

Need another word that means the same as “turbulent”? Find 32 synonyms and 30 related words for “turbulent” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Turbulent” are: disruptive, riotous, troubled, tumultuous, churning, roiled, roiling, roily, tempestuous, stormy, unstable, unsettled, explosive, in turmoil, full of upheavals, full of conflict, full of ups and downs, chaotic, full of confusion, rough, storm-tossed, heavy, violent, wild, angry, raging, boiling, seething, foaming, choppy, bumpy, agitated

Turbulent as an Adjective

Definitions of "Turbulent" as an adjective

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

- *Characterized by conflict, disorder, or confusion; not stable or calm.*
- *(of air or water) moving unsteadily or violently.*
- *Agitated vigorously; in a state of turbulence.*
- *(of a liquid) agitated vigorously; in a state of turbulence.*
- *Characterized by unrest or disorder or insubordination.*
- *Relating to or denoting flow of a fluid in which the velocity at any point fluctuates irregularly and there is continual mixing rather than a steady or laminar flow pattern.*



Synonyms of "Turbulent" as an adjective (32 Words)

agitated

Troubled emotionally and usually deeply.
*There s no point getting **agitated**.*

angry

(of a wound or sore) red and inflamed.
*Why are you **angry** with me.*

boiling

At or near boiling point.
*Saturday is forecast to be **boiling** and sunny.*

bumpy

(of a journey or other movement) involving sudden jolts and jerks.
*The car jolted on the **bumpy** road.*

chaotic

Relating to systems which exhibit chaos.
*The political situation was **chaotic**.*

choppy

Having a disjointed or jerky quality.
***Choppy** seas.*

churning	Moving with or producing or produced by vigorous agitation. <i>Winds whipped the piled leaves into churning masses.</i>
disruptive	Characterized by unrest or disorder or insubordination. <i>The hours of work are disruptive to home life.</i>
explosive	Sudden and loud. <i>An explosive issue.</i>
foaming	Emitting or filled with bubbles as from carbonation or fermentation. <i>Pints of foaming bitter.</i>
full of conflict	Being at a peak or culminating point.
full of confusion	Containing as much or as many as is possible or normal.
full of upheavals	Containing as much or as many as is possible or normal.
full of ups and downs	Having marked deepness and body.
heavy	Large and powerful especially designed for heavy loads or rough work. <i>I fell into a heavy sleep.</i>
in turmoil	Holding office.
raging	Tremendous. <i>A raging toothache.</i>
riotous	Characterized by unrest or disorder or insubordination. <i>Riotous living.</i>
roiled	(of a liquid) agitated vigorously; in a state of turbulence. <i>Roiled by the delay.</i>
roiling	(of a liquid) agitated vigorously; in a state of turbulence. <i>The river s roiling current.</i>
roily	Agitated vigorously; in a state of turbulence. <i>Those waters were roily high and muddy.</i>
rough	Ready and able to resort to force or violence- Herman Melville. <i>They were rough and determined fighting men.</i>
seething	(of a crowd) moving in a rapid or hectic way. <i>Lovers and madmen have such seething brains.</i>
storm-tossed	Pounded or hit repeatedly by storms or adversities.
stormy	Characterized by violent emotions or behavior. <i>A dark and stormy night.</i>
tempestuous	Very stormy. <i>A tempestuous wind.</i>

troubled

Showing distress or anxiety.

*Fell into a **troubled** sleep.*

tumultuous

Characterized by unrest or disorder or insubordination.

*A **tumultuous** crowd.*

unsettled

Subject to change.

***Unsettled** weather with rain and hail and sunshine coming one right after the other.*

unstable

Lacking stability or fixity or firmness.

*He was mentally **unstable**.*

violent

Marked by extreme intensity of emotions or convictions inclined to react violently fervid.

***Violent** passions.*

wild

Produced from wild animals or plants without cultivation.

*Who even in their **wildest** dreams could have anticipated such a victory.*



Usage Examples of "Turbulent" as an adjective

- *A turbulent and unruly childhood.*
- *Her turbulent emotions.*
- *The country's turbulent history.*
- *Turbulent rapids.*
- *The turbulent sea.*



Associations of "Turbulent" (30 Words)

agitated	Feeling or appearing troubled or nervous. <i>There s no point getting agitated.</i>
<u>annoy</u>	Cause annoyance in disturb especially by minor irritations. <i>The decision really annoyed him.</i>
bother	An angry disturbance. <i>A spot of bother.</i>

dilemma	An argument forcing an opponent to choose either of two unfavourable alternatives. <i>He wants to make money but he also disapproves of it. He's dilemma in a nutshell.</i>
disputable	Capable of being disproved. <i>Whether it can be described as art criticism may be disputable.</i>
disquiet	Disturb in mind or make uneasy or cause to be worried or alarmed. <i>Public disquiet about animal testing.</i>
disrupt	(of a company or form of technology) cause radical change in (an industry or market) by means of innovation. <i>If an explosion of volcanic steam had formed the crater the blast from below would have disrupted the underlying rock.</i>
disruptive	Causing or tending to cause disruption. <i>Effects of the struggle will be violent and disruptive.</i>
distract	Disturb in mind or make uneasy or cause to be worried or alarmed. <i>I tried to distract myself by concentrating on Jane.</i>
distracted	Having the attention diverted especially because of anxiety. <i>Charlotte seemed too distracted to give him much attention.</i>
disturb	Make (someone) anxious. <i>Don't disturb the patient's wounds by moving him too rapidly.</i>
heckle	Comb with a heckle. <i>Hemp was heckled and spun into rope yarn.</i>
incapacitate	Prevent from functioning in a normal way. <i>He was incapacitated by a heart attack.</i>
inconvenience	To cause inconvenience or discomfort to. <i>The inconvenience of having to change trains.</i>
incubus	A male demon believed to lie on sleeping persons and to have sexual intercourse with sleeping women. <i>Debt is a big incubus in developing countries.</i>
interfere	Of light or other electromagnetic waveforms interact to produce interference. <i>You promised not to interfere.</i>
interrupt	Stop (someone speaking) by saying or doing something. <i>The buzzer interrupted his thoughts.</i>
intervene	Take part in something so as to prevent or alter a result or course of events. <i>The war intervened between the birth of her two children.</i>

nuisance	(law) a broad legal concept including anything that disturbs the reasonable use of your property or endangers life and health or is offensive. <i>I hope you re not going to make a nuisance of yourself.</i>
obtrude	Impose or force (something) on someone in an unwelcome or intrusive way. <i>A sound from the reception hall obtruded into his thoughts.</i>
overwrought	In a state of nervous excitement or anxiety. <i>Overwrought prose.</i>
perturb	Cause a celestial body to deviate from a theoretically regular orbital motion, especially as a result of interposed or extraordinary gravitational pull. <i>Nuclear weapons could be used to perturb the orbit of an asteroid.</i>
plight	A situation from which extrication is difficult especially an unpleasant or trying one. <i>We must direct our efforts towards relieving the plight of children living in poverty.</i>
polemical	Of or involving dispute or controversy. <i>A polemical essay.</i>
problematic	Constituting or presenting a problem. <i>A problematic situation at home.</i>
stonewall	Delay or obstruct (a request, process, or person) by refusing to answer questions or by being evasive. <i>When she doesn t like to face a problem she simply stonewalls.</i>
trouble	Take the trouble to do something concern oneself. <i>Our troubles are just beginning.</i>
tumultuous	Excited, confused, or disorderly. <i>The tumultuous years of his administration.</i>
upset	The act of upsetting something. <i>The greatest upset in boxing history.</i>
vex	Be a mystery or bewildering to. <i>Vex the subject of the death penalty.</i>

