

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

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The synonyms of “Sporadic” are: occasional, infrequent, irregular, periodical, periodic, scattered, patchy, isolated, odd, uneven

Sporadic as an Adjective

Definitions of "Sporadic" as an adjective

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

- *Recurring in scattered and irregular or unpredictable instances.*
- *Occurring at irregular intervals or only in a few places; scattered or isolated.*



Synonyms of "Sporadic" as an adjective (10 Words)

- infrequent** Not occurring often; rare.
Infrequent outbursts of temper.
- irregular** Not occurring at a regular rate or fixed intervals.
An irregular heartbeat.
- isolated** Having minimal contact or little in common with others.
Tiny isolated villages remote from centers of civilization.
- occasional** Occurring from time to time.
Occasional headaches.
- odd** Beyond or deviating from the usual or expected.
It is odd that his name is never mentioned.
- patchy** Not of the same quality throughout; inconsistent.
My knowledge of Egyptology is patchy.
- periodic** Relating to the periodic table of the elements.
The periodic appearance of the seventeen year locust.

periodical Happening or recurring at regular intervals.
*She took **periodical** gulps of her tea.*

scattered Occurring or distributed over widely spaced and irregular intervals in time or space.
*Changes in the angular distribution of **scattered** light.*

uneven Lacking consistency.
*Wood with an **uneven** grain.*



Usage Examples of "Sporadic" as an adjective

- *Sporadic fighting broke out.*
- *A city subjected to sporadic bombing raids.*



Associations of "Sporadic" (30 Words)

- collectable** An item valued and sought by collectors.
*A hire car **collectable** on your arrival.*
- collectible** Things considered to be worth collecting (not necessarily valuable or antique).
*A **collectible** bill.*
- episodic** Occurring occasionally and at irregular intervals.
*An account concerned primarily with **episodic** events such as the succession of rulers.*
- exceptional** Surpassing what is common or usual or expected.
*Late claims will only be accepted in **exceptional** circumstances.*

fitful	Occurring in spells and often abruptly. <i>Business was fitful.</i>
flighty	Guided by whim and fancy. <i>Her mother was a flighty Southern belle.</i>
hardly	Slowly and with difficulty. <i>The rule worked hardly.</i>
infrequent	Not occurring often; rare. <i>Infrequent outbursts of temper.</i>
infrequently	Not many times. <i>He cooks but only infrequently.</i>
intermittent	Stopping and starting at irregular intervals. <i>Intermittent rain showers.</i>
intermittently	In an intermittent manner. <i>An intermittently amusing plot.</i>
irregular	A member of an irregular armed force that fights a stronger force by sabotage and harassment. <i>His strong irregular features.</i>
occasional	Employed for a particular occasion or on an irregular basis. <i>The occasional car went by but no taxis.</i>
occasionally	Now and then or here and there. <i>We met up occasionally for a drink.</i>
oddity	A strange or peculiar person or thing. <i>She was regarded as a bit of an oddity.</i>
oft	Many times at short intervals. <i>We often met over a cup of coffee.</i>
often	In many cases or instances. <i>He often goes for long walks by himself.</i>
oftentimes	Frequently; many times. <i>I would oftentimes go there.</i>
periodic	Relating to the periodic table of the elements. <i>The periodic appearance of the seventeen year locust.</i>
rare	(of an event, situation, or condition) not occurring very often. <i>He plays with rare sensitivity.</i>
rarefaction	Reduction in the density of something, especially air or a gas. <i>Opposed processes such as rarefaction and condensation.</i>
scarce	Scarcely. <i>As raw materials became scarce synthetics were developed.</i>

- seldom** Not common; infrequent.
*He was **seldom** absent.*
- sometimes** On certain occasions or in certain cases but not always.
***Sometimes** I want to do things on my own.*
- sparse** Thinly dispersed or scattered.
*Trees were **sparse**.*
- sparsity** The property of being scanty or scattered; lacking denseness.
- sporadically** In a sporadic manner.
*He only works **sporadically**.*
- spotty** Having spots or patches (small areas of contrasting color or texture).
*A **spotty** purple flower.*
- uncommon** Marked by an uncommon quality especially superlative or extreme of its kind J R Lowell.
*An **uncommon** liking for money.*
- unpredictable** Not capable of being foretold.
*An **unpredictable** or indeterminable future.*

