

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.

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

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

