

Need another word that means the same as “unsatisfying”? Find 32 synonyms for “unsatisfying” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Unsatisfying” are: **disappointing, dissatisfactory, deficient, inadequate, lacking, insufficient, imperfect, not up to par, not up to standard, not good enough, unacceptable, not acceptable, not up to expectations, flawed, faulty, defective, impaired, unsound, substandard, inferior, second-rate, poor, shabby, shoddy, patchy, sketchy, limited, restricted, incomplete, unfinished, unpolished, unrefined**

Unsatisfying as an Adjective

Definitions of "Unsatisfying" as an adjective

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

- *Not up to expectations.*
- *Not satisfying.*

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

[defective](#)

Having a defect.
Defective speech.

[deficient](#)

Insufficient or inadequate.
A ***deficient*** education.

[disappointing](#)

Failing to fulfil someone’s hopes or expectations.
*The team made a **disappointing** start.*

dissatisfactory

Not up to expectations.

<u>faulty</u>	Not working or made correctly; having defects. <i>Her character was faulty.</i>
<u>flawed</u>	Having a blemish or flaw. <i>A fatally flawed strategy.</i>
impaired	Having a disability of a specified kind. <i>An impaired banking system.</i>
<u>imperfect</u>	Not perfect; faulty or incomplete. <i>An imperfect grasp of English.</i>
<u>inadequate</u>	Lacking the quality or quantity required; insufficient for a purpose. <i>These labels prove to be wholly inadequate.</i>
<u>incomplete</u>	Not yet finished. <i>Political consequences of incomplete military success.</i>
<u>inferior</u>	Of low or inferior quality. <i>Ulcers located in the inferior and posterior wall of the duodenum.</i>
<u>insufficient</u>	Not enough; inadequate. <i>Insufficient funds.</i>
lacking	Inadequate in amount or degree. <i>Workers were asked in what way they found their managers lacking.</i>
limited	Denoting a limited company used after a company name. <i>Limited war.</i>
not acceptable	Worthy of acceptance or satisfactory.
not good enough	Not left to spoil.
not up to expectations	Used up.
not up to par	Open.
not up to standard	Out of bed.
patchy	Irregular or uneven in quality, texture, etc. <i>Your coursework was patchy.</i>
poor	Not sufficient to meet a need. <i>The area was poor in timber and coal.</i>
<u>restricted</u>	Restricted in meaning as e.g. man in a tall man. <i>Western scientists had only restricted access to the site.</i>
second-rate	Moderate to inferior in quality.
<u>shabby</u>	Mean and unworthy and despicable. <i>A shabby fellow in slippers and an undershirt.</i>

<u>shoddy</u>	Cheap and shoddy Judith Crist. Shoddy business practices.
<u>sketchy</u>	Dishonest or disreputable. A sketchy account.
substandard	Below the usual or required standard. Substandard housing.
unacceptable	Not satisfactory or allowable. The following use of access was judged unacceptable by a panel of linguists You can access your cash at any of 300 automatic tellers.
unfinished	Not finished or concluded; incomplete. The garage door can be supplied unfinished for you to paint yourself.
unpolished	Lacking social polish. Dull unpolished shoes.
<u>unrefined</u>	Not processed to remove impurities or unwanted elements. Unrefined sugar.
<u>unsound</u>	Physically unsound or diseased. This line of argument is unsound .

Usage Examples of "Unsatisfying" as an adjective

- An *unsatisfying* relationship.