

Need another word that means the same as “worldly”? Find 39 synonyms and 30 related words for “worldly” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Worldly” are: secular, temporal, blase, sophisticated, experienced, worldly-wise, knowledgeable, knowing, aware, enlightened, shrewd, astute, perceptive, mature, seasoned, cosmopolitan, urbane, cultivated, cultured, earthly, terrestrial, mundane, mortal, human, unspiritual, material, materialistic, physical, tangible, carnal, fleshly, bodily, corporeal, gross, sensual, base, sordid, vile, profane

Worldly as an Adjective

Definitions of "Worldly" as an adjective

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

- *Characteristic of or devoted to the temporal world as opposed to the spiritual world.*
- *(of a person) experienced and sophisticated.*
- *Very sophisticated especially because of surfeit; versed in the ways of the world.*
- *Of or concerned with material values or ordinary life rather than a spiritual existence.*



Synonyms of "Worldly" as an adjective (39 Words)

astute

Having or showing an ability to accurately assess situations or people and turn this to one's advantage.

*An **astute** tenant always reads the small print in a lease.*

aware

Having knowledge or perception of a situation or fact.

*Most people are **aware** of the dangers of sunbathing.*

base

Serving as or forming a base.

*The painter applied a **base** coat followed by two finishing coats.*

blase	Very sophisticated especially because of surfeit; versed in the ways of the world. <i>The blase traveler refers to the ocean he has crossed as the pond.</i>
carnal	Relating to physical, especially sexual, needs and activities. <i>Carnal knowledge.</i>
corporeal	Consisting of material objects. <i>That which is created is of necessity corporeal and visible and tangible.</i>
cosmopolitan	Of worldwide scope or applicability. <i>His cosmopolitan benevolence impartially extended to all races and to all creeds.</i>
cultivated	Prepared for raising crops by plowing or fertilizing. <i>Cultivated blackberries.</i>
cultured	Marked by refinement in taste and manners. <i>Cultured tastes.</i>
earthly	Of or belonging to or characteristic of this earth as distinguished from heaven. <i>Our earthly home.</i>
enlightened	Having or showing a rational, modern, and well-informed outlook. <i>The more enlightened employers offer better terms.</i>
experienced	Having gained knowledge or skill in a particular field over time. <i>An experienced social worker.</i>
fleshly	Relating to human desire or bodily appetites; sensual. <i>Fleshly desire.</i>
gross	(of weight) including contents, wrappings, or other variable items; overall. <i>A gross slap and tickle version of <i>The Taming of the Shrew</i>.</i>
human	Having human form or attributes as opposed to those of animals or divine beings. <i>They are only human and therefore mistakes do occur.</i>
knowing	Highly educated; having extensive information or understanding. <i>A knowing collector of rare books.</i>
knowledgeable	Highly educated; having extensive information or understanding. <i>A knowledgeable audience.</i>
material	Having material or physical form or substance Benjamin Jowett. <i>Information that could be material to a murder inquiry.</i>
materialistic	Marked by materialism. <i>We re living in a highly materialistic society.</i>

mature	Fully developed or matured and ready to be eaten or used. <i>A rather nice mature Camembert.</i>
mortal	Long and tedious. <i>Mortal beings.</i>
mundane	Lacking interest or excitement; dull. <i>According to the Shinto doctrine spirits of the dead can act upon the mundane world.</i>
perceptive	Having the ability to perceive or understand; keen in discernment. <i>An extraordinarily perceptive account of their relationship.</i>
physical	Impelled by physical force especially against resistance. <i>The physical size of a computer.</i>
profane	Characterized by profanity or cursing. <i>Profane words.</i>
seasoned	Rendered competent through trial and experience. <i>Seasoned wood.</i>
secular	(of a fluctuation or trend) occurring or persisting over an indefinitely long period. <i>There is evidence that the slump is not cyclical but secular.</i>
sensual	Sexually exciting or gratifying. <i>Music is the only sensual pleasure without vice.</i>
shrewd	Acting with a specific goal. <i>A shrewd east wind.</i>
sophisticated	Appealing to or frequented by people who are sophisticated. <i>A chic sophisticated woman.</i>
sordid	Unethical or dishonest. <i>Sordid material interests.</i>
tangible	Capable of being perceived; especially capable of being handled or touched or felt. <i>Skin with a tangible roughness.</i>
temporal	Characteristic of or devoted to the temporal world as opposed to the spiritual world. <i>Temporal possessions of the church.</i>
terrestrial	(of an animal) living on or in the ground; not aquatic, arboreal, or aerial. <i>This terrestrial ball.</i>
unspiritual	Not spiritual; worldly. <i>The clergymen were deplorably unspiritual.</i>

urbane	Courteous and refined in manner (typically used of a man). <i>The supposedly urbane restrained English gentleman.</i>
vile	Of little worth or value. <i>He has a vile temper.</i>
worldly-wise	Experienced in and wise to the ways of the world.



Usage Examples of "Worldly" as an adjective

- *Worldly goods and advancement.*
- *The benefits of his worldly wisdom.*
- *She was much more worldly than Nora and dismissed the slur.*
- *His ambitions for worldly success.*

Associations of "Worldly" (30 Words)

acceptation	A particular sense or the generally recognized meaning common acceptance of a word or phrase.
allure	Powerfully attract or charm; tempt. <i>People for whom gold holds no allure.</i>
attraction	The influence exerted by one word on another which causes it to change to an incorrect form, e.g. the wages of sin is (for are) death. <i>She has very romantic ideas about sexual attraction.</i>
auricular	Relating to or shaped like an auricle. <i>The Catholic doctrine of the necessity of private auricular confession.</i>
<u>charisma</u>	A personal attractiveness or interestingness that enables you to influence others. <i>He has tremendous charisma and stage presence.</i>
<u>church</u>	Take a woman who has recently given birth to church for a service of thanksgiving. <i>Our church is hosting a picnic next week.</i>
common	Common sense. <i>The common people in those days suffered greatly.</i>
dating	Use of chemical analysis to estimate the age of geological specimens.
devil	Chief spirit of evil and adversary of God; tempter of mankind; master of Hell. <i>Casting out devils.</i>
diehard	One who adheres to traditional views. <i>A diehard Yankees fan.</i>
<u>earthly</u>	Relating to humankind's material existence as distinct from a spiritual or heavenly one. <i>There was no earthly reason why she should not come too.</i>
ecosystem	A biological community of interacting organisms and their physical environment. <i>The entire ecosystem of film and video production will eventually go digital.</i>
layperson	A person without professional or specialized knowledge in a particular subject. <i>His highly successful lectures were meant for an audience of laypersons interested in the natural sciences.</i>
materialistic	Marked by materialism. <i>We re living in a highly materialistic society.</i>
<u>mundane</u>	Lacking interest or excitement; dull. <i>Not a fairy palace yet a mundane wonder of unimagined kind.</i>

ordinary	Those parts of a Roman Catholic service, especially the Mass, which do not vary from day to day. An ordinary wine.
overland	By land. They left the ship and overlanded to Coolgardie.
<u>prayer</u>	Earnest or urgent request. I ll say a prayer for him.
<u>profane</u>	Corrupt morally or by intemperance or sensuality. It was a serious matter to profane a tomb.
quotidian	Ordinary or everyday; mundane. The car sped noisily off through the quotidian traffic.
routine	Organize according to a routine. As a matter of routine a report will be sent to the director.
<u>secular</u>	A secular priest. Secular drama.
<u>seduction</u>	A tempting or attractive thing. If seduction doesn t work she can play on his sympathy.
<u>temporal</u>	Characteristic of or devoted to the temporal world as opposed to the spiritual world. Temporal joys.
<u>temptation</u>	A thing that attracts or tempts someone. We almost gave in to temptation .
<u>terrestrial</u>	(of an animal) living on or in the ground; not aquatic, arboreal, or aerial. He developed an immense terrestrial practicality.
traditional	(of a person or group) adhering to tradition, or to a particular tradition. Traditional Elgarians.
unexceptional	Not special in any way; lacking distinction. A unexceptional an incident as can be found in a lawyer s career.
<u>unremarkable</u>	Not particularly interesting or surprising. An unremarkable house.
<u>usual</u>	The drink one habitually prefers. My usual please she said to the barman.