

Need another word that means the same as “upheaval”? Find 14 synonyms and 30 related words for “upheaval” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Upheaval” are: convulsion, turmoil, sturm und drang, turbulence, agitation, excitement, hullabaloo, uplift, upthrow, upthrust, disruption, upset, disturbance, trouble

Upheaval as a Noun

Definitions of "Upheaval" as a noun

According to the [Oxford Dictionary of English](#), “upheaval” as a noun can have the following definitions:

- *(geology) a rise of land to a higher elevation (as in the process of mountain building).*
- *Disturbance usually in protest.*
- *A violent disturbance.*
- *A violent or sudden change or disruption to something.*
- *A state of violent disturbance and disorder (as in politics or social conditions generally).*
- *A rise of land to a higher elevation (as in the process of mountain building).*
- *An upward displacement of part of the earth's crust.*



Synonyms of "Upheaval" as a noun (14 Words)

agitation	A state of agitation or turbulent change or development. <i>She was wringing her hands in agitation.</i>
convulsion	A violent disturbance. <i>Febrile convulsions.</i>
disruption	An act of delaying or interrupting the continuity. <i>He gave hints on what industry today he believes may be ripe for disruption.</i>
<u>disturbance</u>	A noisy fight. <i>There was a disturbance of neural function.</i>
excitement	Something that arouses a feeling of excitement. <i>He could hardly conceal his excitement when she agreed.</i>
hullabaloo	A commotion; a fuss. <i>Remember all the hullabaloo over the golf ball.</i>

sturm und drang	A state of violent disturbance and disorder (as in politics or social conditions generally).
trouble	Any of various periods of civil war or unrest in Ireland, especially in 1919-23 and (in Northern Ireland) between 1968 and 1998. <i>They had labor trouble.</i>
turbulence	Unstable flow of a liquid or gas. <i>The plane shuddered as it entered some turbulence.</i>
turmoil	Violent agitation. <i>He endured years of inner turmoil.</i>
uplift	A rise of land to a higher elevation (as in the process of mountain building). <i>It s one of the regions of the Himalayas where the rate of uplift is most extreme.</i>
upset	The act of upsetting something. <i>A stomach upset.</i>
upthrow	(geology) a rise of land to a higher elevation (as in the process of mountain building).
upthrust	An upward thrust. <i>The upthrust of Manhattan skyscrapers.</i>



Usage Examples of "Upheaval" as a noun

- *Major upheavals in the financial markets.*
- *The first upheaval produced a hill which was called Roof Mountain.*
- *Times of political upheaval.*

Associations of "Upheaval" (30 Words)

agitation	A state of agitation or turbulent change or development. <i>She was wringing her hands in agitation.</i>
brouhaha	A noisy and overexcited reaction or response to something. <i>The brouhaha over those infamous commercials.</i>
cataclysmic	Used to emphasize the extent of something bad or unwelcome. <i>The concert was a cataclysmic failure.</i>
catastrophe	A state of extreme (usually irremediable) ruin and misfortune. <i>The tax would be a catastrophe for the industry.</i>

chaos	The most ancient of gods; the personification of the infinity of space preceding creation of the universe. <i>Snow caused chaos in the region.</i>
<u>commotion</u>	A disorderly outburst or tumult. <i>They set off firecrackers to make a lot of commotion.</i>
convulsion	A violent social or political upheaval. <i>Toxic side effects like convulsions.</i>
cramp	Fasten with a cramp or cramps. <i>The facade is built of travertine blocks without mortar but held by metal cramps.</i>
disorder	Bring disorder to. <i>Recurrent food crises led to outbreaks of disorder.</i>
disruption	The act of causing disorder. <i>He gave hints on what industry today he believes may be ripe for disruption.</i>
<u>disturbance</u>	Activity that is a malfunction, intrusion, or interruption. <i>Children with learning difficulty and personality disturbance.</i>
excitement	Something that arouses a feeling of excitement. <i>He could hardly conceal his excitement when she agreed.</i>
<u>flap</u>	An act of flapping something typically a wing or arm up and down or from side to side. <i>He wrote on the flap of the envelope.</i>
<u>flutter</u>	An act of fluttering. <i>Mavis fluttered about nervously.</i>
hubbub	A busy, noisy situation. <i>She fought through the hubbub.</i>
<u>mayhem</u>	Violent and needless disturbance. <i>Complete mayhem broke out.</i>
midst	The middle part or point. <i>He left his flat in the midst of a rainstorm.</i>
pandemonium	A state of extreme confusion and disorder. <i>There was complete pandemonium everyone just panicked.</i>
perturbation	Anxiety; mental uneasiness. <i>These shifts and swings in wildlife populations are possibly related to climatic perturbations.</i>
quake	An earthquake. <i>A big quake east of the Rocky Mountains.</i>

<u>riot</u>	Take part in a riot disturb the public peace by engaging in a riot. <i>The garden was a riot of colour.</i>
shakeup	The imposition of a new organization; organizing differently (often involving extensive and drastic changes). <i>Top officials were forced out in the cabinet shakeup.</i>
<u>spasm</u>	A sudden and brief spell of an activity or sensation. <i>A spasm of coughing woke him.</i>
tremor	Undergo a tremor or tremors. <i>A muscle in my jaw tremored uncontrollably.</i>
<u>trepidation</u>	A feeling of alarm or dread. <i>The men set off in fear and trepidation.</i>
tumult	The act of making a noisy disturbance. <i>A tumult of shouting and screaming broke out.</i>
<u>turbulence</u>	A state of violent disturbance and disorder (as in politics or social conditions generally). <i>Political turbulence.</i>
<u>turmoil</u>	Disturbance usually in protest. <i>He endured years of inner turmoil.</i>
<u>unrest</u>	A state of dissatisfaction, disturbance, and agitation, typically involving public demonstrations or disorder. <i>Years of industrial unrest.</i>
<u>uproar</u>	Loud confused noise from many sources. <i>The room was in an uproar.</i>