

Need another word that means the same as “unpredictable”? Find 27 synonyms and 30 related words for “unpredictable” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Unpredictable” are: irregular, unforeseeable, incalculable, uncertain, unsure, doubtful, dubious, in the balance, up in the air, random, arbitrary, erratic, moody, volatile, unstable, fickle, capricious, whimsical, temperamental, mercurial, changeable, variable, inconstant, undependable, unreliable, unmanageable, impulsive**

## Unpredictable as an Adjective

### Definitions of "Unpredictable" as an adjective

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

- *Not occurring at expected times.*
- *Not able to be predicted; changeable.*
- *Unknown in advance.*
- *Not capable of being foretold.*
- *Not occurring at a regular rate or fixed intervals.*



## Synonyms of "Unpredictable" as an adjective (27 Words)

<a href="#"><u>arbitrary</u></a>	Based on random choice or personal whim, rather than any reason or system. <i>A country under <b>arbitrary</b> government.</i>
<a href="#"><u>capricious</u></a>	Changeable. <i>A <b>capricious</b> summer breeze.</i>
<b>changeable</b>	Able to be changed or exchanged. <i>Cover the tables with <b>changeable</b> cloths.</i>
<b>doubtful</b>	Not established as genuine or acceptable. <i>The fire was of <b>doubtful</b> origin.</i>
<a href="#"><u>dubious</u></a>	Open to doubt or suspicion. <i>He has a <b>dubious</b> record indeed.</i>
<a href="#"><u>erratic</u></a>	Not even or regular in pattern or movement; unpredictable. <i>Her breathing was <b>erratic</b>.</i>
<b>fickle</b>	Marked by erratic changeableness in affections or attachments. <i><b>Fickle</b> weather.</i>
<b>impulsive</b>	Without forethought. <i>He regretted his <b>impulsive</b> offer.</i>
<b>in the balance</b>	Directed or bound inward.
<b>incalculable</b>	Not capable of being computed or enumerated. <i><b>Incalculable</b> riches.</i>
<b>inconstant</b>	Frequently changing; variable or irregular. <i><b>Inconstant</b> affections.</i>
<a href="#"><u>irregular</u></a>	Lacking continuity or regularity. <i>Highly <b>irregular</b> behavior.</i>
<a href="#"><u>mercurial</u></a>	Of or containing the element mercury. <i>Gels containing organic <b>mercurial</b> compounds.</i>
<a href="#"><u>moody</u></a>	Giving an impression of melancholy or mystery. <i>He sat in <b>moody</b> silence.</i>
<b>random</b>	Governed by or involving equal chances for each item. <i>Are you going to take some <b>random</b> guy on Twitter s word.</i>
<b>temperamental</b>	(of a person) liable to unreasonable changes of mood. <i>They were firm friends in spite of <b>temperamental</b> differences.</i>
<a href="#"><u>uncertain</u></a>	Subject to change. <i>Everything is <b>uncertain</b> about the army.</i>

<b>undependable</b>	Not worthy of reliance or trust. <i>Evidence is scarce and often <b>undependable</b>.</i>
<b>unforeseeable</b>	Incapable of being anticipated. <i><b>Unforeseeable</b> consequences.</i>
<b>unmanageable</b>	Difficult or impossible to manage, manipulate, or control. <i>His behaviour was becoming <b>unmanageable</b> at home.</i>
<b>unreliable</b>	Dangerously unstable and unpredictable. <i><b>Unreliable</b> information.</i>
<b><u>unstable</u></b>	Likely to give way; not stable. <i>His rather <b>unstable</b> religious convictions.</i>
<b><u>unsure</u></b>	Lacking self-confidence. <i>She was feeling nervous <b>unsure</b> of herself.</i>
<b>up in the air</b>	Getting higher or more vigorous.
<b>variable</b>	(of a quantity) able to assume different numerical values. <i>Awards can be for <b>variable</b> amounts.</i>
<b><u>volatile</u></b>	(of a person) liable to display rapid changes of emotion. <i>A <b>volatile</b> situation with troops and rioters eager for a confrontation.</i>
<b><u>whimsical</u></b>	Determined by chance or impulse or whim rather than by necessity or reason. <i>The victim of <b>whimsical</b> persecutions.</i>



## Usage Examples of "Unpredictable" as an adjective

- *The unpredictable weather of the Scottish islands.*
- *An unpredictable (or indeterminable) future.*

## Associations of "Unpredictable" (30 Words)

**anomalous**     Deviating from what is standard, normal, or expected.  
*An **anomalous** situation.*

**arbitrary**     (of power or a ruling body) unrestrained and autocratic in the use of authority.  
*An **arbitrary** penalty.*

<b>arrhythmic</b>	Not rhythmic; without rhythm or regularity. <i>An <b>arrhythmic</b> heartbeat.</i>
<b>capricious</b>	Changeable. <i>Authoritarian rulers are frequently <b>capricious</b>.</i>
<b>changeable</b>	Subject to change. <i>A <b>changeable</b> climate.</i>
<b>episodic</b>	Of writing or narration; divided into or composed of episodes. <i>The book is <b>episodic</b> and the incidents don't always hang together.</i>
<b>erratic</b>	Having no fixed course. <i>The source of stone for the whetstones may have been glacial <b>erratics</b>.</i>
<b>fickle</b>	Changing frequently, especially as regards one's loyalties or affections. <i><b>Fickle</b> friends.</i>
<b>impulse</b>	A change of momentum produced by an impulse equivalent to the average value of the force multiplied by the time during which it acts. <i>I had an almost irresistible <b>impulse</b> to giggle.</i>
<b>impulsive</b>	Characterized by undue haste and lack of thought or deliberation. <i>An <b>impulsive</b> force.</i>
<b>inconstant</b>	Frequently changing; variable or irregular. <i><b>Inconstant</b> affections.</i>
<b>infrequent</b>	Not occurring often; rare. <i>Her visits were so <b>infrequent</b>.</i>
<b>insecure</b>	Not firm or firmly fixed; likely to fail or give way. <i>A financially <b>insecure</b> period.</i>
<b>intermittent</b>	Stopping and starting at irregular intervals. <i><b>Intermittent</b> rain.</i>
<b>irregular</b>	A member of an irregular military force. <i><b>Irregular</b> hiring practices.</i>
<b>mercurial</b>	Liable to sudden unpredictable change. <i><b>Mercurial</b> twists of temperament.</i>
<b>occasional</b>	(of furniture) made or adapted for use on a particular occasion or for infrequent use. <i><b>Occasional</b> freelancer seeks full time position.</i>
<b>patchy</b>	Existing or happening in small, isolated areas. <i>A <b>patchy</b> essay.</i>
<b>quicksilver</b>	Liable to sudden unpredictable change. <i>A <b>quicksilver</b> character cool and willful at one moment utterly fragile the next.</i>

<b>random</b>	Lacking any definite plan or order or purpose; governed by or depending on chance. <i>The class was hard but he was so <b>random</b> that it was always fun.</i>
<b>shaky</b>	Shaking or trembling. <i>A cracked dangerously <b>shaky</b> table.</i>
<b>sporadic</b>	Occurring at irregular intervals or only in a few places; scattered or isolated. <i><b>Sporadic</b> fighting broke out.</i>
<b>spotty</b>	Of uneven quality; patchy. <i>His <b>spotty</b> record on the environment.</i>
<b>uncertain</b>	Not established beyond doubt; still undecided or unknown. <i>Plans are still <b>uncertain</b>.</i>
<b>unreliable</b>	Not able to be relied upon. <i>He is lazy and <b>unreliable</b>.</i>
<b>unsettled</b>	Still in doubt. <i>One question remains <b>unsettled</b>.</i>
<b>unstable</b>	Likely to change or fail; not firmly established. <i>He was mentally <b>unstable</b>.</i>
<b>unsteady</b>	Not regular in pitch or rhythm. <i>Nathan pushed the mug into her <b>unsteady</b> hand.</i>
<b>variable</b>	The region of light variable winds to the north of the north east trade winds or in the southern hemisphere between the south east trade winds and the westerlies. <i>Awards can be for <b>variable</b> amounts.</i>
<b>volatile</b>	A volatile substance a substance that changes readily from solid or liquid to a vapor. <i><b>Volatile</b> solvents.</i>