>diffidence</b>.</i>
<b>doubt</b>	The state of being unsure of something. <i>Some <b>doubt</b> has been cast upon the authenticity of this account.</i>
<b>embarrassment</b>	A person or thing causing feelings of embarrassment. <i>The outcome of the vote was an <b>embarrassment</b> for the liberals.</i>
<b>fearfulness</b>	The trait of being afraid.
<b>hesitancy</b>	A certain degree of unwillingness. <i>Jackson took advantage of some <b>hesitancy</b> in the defence to rifle in a shot.</i>
<b>hesitation</b>	The action of pausing before saying or doing something. <i>There was a <b>hesitation</b> in his speech.</i>
<b>humility</b>	The quality of having a modest or low view of one's importance. <i>Not everyone regards <b>humility</b> as a virtue.</i>
<b>insecurity</b>	The state of being open to danger or threat; lack of protection. <i>She had a deep sense of <b>insecurity</b>.</i>
<b>introversion</b>	(psychology) an introverted disposition; concern with one's own thoughts and feelings. <i>We expected our sample to show elevated neuroticism and <b>introversion</b>.</i>
<b>lack of confidence</b>	The state of needing something that is absent or unavailable.
<b>meekness</b>	The feeling of patient, submissive humbleness. <i>All his best friends make fun of him for his <b>meekness</b>.</i>

<b>modesty</b>	Behaviour, manner, or appearance intended to avoid impropriety or indecency. <i><b>Modesty</b> forbade her to undress in front of so many people.</i>
<u><a href="#">nervousness</a></u>	A sensitive or highly strung temperament. <i>There was a trace of <b>nervousness</b> in his voice.</i>
<u><a href="#">reluctance</a></u>	A certain degree of unwillingness. <i>A <b>reluctance</b> to commit himself.</i>
<u><a href="#">repression</a></u>	A state of forcible subjugation. <i>An extraordinary panoply of sexual <b>repressions</b> and desires.</i>
<u><a href="#">reserve</a></u>	A member of the military reserve. <i>A <b>reserve</b> was allocated to the tribe on Bear Island.</i>
<b>reticence</b>	The trait of being uncommunicative; not volunteering anything more than necessary. <i>The traditional emotional <b>reticence</b> of the British.</i>
<b>self-consciousness</b>	Embarrassment deriving from the feeling that others are critically aware of you.
<b>self-effacement</b>	Withdrawing into the background; making yourself inconspicuous.
<b>sheepishness</b>	Feeling embarrassed about yourself.
<u><a href="#">suspicion</a></u>	Being of a suspicious nature. <i>He tried to shield me from <b>suspicion</b>.</i>
<b>timidity</b>	Lack of courage or confidence. <i>She believes everyone can overcome their <b>timidity</b>.</i>
<b>timidness</b>	Fear of the unknown or unfamiliar or fear of making decisions.
<b>timorousness</b>	Fearfulness in venturing into new and unknown places or activities.
<b>wariness</b>	The trait of being cautious and watchful. <i>Her mother s <b>wariness</b> of computers.</i>



## Usage Examples of "Shyness" as a noun

- *Gradually he overcame his natural shyness.*



## Associations of "Shyness" (30 Words)

<b>bashful</b>	Disposed to avoid notice blate is a Scottish term for bashful. <i>Everything you need to know but have been too <b>bashful</b> to ask.</i>
<b>coy</b>	Making a pretence of shyness or modesty that is intended to be alluring (typically used of a woman). <i>He is <b>coy</b> about his age.</i>
<b>demure</b>	Reserved, modest, and shy (typically used of a woman). <i>A <b>demure</b> young lady.</i>
<b>diffident</b>	Showing modest reserve. <i>Stood in the doorway <b>diffident</b> and abashed.</i>
<b>fainthearted</b>	Lacking conviction or boldness or courage.

<b><u>finicky</u></b>	(of a person) fussy about their needs or requirements. <i>A <b>finicky</b> eater.</i>
<b>inactive</b>	Lacking activity; lying idle or unused. <i>The <b>inactive</b> X chromosome.</i>
<b>inarticulate</b>	Not expressed in words. <i>Fay gave a faint <b>inarticulate</b> cry.</i>
<b><u>introspective</u></b>	Characterized by or given to introspection. <i>He grew withdrawn and <b>introspective</b>.</i>
<b>introversion</b>	The quality of being shy and reticent. <i>I struggle with <b>introversion</b> and shyness.</i>
<b><u>introvert</u></b>	Turn inside. <i>He <b>introverted</b> his feelings.</i>
<b>introverted</b>	Of, denoting, or typical of an introvert.
<b>modesty</b>	Behaviour, manner, or appearance intended to avoid impropriety or indecency. <i><b>Modesty</b> forbade her to undress in front of so many people.</i>
<b><u>passive</u></b>	The passive voice. <i><b>Passive</b> sensors detect the emissions from enemy radar.</i>
<b>prim</b>	Assume a prim appearance. <i>Laurie <b>primmed</b> up his mouth.</i>
<b>prissy</b>	Exaggeratedly proper. <i>A middle class family with two <b>prissy</b> children.</i>
<b>prudery</b>	Excessive or affected modesty.
<b>prudish</b>	Exaggeratedly proper. <i>The <b>prudish</b> moral climate of the late 19th century.</i>
<b>puritan</b>	Someone who adheres to strict religious principles; someone opposed to sensual pleasures. <i>As the <b>puritan</b> ethic has weakened hedonism has replaced it.</i>
<b><u>reserved</u></b>	Slow to reveal emotion or opinions. <i>A <b>reserved</b> seat.</i>
<b><u>reticent</u></b>	Cool and formal in manner. <i>She was extremely <b>reticent</b> about her personal affairs.</i>
<b>retiring</b>	Not arrogant or presuming. <i>A shy <b>retiring</b> girl.</i>
<b><u>taciturn</u></b>	Habitually reserved and uncommunicative. <i>After such gatherings she would be <b>taciturn</b> and morose.</i>

<b>timid</b>	Showing fear and lack of confidence. <i>Whitewater rafting is not for the <b>timid</b>.</i>
<b>timorous</b>	Timid by nature or revealing timidity. <i><b>Timorous</b> little mouse.</i>
<b>unassertive</b>	Inclined to timidity or lack of self-confidence. <i>A shy <b>unassertive</b> person.</i>
<b>uncommunicative</b>	Unwilling to talk or impart information. <i>The <b>uncommunicative</b> Emily disappeared.</i>
<b>unutterable</b>	Too sacred to be uttered. <i><b>Unutterable</b> consonant clusters.</i>
<b>withdrawn</b>	Withdrawn from society seeking solitude. <i>When her husband died she became very <b>withdrawn</b>.</i>

