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## Simple Definition of UNIQUE

Popularity: Top 10% of words

—used to say that something or someone is unlike anything or anyone else

: very special or unusual

: belonging to or connected with only one particular thing, place, or person

Source: Merriam-Webster's Learner's Dictionary



Examples: UNIQUE in a sentence

Tip: Synonym guide

Tip: Usage guide

## Full Definition of UNIQUE

- 1** : being the only one : **SOLE** <his *unique* concern was his own comfort> <I can't walk away with a *unique* copy. Suppose I lost it? — Kingsley Amis> <the *unique* factorization of a number into prime factors>
- 2** **a** : being without a **like** or equal : **UNEQUALED** <could stare at the flames, each one new, violent, *unique* — Robert Coover>  
**b** : distinctively **characteristic** : **PECULIAR** 1 <this is not a condition *unique* to California — Ronald Reagan>
- 3** : **UNUSUAL** <a very *unique* ball-point pen> <we were fairly *unique*, the sixty of us, in that there wasn't one good mixer in the bunch — J. D. Salinger>

—**uniquely** *adverb*