

Need another word that means the same as “unpleasant”? Find 47 synonyms and 30 related words for “unpleasant” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Unpleasant” are: disagreeable, irksome, troublesome, annoying, irritating, vexatious, displeasing, uncomfortable, distressing, nasty, horrible, appalling, terrible, awful, dreadful, hateful, detestable, miserable, abominable, execrable, odious, invidious, objectionable, offensive, obnoxious, repugnant, repulsive, repellent, revolting, disgusting, distasteful, nauseating, unsavoury, unpalatable, ugly, unappetizing, uninviting, unappealing, off-putting, inedible, uneatable, bitter, sour, rancid, unlikable, unlovable, unattractive

Unpleasant as an Adjective

Definitions of "Unpleasant" as an adjective

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

- *Disagreeable to the senses, to the mind, or feelings.*
- *(of a person or their manner) unfriendly and inconsiderate; rude.*
- *Offensive or disagreeable; causing discomfort or unhappiness.*
- *Causing discomfort, unhappiness, or revulsion; disagreeable.*



Synonyms of "Unpleasant" as an adjective (47 Words)

abominable	Causing moral revulsion. <i>What an abominable mess.</i>
annoying	Causing irritation or annoyance. <i>Annoying habits.</i>
<u>appalling</u>	Very bad; awful. <i>His conduct was appalling.</i>
awful	Offensive or even (of persons) malicious- Ezra Pound. <i>An awful speech.</i>
<u>bitter</u>	Harsh or corrosive in tone. <i>She knew from bitter experience how treacherous such feelings could be.</i>
detestable	Unequivocally detestable. <i>I found the film s violence detestable.</i>
<u>disagreeable</u>	Not to your liking. <i>Aspects of his work are disagreeable to him.</i>
disgusting	Arousing revulsion or strong indignation. <i>A disgusting smell.</i>
displeasing	Causing annoyance or dissatisfaction; disagreeable. <i>Displeasing news.</i>
distasteful	Causing dislike or aversion; disagreeable or unpleasant. <i>Distasteful language.</i>
distressing	Bad; unfortunate. <i>Some very distressing news.</i>
<u>dreadful</u>	Extremely disagreeable. <i>She looked quite dreadful and she was struggling for breath.</i>
execrable	Unequivocally detestable. <i>Execrable cheap wine.</i>
hateful	Characterized by malice. <i>That hateful arrogant woman.</i>
horrible	Very unpleasant. <i>War is beyond all words horrible.</i>
inedible	Not fit or suitable for eating. <i>An inedible variety of mushroom.</i>
invidious	(of a comparison or distinction) unfairly discriminating; unjust. <i>She d put herself in an invidious position.</i>

irksome	Irritating; annoying. <i>Petty regulations were becoming very irksome.</i>
irritating	Causing physical discomfort. <i>The substance may be irritating to eyes and skin.</i>
<u>miserable</u>	(of a person) wretchedly unhappy or uncomfortable. <i>Almost depleted his miserable store of dried beans.</i>
<u>nasty</u>	Damaging or harmful. <i>Harry was a nasty foul mouthed old devil.</i>
nauseating	Causing or able to cause nausea. <i>Some nauseating sentimental ditty.</i>
objectionable	Liable to objection or debate; used of something one might take exception to. <i>Found the politician's views objectionable.</i>
<u>obnoxious</u>	Extremely unpleasant. <i>He found her son somewhat obnoxious.</i>
odious	Extremely unpleasant; repulsive. <i>Consequences odious to those you govern.</i>
off-putting	Tending to repel- Elizabeth Hess.
offensive	Morally offensive. <i>Offensive remarks.</i>
rancid	(used of decomposing oils or fats) having a rank smell or taste usually due to a chemical change or decomposition. <i>Rancid butter.</i>
repellent	Highly offensive; arousing aversion or disgust. <i>The idea of eating meat is repellent to me.</i>
repugnant	In conflict or incompatible with. <i>Morally repugnant customs.</i>
repulsive	Possessing the ability to repel. <i>The most repulsive character in recent novels.</i>
<u>revolting</u>	Highly offensive; arousing aversion or disgust. <i>Revolting food.</i>
<u>sour</u>	(of soil) deficient in lime and usually dank. <i>A sour temper.</i>
terrible	Extremely bad or serious. <i>The weather was terrible.</i>
<u>troublesome</u>	Difficult to deal with. <i>A troublesome infection.</i>

unappealing	(of characters in literature or drama) tending to evoke antipathetic feelings. <i>Was forced to talk to his singularly unappealing hostess.</i>
unappetizing	Not inviting or attractive; unwholesome. <i>An unappetizing leg of chicken.</i>
unattractive	Lacking power to arouse interest. <i>As unattractive as most mining regions.</i>
uncomfortable	Providing or experiencing physical discomfort. <i>An uncomfortable way of surprising me just when I felt surest.</i>
uneatable	Not fit to be eaten. <i>We all complained about the uneatable breakfast.</i>
uninviting	Neither attractive nor tempting. <i>The house was dark and uninviting.</i>
unlikable	(of characters in literature or drama) tending to evoke antipathetic feelings. <i>A disagreeable and unlikable old woman.</i>
unlovable	Incapable of inspiring love or affection. <i>She was in some mysterious way unlovable.</i>
unpalatable	Not pleasant or acceptable to the taste or mind. <i>Scraps of unpalatable food.</i>
unsavoury	Not pleasing in odor or taste. <i>They looked at the scanty unsavoury portions of food doled out to them.</i>
vexatious	Denoting an action or the bringer of an action that is brought without sufficient grounds for winning, purely to cause annoyance to the defendant. <i>A vexatious child.</i>



Usage Examples of "Unpleasant" as an adjective

- *Unpleasant odors.*
- *An unpleasant personality.*
- *Unpleasant repercussions.*
- *When drunk, he could become very unpleasant.*
- *The symptoms are extremely unpleasant.*
- *An unpleasant smell.*



Associations of "Unpleasant" (30 Words)

<u>alarming</u>	Worrying or disturbing. <i>Our countryside is disappearing at an alarming rate.</i>
<u>atrocious</u>	Exceptionally bad or displeasing. <i>Atrocious cruelties.</i>
awkward	Causing inconvenience. <i>His clumsy fingers produced an awkward knot.</i>
baleful	Deadly or sinister. <i>Bill shot a baleful glance in her direction.</i>
beastly	In a beastly manner. <i>Beastly immorality.</i>
detestable	Unequivocally detestable Edmund Burke. <i>Detestable vices.</i>
<u>disagreeable</u>	Unfriendly and bad-tempered. <i>A disagreeable situation.</i>
disgusting	Highly offensive; arousing aversion or disgust. <i>A disgusting smell.</i>
displeasing	Causing annoyance or dissatisfaction; disagreeable. <i>Displeasing news.</i>
<u>dreadful</u>	Extremely disagreeable. <i>She looked quite dreadful and she was struggling for breath.</i>
embarrassing	Causing embarrassment. <i>An embarrassing muddle.</i>
eyesore	A thing that is very ugly, especially a building. <i>The office crumbled into an eyesore.</i>
forbidding	Harshly uninviting or formidable in manner or appearance- J.M.Barrie. <i>A grim and forbidding building.</i>
<u>formidable</u>	Inspiring fear. <i>The formidable prospect of major surgery.</i>
frightful	Extremely distressing. <i>A frightful mistake.</i>
<u>hellish</u>	(informal) very unpleasant. <i>Hellish weather.</i>
<u>horrifying</u>	Provoking horror. <i>A horrifying incident.</i>

<u>menacing</u>	Suggesting the presence of danger; threatening. <i>Our officers encountered menacing looks from teenagers.</i>
minatory	Expressing or conveying a threat. <i>He is unlikely to be deterred by minatory finger wagging.</i>
odious	Extremely unpleasant; repulsive. <i>Consequences odious to those you govern.</i>
offensive	Morally offensive. <i>Offensive language.</i>
repellent	Causing disgust or distaste. <i>A flea repellent.</i>
repulsive	Arousing intense distaste or disgust. <i>A repulsive mask.</i>
<u>sinister</u>	Giving the impression that something harmful or evil is happening or will happen. <i>The scheme of some sinister intelligence bent on punishing him.</i>
terrible	Extremely unpleasant or disagreeable. <i>Despite passing my driving test first time I m a terrible driver.</i>
threatening	Threatening or foreshadowing evil or tragic developments. <i>Taylor was in custody on a charge of threatening behaviour.</i>
<u>unsavory</u>	Morally offensive. <i>An unsavory reputation.</i>
upsetting	Causing unhappiness, disappointment, or worry. <i>Destruction was done by the breaking of pictures upsetting of furniture and chopping down of interior doors.</i>
worst	Of the poorest quality or the lowest standard; least good or desirable. <i>At least 32 people died in Australia s worst bus accident.</i>

