

# eerie

part of speech  
adjective

## Definition

Causing fear or uneasiness.

mysteriously or uncannily frightening; weirdly;  
ghostly.

Inspiring superstitious fear.

## Examples:

He heard a chorus of eerie voices singing to him from the egg.

The graveyard was completely silent and slightly eerie.

His magical eye fixed her with an eerie, unblinking stare.

## Synonyms

spooky  
weird  
otherworldly  
strange  
uncanny  
sinister  
ghostly  
unearthly

## Antonyms

wholesome  
homely  
ordinary  
natural  
commonplace  
everyday  
regular

## Word roots

Old English *earg* = cowardly; affected with  
superstitious fear.

Old Norse *argr* = evil

## Words with the same root

eerily  
eeriness

## word pairs

eerie sound  
eerie feeling  
eerie place  
eerie moment  
eerie  
photograph