

Need another word that means the same as “unskilled”? Find 8 synonyms and 30 related words for “unskilled” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Unskilled” are: **amateur, amateurish, inexpert, incompetent, untrained, unqualified, untaught, unschooled**

## Unskilled as an Adjective

### Definitions of "Unskilled" as an adjective

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

- *Not doing a good job.*
- *Not having or showing or requiring special skill or proficiency.*
- *Lacking professional skill or expertise.*
- *Not having or requiring special skill or training.*

### Synonyms of "Unskilled" as an adjective (8 Words)

<b>amateur</b>	Engaging or engaged in without payment; non-professional. <i>Gained valuable experience in <b>amateur</b> theatricals.</i>
<b>amateurish</b>	Lacking professional skill or expertise. <i>Her <b>amateurish</b> interviewing technique.</i>
<b>incompetent</b>	Not having or showing the necessary skills to do something successfully. <i>The patient is deemed legally <b>incompetent</b>.</i>
<b>inexpert</b>	Having or showing a lack of skill or knowledge. <i><b>Inexpert</b> but conscientious efforts.</i>

<b>unqualified</b>	Not meeting the proper standards and requirements and training. <i>I am singularly <b>unqualified</b> to write about football.</i>
<b>unschooled</b>	Lacking in schooling. <i>She was <b>unschooled</b> in the niceties of royal behaviour.</i>
<b>untaught</b>	Not acquired by teaching; natural or spontaneous. <i>By <b>untaught</b> instinct they know that scent means food.</i>
<b>untrained</b>	Not disciplined or conditioned or made adept by training. <i>Young minds <b>untrained</b> in the habit of concentration.</i>

## Usage Examples of "Unskilled" as an adjective

- *Unskilled manual workers.*
- *An unskilled painting.*
- *Workers in unskilled occupations are finding fewer and fewer job opportunities.*
- *Unskilled in the art of rhetoric.*
- *Unskilled labor.*
- *Unskilled workmanship.*

## Associations of "Unskilled" (30 Words)

<b>amateur</b>	A person who engages in a pursuit, especially a sport, on an unpaid rather than a professional basis. <i>Gained valuable experience in <b>amateur</b> theatricals.</i>
<b>amateurish</b>	Lacking professional skill or expertise. <i>A very <b>amateurish</b> job.</i>
<b><u>beginner</u></b>	Someone new to a field or activity. <i>A <b>beginner</b> s guide.</i>
<b>bungling</b>	Showing lack of skill or aptitude. <i>The work of a <b>bungling</b> amateur.</i>
<b>clumsy</b>	Awkward in movement or in handling things. <i><b>Clumsy</b> fingers.</i>
<b><u>feckless</u></b>	Lacking initiative or strength of character; irresponsible. <i>Her <b>feckless</b> younger brother.</i>
<b>gauche</b>	Unsophisticated and socially awkward. <i>Their excellent manners always made me feel <b>gauche</b>.</i>
<b>geek</b>	A person with an unusual or odd personality. <i>A computer <b>geek</b>.</i>

<u>handling</u>	The management of someone or something. <i>The <b>handling</b> of prisoners.</i>
<u>incapable</u>	Lacking capacity or ability. <i>Wilson blushed and was <b>incapable</b> of speech.</i>
incompetent	An incompetent person. <i><b>Incompetent</b> witnesses.</i>
<u>inconsiderate</u>	Thoughtlessly causing hurt or inconvenience to others. <i>Shockingly <b>inconsiderate</b> behavior.</i>
<u>ineffective</u>	Lacking in power or forcefulness. <i>An <b>ineffective</b> administration.</i>
ineligible	Legally or officially unable to be considered for a position or benefit. <i><b>Ineligible</b> for retirement benefits.</i>
inept	Revealing lack of perceptiveness or judgment or finesse. <i>If the rumor is true can anything be more <b>inept</b> than to repeat it now.</i>
inexperienced	Having little knowledge or experience of a particular thing. <i>An <b>inexperienced</b> driver.</i>
laborer	Someone who works with their hands; someone engaged in manual labor.
layman	A non-ordained male member of a Church. <i>He was an active Catholic <b>layman</b>.</i>
maladroit	Inefficient or inept; clumsy. <i>Both men are unhappy about the <b>maladroit</b> way the matter has been handled.</i>
<u>menial</u>	A person with a menial job. <i><b>Menial</b> factory jobs.</i>
<u>neophyte</u>	A new convert being taught the principles of Christianity by a catechist. <i>A cast of <b>neophyte</b> actors.</i>
novice	A person new to and inexperienced in a job or situation. <i>He was a complete <b>novice</b> in foreign affairs.</i>
<u>rusty</u>	Impaired in skill by neglect. <i>A <b>rusty</b> machine.</i>
semiskilled	Possessing or requiring limited skills. <i>A <b>semiskilled</b> job.</i>
<u>senile</u>	(of a condition) characteristic of or caused by old age. <i><b>Senile</b> decay.</i>
<u>tactless</u>	Lacking or showing a lack of what is fitting and considerate in dealing with others. <i>In the circumstances it was <b>tactless</b> to ask her age.</i>

<b>unpracticed</b>	Not having had extensive practice.
<b><u>unprofessional</u></b>	Below or contrary to the standards expected in a particular profession. <i>A report on <b>unprofessional</b> conduct.</i>
<b>unqualified</b>	Not limited or restricted. <i>A wife is usually considered <b>unqualified</b> to testify against her husband.</i>
<b>unskillful</b>	Poorly done. <i>It was an <b>unskillful</b> attempt.</i>