

Need another word that means the same as “sordid”? Find 48 synonyms and 30 related words for “sordid” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Sordid” are: dirty, shoddy, flyblown, squalid, seamy, seedy, sleazy, unsavoury, vile, foul, tawdry, louche, cheap, base, low, debased, degenerate, corrupt, dishonest, dishonourable, disreputable, despicable, discreditable, contemptible, ignominious, ignoble, shameful, wretched, abhorrent, abominable, disgusting, filthy, mucky, grimy, muddy, grubby, shabby, messy, soiled, stained, scummy, slimy, sticky, sooty, dusty, unclean, flea-bitten, slummy

Sordid as an Adjective

Definitions of "Sordid" as an adjective

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

- *Unethical or dishonest.*
- *Morally degraded.*
- *Involving immoral or dishonourable actions and motives; arousing moral distaste and contempt.*
- *Dirty or squalid.*
- *Meanly avaricious and mercenary.*
- *Foul and run-down and repulsive.*
- *Morally degraded- Seattle Weekly.*

Synonyms of "Sordid" as an adjective (48 Words)

abhorrent	Offensive to the mind. <i>An abhorrent deed.</i>
abominable	Unequivocally detestable. <i>The uprising was suppressed with abominable cruelty.</i>
base	Debased not genuine. <i>That liberal obedience without which your army would be a base rabble.</i>
cheap	Inexpensive because of inferior quality. <i>She s too cheap to send me a postcard.</i>
contemptible	Deserving contempt; despicable. <i>A display of contemptible cowardice.</i>
corrupt	Lacking in integrity. <i>A corrupt text.</i>
debased	Lowered in value. <i>A debased currency.</i>
degenerate	(of a type of equation, curve, etc.) equivalent to a simpler type, especially when a variable or parameter is set to zero. <i>A degenerate form of a higher civilization.</i>
despicable	Morally reprehensible. <i>A despicable crime.</i>
discreditable	Tending to bring harm to a reputation. <i>Allegations of discreditable conduct.</i>
disgusting	Arousing revulsion or strong indignation. <i>A disgusting smell.</i>
dishonest	Intended to mislead or cheat. <i>He gave the editor a dishonest account of events.</i>
dishonourable	Lacking honor or integrity; deserving dishonor. <i>His crimes are petty and dishonourable.</i>
disreputable	Not considered to be respectable in character or appearance. <i>He was heavy grubby and vaguely disreputable.</i>
dusty	Staid and uninteresting. <i>Dusty old records.</i>
filthy	Contemptible (used for emphasis). <i>It looked like being a filthy night.</i>
flea-bitten	Worn and broken down by hard use.
flyblown	Foul and run-down and repulsive. <i>The flyblown pool halls of his youth.</i>

foul	Not hit between the foul lines. <i>A foul odor.</i>
grimy	Covered with or characterized by grime. <i>Grimy hands.</i>
grubby	Covered with dirt; grimy. <i>The grubby face of a young boy.</i>
ignoble	Completely lacking nobility in character or quality or purpose- Oliver We. <i>I think it a less evil that some criminals should escape than that the government should play an ignoble part.</i>
ignominious	(used of conduct or character) deserving or bringing disgrace or shame. <i>An ignominious retreat.</i>
louche	Disreputable and dissolute, somewhat agreeably. <i>A louche nightclub.</i>
low	Subdued or brought low in condition or status. <i>A low cut black dress.</i>
messy	Untidy or dirty. <i>His messy hair.</i>
mucky	Covered with dirt or filth. <i>Wet mucky lowland.</i>
muddy	Soft and watery. <i>They changed their muddy boots.</i>
scummy	Of the most contemptible kind. <i>The scummy surface of the polluted pond.</i>
seamy	Sordid and disreputable. <i>The seamy side of life.</i>
seedy	Shabby and untidy. <i>An increasingly seedy and dilapidated property.</i>
shabby	Mean and unworthy and despicable. <i>Snooping was he That s a shabby trick.</i>
shameful	(used of conduct or character) deserving or bringing disgrace or shame. <i>A shameful display of cowardice.</i>
shoddy	Cheap and shoddy Judith Crist. <i>A shoddy misuse of the honours system.</i>
slimy	Covered with or resembling slime. <i>Thick slimy mud.</i>

slummy	Squalid or unfit for human habitation. <i>A small slummy apartment where three generations of a family crowd together.</i>
soiled	Soiled or likely to soil with dirt or grime. <i>A chance to repair their soiled reputations.</i>
sooty	Used in names of birds and other animals that are mainly blackish or brownish black e.g sooty tern. <i>His olive skin and sooty eyes.</i>
squalid	Foul and run-down and repulsive. <i>The squalid overcrowded prison.</i>
stained	Marked or dyed or discolored with foreign matter. <i>Her ink stained fingers.</i>
sticky	Having the sticky properties of an adhesive. <i>More and more often web designers focus on the need to add sticky features to their sites.</i>
unclean	(in biblical use) ritually impure; (of a spirit) evil. <i>And the swine is unclean to you.</i>
unsavoury	Disagreeable to taste, smell, or look at. <i>An unsavoury reputation.</i>
vile	Causing or able to cause nausea. <i>The vile development of slavery appalled them.</i>
wretched	Very unhappy; full of misery. <i>She disliked the wretched man intensely.</i>

Usage Examples of "Sordid" as an adjective

- *A sordid political campaign.*
- *The sordid details of his orgies stank under his very nostrils.*
- *Sordid shantytowns.*
- *The story paints a sordid picture of bribes and scams.*
- *The overcrowded housing conditions were sordid and degrading.*
- *Sordid avarice.*
- *Sordid material interests.*

Associations of "Sordid" (30 Words)

<u>acquisitive</u>	Excessively interested in acquiring money or material things. <i>An acquisitive society in which the craving for material things seems never satisfied.</i>
corrupt	Corrupt morally or by intemperance or sensuality. <i>A backup copy will be needed if the original copy becomes corrupted.</i>
discreditable	Tending to bring discredit or disrepute; blameworthy. <i>His marks were not at all discreditable.</i>
disreputable	Not considered to be respectable in character or appearance. <i>He was heavy grubby and vaguely disreputable.</i>
<u>escapade</u>	Any carefree episode. <i>Schoolgirl escapades.</i>
<u>filthy</u>	Disgustingly dirty; filled or smeared with offensive matter. <i>A filthy traitor.</i>
foul	In sport commit a foul against an opponent. <i>We feared the anchor would foul in the heavy grasses.</i>
genitive	The genitive case. <i>The genitive endings.</i>
gluttonous	Excessively greedy. <i>Over fed women and their gluttonous husbands.</i>
greedy	Wanting to eat or drink more than one can reasonably consume. <i>He scoffed the lot the greedy pig.</i>
grimy	Thickly covered with ingrained dirt or soot. <i>Grimy hands.</i>
<u>infamous</u>	Known widely and usually unfavorably. <i>An infamous war criminal.</i>
<u>lecherous</u>	Having or showing excessive or offensive sexual desire. <i>A lecherous good for nothing.</i>
<u>messy</u>	Generating or involving mess. <i>His messy hair.</i>
<u>notorious</u>	Known widely and usually unfavorably. <i>Los Angeles is notorious for its smog.</i>
<u>possessive</u>	A possessive word or form. <i>Has he become jealous or possessive.</i>
<u>predatory</u>	(of an animal) preying naturally on others. <i>Predatory species of shark.</i>
rapacious	Living by preying on other animals especially by catching living prey. <i>A rapacious divorcee on the prowl.</i>

raptorial	Living by preying on other animals especially by catching living prey. <i>Raptorial front legs.</i>
ravening	Living by preying on other animals especially by catching living prey. <i>They turned on each other like ravening wolves.</i>
scabrous	Unpleasant; unattractive. <i>A scabrous novel.</i>
seamy	Showing a seam. <i>A seamy sex scandal.</i>
seedy	Morally degraded. <i>A seedy district.</i>
squalid	Morally degraded- Seattle Weekly. <i>A squalid attempt to save themselves from electoral embarrassment.</i>
unclean	Morally wrong. <i>Both religions regard pork as unclean.</i>
<u>unscrupulous</u>	Having or showing no moral principles; not honest or fair. <i>Unscrupulous politicians who would be happy to sell their country in order to gain power.</i>
vile	Causing or able to cause nausea. <i>He has a vile temper.</i>
<u>voracious</u>	Wanting or devouring great quantities of food. <i>She s a voracious reader.</i>