

**menacing**

[ˈmenɪsɪŋ] *a*

грозный, угрожающий

in a menacing tone - грозным /угрожающим/ тоном

Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

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**men·ac·ing** [menacing menacingly] *BrE* [ˈmenəsɪŋ] <sup>m</sup> *NAmE* [ˈmenəsɪŋ] <sup>m</sup>

*adjective*

seeming likely to cause you harm or danger

**Syn:** †threatening

- a **menacing face/tone**
- At night, the dark streets become menacing.

Derived Word †menacingly

Example Bank:

- She had a faintly menacing manner.
- darkly menacing alleys
- He looked up at the circle of menacing faces surrounding him.

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**men·ac·ing** /ˈmenəsɪŋ, ˈmenɪsɪŋ/ *BrE* <sup>m</sup> *AmE* <sup>m</sup> *adjective*

making you expect something unpleasant **SYN** threatening :

- dark menacing clouds
- a low menacing laugh
- His tone grew more menacing.

**—menacingly** *adverb*:

- He moved towards her menacingly.

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**THESAURUS**

- **frightening** making you feel frightened: Being held at gunpoint had been the most frightening moment of his life. | The experience was very frightening.
- **scary** *especially spoken* frightening. **Scary** is less formal than **frightening** and is very common in everyday English: The movie was really scary. | There were some scary moments.
- **chilling** frightening, especially because violence, cruelty, or danger is involved: a chilling tale of revenge, murder and madness | The court heard chilling details about the attack.
- **spooky** frightening and strange, especially because something involves ghosts or powers that people do not understand: The forest is really spooky in the dark. | a spooky coincidence | spooky stories
- **creepy** *informal* frightening in a way that makes you feel nervous, especially when you are not sure exactly why – used especially about places, people, and feelings: This place is really creepy. Let's get out of here. | a creepy guy | Do you know that creepy feeling when you're sure someone's there but you can't see or hear anything?
- **eerie** *especially literary* strange and frightening: There was an eerie silence immediately after the bomb went off. | an eerie light | an eerie feeling
- **intimidating** making you feel frightened, nervous, or lacking in confidence: Big schools can be an intimidating place for young children. | Giving evidence in court is often a rather intimidating experience. | the intimidating presence of a large number of soldiers
- **menacing** frightening because you think someone is going to hurt you, even though they have not said or done anything violent – used especially about someone's expression or voice: The woman had a very menacing look. | 'I'd like to have a word with you outside,' he said in a menacing tone.

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