

[ˈi(ə)ri] *a*

- жуткий, мрачный, внушающий суеверный страх
eerie shriek - вопль, от которого кровь стынет в жилах
- испытывающий непонятный страх, охваченный предчувствием беды
eerie feeling - страх перед чем-то неведомым
- шотл.* боязливый, суеверно-трусливый

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eerie [eerie eerier eeriest] *BrE* [ˈiəri] ^m *NAmE* [ˈiri] ^m **adjective**

strange, mysterious and frightening

Syn: ↑uncanny

- an eerie yellow light
- I found the silence underwater really eerie.

Derived Words ↑eerily ▪ ↑eeriness**Word Origin:**Middle English (originally northern English and Scots in the sense 'fearful'): probably from Old English earg 'cowardly', of Germanic origin; related to German *arg*.**Example Bank:**

- a silence so long that it was almost eerie
- He had an eerie feeling that he was not alone.
- an eerie green light

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eerie /ˈiəri \$ ˈiri/ *BrE* ^m *AmE* ^m **adjective**[**Date:** 1200-1300; **Language:** Old English; **Origin:** earg 'not brave, full of fear']

strange and frightening:

the eerie sound of an owl hooting at night

—**eerily** *adverb*

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- **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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