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worried

wor·ried [worried worriedly] BrE ['wʌrid] NAmE ['wɜ□riǧ adjective

thinking about unpleasant things that have happened or that might happen and therefore feeling unhappy and afraid

- Don't look so worried!
- \cdot ~ about sb/sth I'm not worried about her— she can take care of herself.
- Doctors are worried about the possible spread of the disease.
- \cdot ~ by sth We're not too worried by these results.
- ~ (that...) The police are worried that the man may be armed.
- I was worried you wouldn't come.
- \bullet Where have you been? I've been worried sick (= extremely worried) .
- Try not to get worried .
- She gave me a worried look.

Idiom: [†]you had me worried Derived Word [†]worriedly

Synonyms:

worried

concerned • nervous • anxious • uneasy

These words all describe feeling unhappy and afraid because you are thinking about unpleasant things that might happen or might have happened.

worried • thinking about unpleasant things that might happen or might have happened and therefore feeling unhappy and afraid
concerned • worried and feeling concern about sth

worried or concerned?

Concerned is usually used when you are talking about a problem that affects another person, society, the world, etc, while **worried** can be used for this or for more personal matters.

nervous • feeling worried about sth or slightly afraid of sth

anxious • feeling worried or nervous about sth

worried, nervous or anxious?

Worried is the most frequent word to describe how you feel when you are thinking about a problem or something bad that might happen. **Anxious** can describe a stronger feeling and is more formal. **Nervous** is more often used to describe how you feel before you do something very important such as an exam or an interview, or something unpleasant or difficult. **Nervous** can describe sb's personality: **a** very nervous girl is often or usually nervous, **a** worried girl is worried on a particular occasion or about a particular thing. **Worried** describes her feelings, not her personality. **Anxious** may describe feelings or personality.

uneasy • feeling worried or unhappy about a particular situation, especially because you think sth bad may happen or because you are not sure that what you are doing is right

worried/concerned/nervous/anxious/uneasy about (doing) sth

worried/concerned/anxious for sb/sth

worried/concerned/nervous/anxious that...

a(n) worried/concerned/nervous/anxious/uneasy expression/look/smile

to get worried/nervous/anxious

Example Bank:

- Citizens in inner-city areas are desperately worried and rightly so.
- I started to get worried when they didn't arrive home.
- She was worried sick about her son.
- We were really worried about you!
- Don't look so worried!
- I was worried (that) I would fail the exam.
- I'm not worried about her- she can take care of herself.
- Where have you been? I've been worried sick.

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[Word Family: adjective: [↑]worried ≠UNWORRIED, [↑]worrying, [↑]worrisome; noun: [↑]worry, [↑]worrier, adverb [↑]worryingly, [↑]worriedly; verb [↑]worry]

1. unhappy because you keep thinking about a problem, or about something bad that might happen:

She gave me a worried look.

worried about

^a I'm really worried about my brother.

worried by

Local people are worried by the rise in crime.

worried (that)

- I was worried we wouldn't have enough money.
- His parents must be <u>worried sick</u> (=extremely worried).

2. you had me worried spoken used to say that someone made you feel anxious because you did not properly understand what

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they said, or did not realize that it was a joke:

You had me worried there for a minute!

-worriedly adverb

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COLLOCATIONS

adverbs

- very/really worried We were really worried about him during the divorce.
- increasingly worried The family became increasingly worried about her safety.
- seriously/deeply worried Hazel was now seriously worried. Why hadn't he come back?
- desperately worried (=extremely worried) All this time I was desperately worried about my family.
- a little/slightly worried (also a bit worried British English) I was a bit worried about my exams.

- not unduly worried (=not very worried) Jerry did not sound unduly worried at the prospect of going to jail.

verbs

- be worried I was so worried!
- get/become worried You should have called me. I was getting worried.
- look worried Don't look so worried! It'll be fine.

phrases

• worried sick/stiff (=extremely worried) Where have you been? We've been worried sick!

nouns

- a worried expression/look John came in with a worried look on his face.
- a worried frown Her worried frown deepened.

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worried not feeling happy or relaxed because you keep thinking about a problem or something bad that might happen: I was worried that you had forgotten our date. | It's awful if you are worried about money. | I was so worried that I couldn't sleep at all.
anxious worried because you think something bad might happen or has happened. Anxious is more formal than worried, and is often used about a general feeling of worry, when you are not sure what has happened: A lot of employees are anxious about their jobs. | Anxious relatives waited for news.

• **nervous** worried or frightened about something you are going to do or experience, and unable to relax: Everyone feels nervous before an exam. | The thought of going into hospital was making me nervous.

• uneasy a little worried because you feel there may be something wrong and you are not sure what is going to happen: When she still wasn't home by midnight, I began to feel uneasy. | The total silence was making me feel uneasy.

• concerned *formal* worried, usually about a problem affecting someone else or affecting the country or the world: Many people are concerned about the current economic situation. | Police say that they are concerned for the safety of the missing girl.

• bothered [not before noun] worried by something that happens – often used in negative sentences: She didn't seem particularly bothered by the news.

• troubled very worried, so that you think about something a lot: She fell into a troubled sleep. | a troubled expression | 'Are you okay, Ben? You look troubled.'

• apprehensive *especially written* a little worried about something you are going to do, or about the future, because you are not sure what it will be like: I felt a bit apprehensive about seeing him again after so long.

• stressed (out) informal very worried and tired because of problems, too much work etc, and unable to relax or enjoy life: He'd been working ten hours a day for ages and was stressed out. | an extremely stressed single mother

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