

**pessimistic**

[ˌpesɪˈmɪstɪk, -{ˌpesɪˈmɪstɪk}(ə)] *a*  
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**pes·sim·is·tic** [ˌpɛsɪˈmɪstɪk] *BrE* [ˌpɛsɪˈmɪstɪk] *NAme*  
[ˌpɛsɪˈmɪstɪk] *a* **adjective** ~ (about sth)

expecting bad things to happen or sth not to be successful; showing this

- They appeared surprisingly pessimistic about their chances of winning.
- a pessimistic view of life
- I think you're being far too pessimistic.

**Opp:** ↑optimistic

Derived Word ↑pessimistically

Example Bank:

- I am deeply pessimistic about the future.
- These figures look quite pessimistic.
- He seems to take a rather pessimistic view of human nature.
- I think you're being far too pessimistic.

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**pes·si·mis·tic** /ˌpɛsəˈmɪstɪk/, ˌpɛsɪˈmɪstɪk/ *BrE* *AmE* *a* **adjective**

expecting that bad things will happen in the future or that something will have a bad result **OPP optimistic:**  
a pessimistic view of life

**pessimistic about**

He remains deeply pessimistic about the peace process.

—**pessimistically** /-kli/ *adverb*

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**THESAURUS**

- **pessimistic** expecting that bad things will happen, or that someone will be unsuccessful: He was pessimistic about the team's chances of winning the championship. | a pessimistic view of human nature
- **downbeat** having an attitude that is not hopeful and not expecting success, or not expecting the situation to improve, especially the economic or political situation: The overall mood in the stockmarket is decidedly downbeat. | The chairman made some downbeat remarks about the company's sales performance. | His assessment of the UK's economic prospects is generally downbeat.
- **gloomy** not having much hope for the future: Environmental groups are gloomy about the future of our planet. | The article painted a gloomy picture of the human rights situation in Burma.
- **negative** considering only the bad qualities of a situation, person etc, and not the good ones: His negative attitude towards work was affecting his colleagues. | Why are you always so negative?
- **fear the worst** *formal* to expect a situation to have the worst possible result, because you know how bad the situation could be: I hadn't heard any news from her for over a week, and I was starting to fear the worst.
- **sb's glass is half empty** *informal* used about people who only see the bad qualities of a situation, even when other people might see better qualities in the same situation: He's one of those people whose glass is always half empty.

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