

Need another word that means the same as “skeptical”? Find 5 synonyms and 30 related words for “skeptical” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Skeptical” are: doubting, questioning, sceptical, disbelieving, unbelieving

Skeptical as an Adjective

Definitions of "Skeptical" as an adjective

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

- *Denying or questioning the tenets of especially a religion.*
- *Marked by or given to doubt.*



Synonyms of "Skeptical" as an adjective (5 Words)

- disbelieving** Denying or questioning the tenets of especially a religion.
*The **disbelieving** look in her eyes.*
- doubting** Expressing or feeling uncertainty or lack of conviction; sceptical.
*People look at it through **doubting** eyes.*
- questioning** Perplexed (as if being expected to know something that you do not know).
*Aaron shot her a **questioning** glance.*
- sceptical** Not easily convinced; having doubts or reservations.
*The public were deeply **sceptical** about some of the proposals.*
- unbelieving** Holding that only material phenomena can be known and knowledge of spiritual matters or ultimate causes is impossible.
*They were to preach to the **unbelieving** people.*



Usage Examples of "Skeptical" as an adjective

- *A skeptical listener.*
- *A skeptical approach to the nature of miracles.*
- *A skeptical attitude.*



Associations of "Skeptical" (30 Words)

- agnostic** Of or pertaining to an agnostic or agnosticism.
*Many common file formats JPEG MP3 etc are platform **agnostic**.*
- amazement** A feeling of great surprise or wonder.
*To her **amazement** Bill was keen.*
- askance** With an attitude or look of suspicion or disapproval.
*A waiter looked **askance** at his jeans.*
- askew** Turned or twisted to one side.
*The judging was a bit **askew**.*
- atheist** Related to or characterized by or given to atheism.
***Atheist** leanings.*
- cynical** Contemptuous; mocking.
*He gave a **cynical** laugh.*

<u>disbelief</u>	Lack of faith. <i>Laura shook her head in disbelief.</i>
<u>distrust</u>	Doubt the honesty or reliability of; regard with suspicion. <i>The public s distrust of politicians.</i>
<u>doubt</u>	Consider unlikely or have doubts about. <i>I doubt my ability to do the job.</i>
doubtful	Not established as genuine or acceptable. <i>It is doubtful whether these schemes have any lasting effect.</i>
<u>dubious</u>	Not convinced. <i>They admitted the force of my argument but remained dubious.</i>
freethinker	A person who rejects religion.
incredulity	Doubt about the truth of something. <i>He stared down the street in incredulity.</i>
<u>incredulous</u>	(of a person or their manner) unwilling or unable to believe something. <i>An incredulous gasp.</i>
<u>leery</u>	Openly distrustful and unwilling to confide. <i>A city leery of gang violence.</i>
<u>pessimist</u>	A person who believes that this world is as bad as it could be or that evil will ultimately prevail over good. <i>The pessimists point to ways in which life has deteriorated.</i>
question	Pose a question. <i>Her loyalty is really beyond question.</i>
<u>questionable</u>	Likely to be dishonourable or morally suspect. <i>It is questionable whether any of these exceptions is genuine.</i>
questioning	Marked by or given to doubt. <i>Aaron shot her a questioning glance.</i>
sceptic	A person inclined to question or doubt accepted opinions.
sceptical	Marked by or given to doubt. <i>The public were deeply sceptical about some of the proposals.</i>
sidelong	Directed to or from one side. <i>Shot out sidelong boughs.</i>
skeptic	Someone who habitually doubts accepted beliefs.
skepticism	The disbelief in any claims of ultimate knowledge.
surprise	Cause to be surprised. <i>The announcement came as a complete surprise.</i>
<u>suspicious</u>	Not as expected. <i>Police were called when staff became suspicious.</i>

suspiciously In a way that arouses suspicion or distrust.
*Women have been eyed **suspiciously** by the Party.*

unbelief A rejection of belief.
*The darkness of **unbelief**.*

uncertain Not certain to occur; not inevitable.
*Everything is **uncertain** about the army.*

uncertainty The state of being unsure of something.
*The **uncertainty** of the outcome.*

