

# harshness *(harsh-ness)*

## Definition

n. 1 excessive sternness; 2 the quality of being unpleasant or rough or grating to the senses

## Example Sentence

The **harshness** of his words made him upset.

## Synonyms

rough; brutal; hard

## Antonyms

kind; pleasant

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