

Need another word that means the same as “untoward”? Find 12 synonyms and 30 related words for “untoward” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Untoward” are: indecent, indecorous, unbecoming, uncomely, unseemly, adverse, inauspicious, unexpected, unanticipated, unforeseen, unpredictable, unpredicted

Untoward as an Adjective

Definitions of "Untoward" as an adjective

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

- *Not in keeping with accepted standards of what is right or proper in polite society.*
- *Contrary to your interests or welfare.*
- *Unexpected and inappropriate or inconvenient.*

Synonyms of "Untoward" as an adjective (12 Words)

adverse	Contrary to your interests or welfare. Adverse currents.
inauspicious	Not auspicious; boding ill. Following this inauspicious start the British outnumbered withdrew.
indecent	Not conforming with generally accepted standards of behaviour, especially in relation to sexual matters. They leaped on the suggestion with indecent haste.
indecorous	Not in keeping with good taste and propriety; improper. Indecorous behavior.

unanticipated	Not expected or predicted. <i>One of the unanticipated gains of the reforms has been the shift of emphasis to primary care.</i>
unbecoming	Not in keeping with accepted standards of what is right or proper in polite society. <i>An unbecoming striped sundress.</i>
uncomely	Not agreeable or suitable. <i>She was nineteen and not uncomely.</i>
unexpected	Not expected or regarded as likely to happen. <i>Unexpected guests.</i>
unforeseen	Not anticipated. <i>Our insurance package enables you to protect yourself and your dependants against unforeseen circumstances.</i>
unpredictable	Not capable of being foretold. <i>The unpredictable weather of the Scottish islands.</i>
unpredicted	(of an event or result) unforeseen. <i>The unpredicted change of weather.</i>
unseemly	Not in keeping with accepted standards of what is right or proper in polite society. <i>An unseemly squabble.</i>

Usage Examples of "Untoward" as an adjective

- *Untoward remarks.*
- *Made a place for themselves under the most untoward conditions.*
- *Moved to curb their untoward ribaldry.*
- *Both tried to behave as if nothing untoward had happened.*

Associations of "Untoward" (30 Words)

adverse	Preventing success or development; harmful; unfavourable. <i>Adverse weather conditions.</i>
aggravate	Annoy or exasperate. <i>This drug aggravates the pain.</i>
aggravating	Making a problem or offence worse or more serious. <i>She found him thoroughly aggravating and unprofessional.</i>
bother	Cause annoyance in; disturb, especially by minor irritations. <i>The driver didn't bother to ask why.</i>

circumstances	Your overall circumstances or condition in life including everything that happens to you. <i>A victim of circumstances.</i>
foreboding	Ominously prophetic. <i>With a sense of foreboding she read the note.</i>
inauspicious	Presaging ill fortune- P.B.Shelley. <i>My words with inauspicious thunderings shook heaven.</i>
inconvenience	To cause inconvenience or discomfort to. <i>The inconveniences of life in a remote city.</i>
inconvenient	Causing trouble, difficulties, or discomfort. <i>An early departure is inconvenient for us.</i>
irritating	Causing irritation to a body part. <i>The substance may be irritating to eyes and skin.</i>
misadventure	An instance of misfortune. <i>The coroner recorded a verdict of death by misadventure.</i>
mischance	An instance of misfortune. <i>By pure mischance the secret was revealed.</i>
misfortune	Bad luck. <i>Never laugh at other people's misfortunes.</i>
ominous	Giving the worrying impression that something bad is going to happen; threateningly inauspicious. <i>A dead and ominous silence prevailed.</i>
repugnant	In conflict or incompatible with. <i>Cannibalism seems repugnant to us.</i>
sinister	Threatening or foreshadowing evil or tragic developments. <i>Bar sinister.</i>
survivor	An animal that survives in spite of adversity. <i>He was the sole survivor of the massacre.</i>
trouble	Take the trouble to do something concern oneself. <i>The kid had been no trouble up to now.</i>
uncomfortable	Causing or feeling slight pain or physical discomfort. <i>An uncomfortable silence.</i>
uneasy	Lacking a sense of security or affording no ease or reassurance. <i>An uneasy silence fell on the group.</i>
unexpected	Not expected or anticipated. <i>Unexpected news.</i>

<u>unfortunate</u>	Regrettable or inappropriate. <i>An unfortunate choice of words.</i>
<u>unintentional</u>	Not done with purpose or intent. <i>The offense was unintentional.</i>
unknown	Being or having an unknown or unnamed source. <i>Exploration into unknown territory.</i>
unlucky	Having, bringing, or resulting from bad luck. <i>An unlucky defeat.</i>
<u>unnoticed</u>	Not noticed. <i>A deliberate kick that went unnoticed by the referee.</i>
<u>unpleasant</u>	Offensive or disagreeable; causing discomfort or unhappiness. <i>An unpleasant smell.</i>
unpropitious	Not propitious. <i>His reports were submitted at a financially unpropitious time.</i>
vexing	Causing annoyance, frustration, or worry. <i>It is vexing to have to admit you are wrong.</i>
wretched	Very unhappy; full of misery. <i>A wretched life.</i>