

Need another word that means the same as “toxic”? Find 12 synonyms and 30 related words for “toxic” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Toxic” are: poisonous, venomous, virulent, noxious, dangerous, destructive, harmful, unsafe, malignant, injurious, pestilential, pernicious**

## Toxic as an Adjective

### Definitions of "Toxic" as an adjective

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

- *Denoting or relating to debt that has a high risk of default.*
- *Of or relating to or caused by a toxin or poison.*
- *Very harmful or unpleasant in a pervasive or insidious way.*
- *Relating to or caused by poison.*
- *Poisonous.*
- *Denoting securities that are based on toxic debt and for which there is not a healthy or functioning market.*



## Synonyms of "Toxic" as an adjective (12 Words)

- dangerous** Causing fear or anxiety by threatening great harm.  
*It is **dangerous** to convict on his evidence.*
- destructive** Negative and unhelpful.  
***Destructive** criticism.*
- harmful** Causing or capable of causing harm.  
*Too much sun is **harmful** to the skin.*
- injurious** Harmful to living things.  
*Food which is **injurious** to health.*
- malignant** Evil in nature or effect; malevolent.  
*In the hands of **malignant** fate.*
- noxious** Harmful, poisonous, or very unpleasant.  
*They were overcome by the **noxious** fumes.*
- pernicious** Exceedingly harmful.  
*The **pernicious** influences of the mass media.*

- pestilential** Relating to or tending to cause infectious diseases.  
*The tsetse flies that are so **pestilential** in tropical Africa.*
- (of an animal) producing poison as a means of attacking enemies or prey;
- poisonous** venomous.  
***Poisonous** chemicals.*
- unsafe** Involving or causing danger or risk; liable to hurt or harm.  
*Drinking water in some areas may be **unsafe**.*
- venomous** Marked by deep ill will; deliberately harmful.  
***Venomous** snakes.*
- virulent** Extremely poisonous or injurious; producing venom.  
*A **virulent** attack on liberalism.*



### Usage Examples of "Toxic" as an adjective

- *Alcohol is toxic to the ovaries.*
- *Staff created a toxic work environment.*
- *Toxic hazards.*



- *Suffering from exposure to toxic substances.*
- *Toxic liver injury.*
- *The financial system has become clogged with toxic assets.*
- *Toxic debts.*
- *In the last couple of years the atmosphere has turned toxic.*
- *Toxic chemicals.*
- *A toxic relationship.*
- *The dumping of toxic waste.*



## Associations of "Toxic" (30 Words)

- antidote** A medicine taken or given to counteract a particular poison.  
*Laughter is a good **antidote** to stress.*
- carcinogen** Any substance that produces cancer.
- carcinogenic** Having the potential to cause cancer.

<b>cholera</b>	An infectious and often fatal bacterial disease of the small intestine, typically contracted from infected water supplies and causing severe vomiting and diarrhoea.
<b>dangerous</b>	Likely to cause problems or to have adverse consequences. <i>A <b>dangerous</b> bridge.</i>
<b>deadly</b>	Extremely (used as intensives). <i>We are <b>deadly</b> enemies.</i>
<b>detoxify</b>	Treat for alcohol or drug dependence. <i><b>Detoxify</b> the soil.</i>
<b>dope</b>	Carbonated drink flavored with extract from kola nuts dope is a southernism in the United States. <i>Is that the straight <b>dope</b>.</i>
<b>emission</b>	The act of emitting; causing to flow forth. <i>Cuts in carbon dioxide <b>emissions</b>.</i>
<b>exotoxin</b>	A toxin that is secreted by microorganisms into the surrounding medium.
<b><u>fatal</u></b>	Causing death. <i>A <b>fatal</b> accident.</i>
<b>fumes</b>	Gases ejected from an engine as waste products.
<b><u>hazardous</u></b>	Risky; dangerous. <i>We work in <b>hazardous</b> conditions.</i>
<b>herbicide</b>	A substance that is toxic to plants, used to destroy unwanted vegetation. <i>Farmers sprayed a protected wildflower meadow with <b>herbicide</b>.</i>
<b>mercury</b>	The column of mercury in a thermometer or barometer or its height as indicating atmospheric temperature or pressure. <i>The <b>mercury</b> was falling rapidly.</i>
<b>neurotoxin</b>	A poison which acts on the nervous system.
<b>noxious</b>	Injurious to physical or mental health. <i><b>Noxious</b> ideas.</i>
<b><u>pernicious</u></b>	Having a harmful effect, especially in a gradual or subtle way. <i>The <b>pernicious</b> influences of the mass media.</i>
<b>poison</b>	Spoil as if by poison. <i>Meanwhile he is spreading his <b>poison</b> over the internet.</i>
<b>poisoning</b>	The act of giving poison to a person or animal with the intent to kill. <i>The <b>poisoning</b> of a former spy.</i>
<b>poisonous</b>	(of an animal) producing poison as a means of attacking enemies or prey; venomous. <i>A <b>poisonous</b> snake.</i>

<b>pollutant</b>	Waste matter that contaminates the water or air or soil. <i><b>Pollutant</b> gases.</i>
<b>tarantula</b>	Large southern European spider once thought to be the cause of tarantism (uncontrollable bodily movement).
<b>tetanus</b>	A sustained muscular contraction resulting from a rapid series of nerve impulses.
<b><u>toxicity</u></b>	Grave harmfulness or deadliness. <i>She went public with allegations of workplace <b>toxicity</b> and sexism.</i>
<b>toxin</b>	A poison of plant or animal origin, especially one produced by or derived from microorganisms and acting as an antigen in the body.
<b>venom</b>	Toxin secreted by animals; secreted by certain snakes and poisonous insects (e.g., spiders and scorpions). <i>Snake <b>venoms</b> have different effects.</i>
<b>venomous</b>	(of an animal, especially a snake) secreting venom, or capable of injecting venom by means of a bite or sting. <i>A leading expert on <b>venomous</b> snakes.</i>
<b>virulence</b>	The severity or harmfulness of a disease or poison. <i>The <b>virulence</b> of the plague.</i>
<b>virulent</b>	Bitterly hostile. <i>A <b>virulent</b> strain of influenza.</i>



