

Need another word that means the same as “weakness”? Find 69 synonyms and 30 related words for “weakness” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Weakness” are: failing, helplessness, impuissance, frailty, feebleness, enfeeblement, puniness, fragility, delicacy, spinelessness, timidity, cravenness, cowardliness, pusillanimity, timorousness, indecisiveness, indecision, irresolution, ineffectuality, uselessness, ineptness, ineptitude, meekness, tameness, powerlessness, ineffectiveness, impotence, inadequacy, defectiveness, faultiness, deficiency, imperfection, tenuousness, implausibility, unsatisfactoriness, slightness, poverty, thinness, transparency, indistinctness, muffledness, faintness, lowness, low intensity, fault, flaw, defect, foible, shortcoming, blemish, achilles heel, chink in one's armour, fondness, liking, love, passion, partiality, preference, penchant, bent, predisposition, predilection, leaning, inclination, proneness, proclivity, disposition, taste, eye**

## Weakness as a Noun

### Definitions of "Weakness" as a noun

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

- *A flaw or weak point.*
- *The property of lacking physical or mental strength; liability to failure under pressure or stress or strain.*
- *A person or thing that one is unable to resist or likes excessively.*
- *A disadvantage or fault.*
- *A penchant for something even though it might not be good for you.*
- *The condition of being financially weak.*

- *The state or condition of being weak.*
- *A self-indulgent liking for.*
- *Powerlessness revealed by an inability to act.*



## Synonyms of "Weakness" as a noun (69 Words)

**achilles heel**

The lower end of a ship's mast.

**bent**

A special way of doing something.

*He had a **bent** for it.*

**blemish**

A mark or flaw that spoils the appearance of something (especially on a person's body).

*Local government is not without **blemish**.*

**chink in one's armour** Offensive term for a person of Chinese descent.

**cowardliness**

The trait of lacking courage.

**cravenness**

Meanspirited cowardice.

**defect**

An imperfection in an object or machine.

*The property is free from **defect**.*

<b>defectiveness</b>	The act of defending someone or something against attack or injury.
<b>deficiency</b>	Lack of an adequate quantity or number. <i>A budget <b>deficiency</b> of 96 billion.</i>
<b>delicacy</b>	Smallness of stature. <i>Miniature pearls of exquisite <b>delicacy</b>.</i>
<b><u>disposition</u></b>	A natural or acquired habit or characteristic tendency in a person or thing. <i>The new strategic <b>dispositions</b> of our forces.</i>
<b>enfeeblement</b>	Serious weakening and loss of energy.
<b>eye</b>	A rounded eye like marking on an animal such as those on the tail of a peacock an eyespot. <i>The thread wouldn't go through the <b>eye</b>.</i>
<b>failing</b>	Failure to reach a minimum required performance. <i>His <b>failing</b> the course led to his disqualification.</i>
<b>faintness</b>	A feeling of faintness and of being ready to swoon. <i>The <b>faintness</b> or potency of the feeling.</i>
<b><u>fault</u></b>	(geology) a crack in the earth's crust resulting from the displacement of one side with respect to the other. <i>It took much longer to find the <b>fault</b> than to fix it.</i>
<b>faultiness</b>	The state of being defective.
<b>feebleness</b>	The quality of lacking intensity or substance- Nathaniel Hawthorne.
<b>flaw</b>	A fault or weakness in a person's character. <i>He had his <b>flaws</b> but he was still a great teacher.</i>
<b>foible</b>	The weaker part of a sword's blade from the forte to the tip. <i>They have to tolerate each other's little <b>foibles</b>.</i>
<b>fondness</b>	A positive feeling of liking. <i>He had a <b>fondness</b> for whiskey.</i>
<b>fragility</b>	Lack of physical strength. <i>His emotional <b>fragility</b>.</i>
<b>frailty</b>	Weakness in character or morals. <i>The increasing <b>frailty</b> of old age.</i>
<b>helplessness</b>	The state of needing help from something. <i>Worst of all is the feeling of <b>helplessness</b>.</i>
<b>imperfection</b>	The state or an instance of being imperfect. <i>The <b>imperfections</b> and injustices in our political system.</i>

<b>implausibility</b>	The quality of provoking disbelief.
<b>impotence</b>	An inability (usually of the male animal) to copulate. <i>Few men suffering from <b>impotence</b> feel confident enough to ask their GP for advice.</i>
<b>impuissance</b>	Powerlessness revealed by an inability to act.
<b>inadequacy</b>	Lack of an adequate quantity or number. <i>The <b>inadequacy</b> of unemployment benefits.</i>
<b>inclination</b>	An interest in or liking for (something). <i>He was free to follow his <b>inclinations</b>.</i>
<b>indecision</b>	The trait of irresolution; a lack of firmness of character or purpose. <i>Government <b>indecision</b> over the future of local taxation.</i>
<b>indecisiveness</b>	Doubt concerning two or more possible alternatives or courses of action. <i>The king's incurable <b>indecisiveness</b> caused turmoil in his court.</i>
<b>indistinctness</b>	The quality of being indistinct and without sharp outlines.
<b>ineffectiveness</b>	Lacking the power to be effective. <i>The report highlighted the <b>ineffectiveness</b> of sanctions.</i>
<b>ineffectuality</b>	Lacking the power to be effective.
<b>ineptitude</b>	Having no qualities that would render it valuable or useful. <i>The officials displayed remarkable <b>ineptitude</b>.</i>
<b>ineptness</b>	Unskillfulness resulting from a lack of training.
<b>irresolution</b>	Doubt concerning two or more possible alternatives or courses of action. <i>A moment of <b>irresolution</b>.</i>
<b>leaning</b>	A tendency or partiality of a particular kind. <i>His early <b>leanings</b> towards socialism.</i>
<b>liking</b>	A taste for. <i>Mrs Parsons had a <b>liking</b> for gin and tonic.</i>
<b>love</b>	A personified figure of love often represented as Cupid. <i>Give her my <b>love</b>.</i>
<b>low intensity</b>	The lowest forward gear ratio in the gear box of a motor vehicle; used to start a car moving.
<b>lowness</b>	A low or small degree of any quality (amount or force or temperature etc). <i>He took advantage of the <b>lowness</b> of interest rates.</i>

<b>meekness</b>	The feeling of patient, submissive humbleness. <i>All his best friends make fun of him for his <b>meekness</b>.</i>
<b>muffledness</b>	The state or condition of being muffled; indistinctness.
<b>partiality</b>	A particular liking or fondness for something. <i>An attack on the <b>partiality</b> of judges.</i>
<b>passion</b>	Strong and barely controllable emotion. <i>A man of impetuous <b>passion</b>.</i>
<b><u>penchant</u></b>	A strong liking. <i>He has a <b>penchant</b> for adopting stray dogs.</i>
<b>poverty</b>	The state of having little or no money and few or no material possessions. <i>The <b>poverty</b> of her imagination.</i>
<b>powerlessness</b>	Lack of ability, influence, or power. <i>The feeling of <b>powerlessness</b> due to poverty.</i>
<b><u>predilection</u></b>	A strong liking. <i>My <b>predilection</b> for Asian food.</i>
<b><u>pre disposition</u></b>	An inclination beforehand to interpret statements in a particular way. <i>Factors including genetic <b>pre disposition</b>.</i>
<b>preference</b>	A strong liking. <i><b>Preference</b> is given to those who make a donation.</i>
<b><u>proclivity</u></b>	A tendency to choose or do something regularly; an inclination or predisposition towards a particular thing. <i>He has a <b>proclivity</b> for exaggeration.</i>
<b>proneness</b>	Being disposed to do something. <i>Accident <b>proneness</b>.</i>
<b>puniness</b>	Smallness of stature.
<b>pusillanimity</b>	Lack of courage or determination; timidity. <i>The <b>pusillanimity</b> of his answer surprised me.</i>
<b><u>shortcoming</u></b>	A failing or deficiency. <i>He is so forthright about his <b>shortcomings</b> it s hard to chastise him.</i>
<b>slightness</b>	Smallness of stature.
<b>spinelessness</b>	The quality of lacking a strong character; an irresolute disposition.
<b>tameness</b>	The quality of being vapid and unsophisticated.

<b>taste</b>	The sensation that results when taste buds in the tongue and throat convey information about the chemical composition of a soluble stimulus. <i>Have you lost your <b>taste</b> for fancy restaurants.</i>
<b>tenuousness</b>	The right to hold property; part of an ancient hierarchical system of holding lands.
<b>thinness</b>	Relatively small dimension through an object as opposed to its length or width. <i>The <b>thinness</b> of my hair.</i>
<b>timidity</b>	Lack of courage or confidence. <i>She believes everyone can overcome their <b>timidity</b>.</i>
<b>timorousness</b>	Fear of the unknown or unfamiliar or fear of making decisions.
<b>transparency</b>	Picture consisting of a positive photograph or drawing on a transparent base; viewed with a projector. <i>The <b>transparency</b> of ice.</i>
<b>unsatisfactoriness</b>	The quality of being inadequate or unsuitable.
<b>uselessness</b>	The quality of having no practical use. <i>That feeling of <b>uselessness</b> haunts me still.</i>



## Usage Examples of "Weakness" as a noun

- *You're his one weakness—he should never have met you.*
- *The weakness of the span was overlooked until it collapsed.*
- *His weakness for prawn cocktails.*
- *In spite of their weakness the group remains active.*
- *His weakness increased as he became older.*
- *The weakness of the dollar against the yen.*
- *He has a weakness for chocolate.*
- *You must recognize your product's strengths and weaknesses.*
- *The country's weakness in international dealings.*



## Associations of "Weakness" (30 Words)

<b>abductor</b>	Someone who unlawfully seizes and detains a victim (usually for ransom). <i>She endured a two hour ordeal at the hands of her <b>abductors</b>.</i>
<b>delicacy</b>	Tact and consideration. <i>I have to treat this matter with the utmost <b>delicacy</b>.</i>
<b>delicate</b>	A delicate fabric or garment. <i>A baby's <b>delicate</b> skin.</i>
<b>drowsiness</b>	A feeling of being sleepy and lethargic; sleepiness. <i>This drug can cause <b>drowsiness</b>.</i>
<b>eccentricity</b>	The quality of being eccentric. <i>The <b>eccentricity</b> of his views.</i>
<b>effeminacy</b>	The trait of being effeminate (derogatory of a man). <i>The students associated science with masculinity and arts with <b>effeminacy</b>.</i>
<b>emaciation</b>	The state of being abnormally thin or weak. <i>Thin to the point of <b>emaciation</b>.</i>
<b>fatigue</b>	Weaken (a metal or other material) by repeated variations of stress. <i>He was suffering from museum <b>fatigue</b>.</i>



<b>feeble</b>	Lacking physical strength, especially as a result of age or illness. <i>By now he was too <b>feeble</b> to leave his room.</i>
<b>femininity</b>	Qualities or attributes regarded as characteristic of women. <i>She alternated between embracing her <b>femininity</b> and concealing it.</i>
<b>flaw</b>	Add a flaw or blemish to make imperfect or defective. <i>He had his <b>flaws</b> but he was still a great teacher.</i>
<b>foible</b>	The weaker part of a sword's blade from the forte to the tip. <i>They have to tolerate each other's little <b>foibles</b>.</i>
<b>fragile</b>	Easily broken or damaged or destroyed. <i>A small <b>fragile</b> old lady.</i>
<b>fragility</b>	The quality of being delicate or vulnerable. <i>Osteoporosis is characterized by bone <b>fragility</b>.</i>
<b>frailty</b>	The state of being weak in health or body (especially from old age). <i>All drama begins with human <b>frailty</b>.</i>
<b>languish</b>	Be forced to remain in an unpleasant place or situation. <i>He has been <b>languishing</b> in jail since 1974.</i>
<b>languor</b>	A relaxed comfortable feeling. <i>The afternoon was hot quiet and heavy with <b>languor</b>.</i>
<b>lassitude</b>	A state of physical or mental weariness; lack of energy. <i>She was overcome by <b>lassitude</b> and retired to bed.</i>
<b>lethargy</b>	A state of comatose torpor (as found in sleeping sickness). <i>There was an air of <b>lethargy</b> about him.</i>
<b>listlessness</b>	A feeling of lack of interest or energy.
<b>odd</b>	Of the remaining member of a pair, of socks e.g. <i>It is <b>odd</b> that his name is never mentioned.</i>
<b>oddity</b>	Eccentricity that is not easily explained. <i>She was regarded as a bit of an <b>oddity</b>.</i>
<b>powerless</b>	Without ability, influence, or power. <i>Troops were <b>powerless</b> to stop last night's shooting.</i>
<b>quirk</b>	A strange chance occurrence. <i>She <b>quirked</b> her head in a peculiar way.</i>
<b>sensitivity</b>	Sensitivity to emotional feelings of self and others. <i>He has a <b>sensitivity</b> to cow's milk.</i>
<b>sensitization</b>	Rendering an organism sensitive to a serum by a series of injections. <i>Common gut bacteria prevent <b>sensitization</b> to allergens.</i>
<b>sluggishness</b>	A state of comatose torpor (as found in sleeping sickness). <i>The general appearance of <b>sluggishness</b> alarmed his friends.</i>

- softness** A state of declining economic condition.  
*A general **softness** of focus.*
- tiredness** Temporary loss of strength and energy resulting from hard physical or mental work.  
*Depression and **tiredness** caused by overwork.*
- torpor** A state of physical or mental inactivity; lethargy.  
*They veered between apathetic **torpor** and hysterical fanaticism.*

