

Need another word that means the same as “skittish”? Find 10 synonyms and 30 related words for “skittish” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Skittish” are: flighty, nervous, spooky, restive, excitable, playful, lively, high-spirited, frisky, coltish**

## Skittish as an Adjective

### Definitions of "Skittish" as an adjective

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

- *(of an animal, especially a horse) nervous or excitable; easily scared.*
- *(of a person) playfully frivolous or unpredictable.*
- *Unpredictably excitable (especially of horses).*



## Synonyms of "Skittish" as an adjective (10 Words)

**coltish** Energetic but awkward in one's movements or behaviour.  
*Their impossibly **coltish** legs.*



<b><u>excitable</u></b>	(of tissue or a cell) responsive to stimulation. <i>A rather <b>excitable</b> young man.</i>
<b><u>flighty</u></b>	Guided by whim and fancy. <i>Her mother was a <b>flighty</b> Southern belle.</i>
<b>frisky</b>	Playful like a lively kitten. <i>He bounds about like a <b>frisky</b> pup.</i>
<b>high-spirited</b>	Joyously unrestrained.
<b>lively</b>	Full of zest or vigor. <i>This whole <b>lively</b> world.</i>
<b><u>nervous</u></b>	Of or relating to the nervous system. <i><b>Nervous</b> disease.</i>
<b><u>playful</u></b>	Intended for one's own or others' amusement rather than seriously. <i>A <b>playful</b> tomboy who loves to dress up.</i>
<b>restive</b>	Impatient especially under restriction or delay. <i>He reiterated his determination to hold the <b>restive</b> republics together.</i>
<b><u>spooky</u></b>	Unpredictably excitable (especially of horses). <i>I bet this place is really <b>spooky</b> late at night.</i>



## Usage Examples of "Skittish" as an adjective

- *A skittish chestnut mare.*
- *Skittish investors withdrew their money from equity markets.*
- *My skittish and immature mother.*



## Associations of "Skittish" (30 Words)

- afraid** Filled with fear or apprehension.  
***Afraid** to ask questions.*
- amaze** Affect with wonder.  
*Your ability to speak six languages **amazes** me.*
- amazed** Filled with the emotional impact of overwhelming surprise or shock.  
*He was **amazed** at how modern everything was.*
- astonish** Surprise or impress (someone) greatly.  
*You never fail to **astonish** me.*
- astonished** Greatly surprised or impressed; amazed.  
*We were **astonished** to hear of this decision.*
- astounding** So surprisingly impressive as to stun or overwhelm.  
*An **astounding** achievement.*

<b>coward</b>	A person who is contemptibly lacking in the courage to do or endure dangerous or unpleasant things. <i>They had run away the <b>cowards</b>.</i>
<b>cowardice</b>	Lack of bravery. <i>His 11th hour decision not to hold an election led to accusations of <b>cowardice</b>.</i>
<b>daze</b>	A state of stunned confusion or bewilderment. <i>She was <b>dazed</b> by his revelations.</i>
<b>eerie</b>	Suggestive of the supernatural; mysterious. <i>An <b>eerie</b> green glow in the sky.</i>
<b>excitable</b>	Easily excited. <i>A rather <b>excitable</b> young man.</i>
<b>fear</b>	Avoid doing something because one is afraid. <i>I cowered in <b>fear</b> as bullets whizzed past.</i>
<b>fearful</b>	Lacking courage; ignobly timid and faint-hearted- P.B.Shelley. <i><b>Fearful</b> slum conditions.</i>
<b>flighty</b>	Fickle and irresponsible. <i><b>Flighty</b> young girls.</i>
<b>gruesome</b>	Causing repulsion or horror; grisly. <i>The most <b>gruesome</b> murder.</i>
<b>nervous</b>	Of or relating to the nervous system. <i>Staying in the house on her own made her <b>nervous</b>.</i>
<b>paralyze</b>	Cause to be paralyzed and immobile. <i>The poison <b>paralyzed</b> him.</i>
<b>redoubtable</b>	Inspiring fear- G.H.Johnston. <i>The <b>redoubtable</b> ladies.</i>
<b>scare</b>	Become scared. <i>I don t think I <b>scare</b> easily.</i>
<b>scared</b>	Made afraid. <i>He s <b>scared</b> to come to you and ask for help.</i>
<b>shock</b>	Collect or gather into shocks. <i>The old car needed a new set of <b>shocks</b>.</i>
<b>shocked</b>	Struck with fear, dread, or consternation.
<b>spooky</b>	Easily frightened; nervous. <i>Some horses are more <b>spooky</b> by nature than others.</i>
<b>startle</b>	Move or jump suddenly, as if in surprise or alarm. <i>She <b>startled</b> when I walked into the room.</i>



- stun** Knock unconscious or into a dazed or semi-conscious state.  
*The man was **stunned** by a blow to the head.*
- stupefy** Make senseless or dizzy by or as if by a blow.  
*The amount they spend on clothes would appal their parents and **stupefy** their grandparents.*
- stupor** The feeling of distress and disbelief that you have when something bad happens accidentally.  
*A drunken **stupor**.*
- surprise** Cause to be surprised.  
*Joe was **surprised** that he enjoyed the journey.*
- surprised** Taken unawares or suddenly and feeling wonder or astonishment.  
*There was a **surprised** silence.*
- uneasy** Socially uncomfortable; unsure and constrained in manner.  
*An **uneasy** silence.*

