Subject: What is the opposite of pain?

Posted by Starbuzz on Sun, 15 Feb 2009 02:52:24 GMT

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EDIT: And is there a specific word for it?

Subject: Re: What is the opposite of pain?

Posted by Nukelt15 on Sun. 15 Feb 2009 03:29:07 GMT

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What sort of pain do you refer to?

To emotional pain (depression and grief, for example), I would say that the opposite- or as close as you might find to one- is serenity. A state of being where you are calm and unburdened- that is, a state of being in which you do not suffer. Serenity, however, would also be an opposite to any state of emotional stress- even positive stress like elation, relief, etc. Those, also, could be called opposites to pain- but it has been argued that such feelings are meaningless without pain to set them against for comparison. A state of absolute inner serenity, however, cannot coexist with pain and is thus a truer opposite to it as one cancels the other out.

Physical pain, on the other hand, I don't really believe has an opposite. Certainly not pleasure; to some the two are one in the same. Physical sensations are somewhat prone to being reversed or altered by a few crossed wires; perceptions of them differ from person to person. Any given emotion, however, is the same for anyone who feels it- only the cause and intensity differs.

Subject: Re: What is the opposite of pain?

Posted by SSADMVR on Sun, 15 Feb 2009 15:33:35 GMT

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Orgasm.

Subject: Re: What is the opposite of pain?

Posted by Ma1kel on Sun, 15 Feb 2009 15:40:41 GMT

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Even more pain

Subject: Re: What is the opposite of pain?

Posted by inz on Sun, 15 Feb 2009 16:11:42 GMT

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Subject: Re: What is the opposite of pain?

Posted by z310 on Sun, 15 Feb 2009 16:20:54 GMT

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Philosophical question?

Subject: Re: What is the opposite of pain?

Posted by Carrierll on Sun, 15 Feb 2009 17:03:24 GMT

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z310 wrote on Sun, 15 February 2009 16:20Philosophical question? No thanks.

That's enough. Back on topic please.

Subject: Re: What is the opposite of pain?

Posted by danpaul88 on Sun, 15 Feb 2009 18:39:18 GMT

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Interesting question, I did some googling on it and found this potential answer, specific to physical pain only though;

Quote: Itch. Pain is the feeling of the destruction of cells, itch is the sensation of healing.

Subject: Re: What is the opposite of pain?

Posted by inz on Sun, 15 Feb 2009 18:58:57 GMT

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Physical pain doesn't have to be destruction of cells, it could be physiological or simply a stimulated nerve. Itch isn't always healing (whether it's even related to healing at all?) it could simply the brain telling us to rub off dead cells or a parasite.

Subject: Re: What is the opposite of pain?

Posted by Carrierll on Sun, 15 Feb 2009 19:04:41 GMT

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Rubbing off dead cells or a parasite could be seen as pre-emptive healing. Neither of those are

going to do you many favours...

Subject: Re: What is the opposite of pain?

Posted by BlueThen on Sun, 15 Feb 2009 19:15:44 GMT

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http://thesaurus.reference.com/browse/pain

Subject: Re: What is the opposite of pain?

Posted by [NE]Fobby[GEN] on Sun, 15 Feb 2009 22:54:31 GMT

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Opposite of pain is death, because as long as you're alive there is at least a degree of pain at all times.

Subject: Re: What is the opposite of pain?

Posted by liquidv2 on Mon, 16 Feb 2009 02:24:44 GMT

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Ma1kel wrote on Sun, 15 February 2009 09:40Even more pain awesome

Subject: Re: What is the opposite of pain?

Posted by inz on Mon, 16 Feb 2009 17:04:46 GMT

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[NEFobby[GEN] wrote on Sun, 15 February 2009 22:54]Opposite of pain is death, because as long as you're alive there is at least a degree of pain at all times.

What about unconscious or sleeping?

Subject: Re: What is the opposite of pain?

Posted by Ryu on Mon, 16 Feb 2009 20:14:50 GMT

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Asking this is like asking what the definition of stupid is.. there isn't one for either.

Stupidity comes in various ways, Pain has many opposites but non is 100% correct.

Subject: Re: What is the opposite of pain?

Posted by GEORGE ZIMMER on Tue, 17 Feb 2009 22:07:03 GMT

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Starbuzz wrote on Sun, 15 February 2009 02:52What is the opposite of pain?

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Having sex with Surth.

But in all seriousness, it depends what kind of pain. Physical? Healthiness/Health, or the like. Mentally, I'd say something along the lines of clarity of mind or happiness, I dunno.

As said, I guess there isn't a 100% "opposite" since it's a pretty general term with varying uses.

Subject: Re: What is the opposite of pain?

Posted by SlikRik on Tue, 17 Feb 2009 22:40:58 GMT

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SSADMVR wrote on Sun, 15 February 2009 10:33Orgasm.

Exactly what I would say.

Subject: Re: What is the opposite of pain?

Posted by [NE]Fobby[GEN] on Wed, 18 Feb 2009 02:14:50 GMT

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I think this is the opposite of pain:

http://www.commandandconguer.com/home/renegade2

Subject: Re: What is the opposite of pain?

Posted by u6795 on Wed, 18 Feb 2009 02:22:38 GMT

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[NEFobby[GEN] wrote on Tue, 17 February 2009 21:14] I think this is the opposite of pain:

http://www.commandandconquer.com/home/renegade2

I think I love you.

Subject: Re: What is the opposite of pain?

Posted by Ssnipe on Wed, 18 Feb 2009 06:16:11 GMT

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Subject: Re: What is the opposite of pain?

Posted by TD on Thu, 19 Feb 2009 13:36:54 GMT

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Opposite of that is the feeling I get when anally chemspraying GDI n00bs with my Chemwarrior

Subject: Re: What is the opposite of pain?

Posted by Prulez on Thu, 19 Feb 2009 21:48:45 GMT

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SlikRik wrote on Tue, 17 February 2009 23:40SSADMVR wrote on Sun, 15 February 2009 10:33Orgasm.

Exactly what I would say.

QFT? Maybe.

Subject: Re: What is the opposite of pain?

Posted by \_SSnipe\_ on Fri, 20 Feb 2009 02:43:33 GMT

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SSnipe wrote on Tue, 17 February 2009 22:16l think the opposite of pain is pleasure

Subject: Re: What is the opposite of pain?

Posted by Herr Surth on Fri, 20 Feb 2009 08:22:43 GMT

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SSnipe wrote on Thu, 19 February 2009 20:43SSnipe wrote on Tue, 17 February 2009 22:161 think the opposite of pain is pleasure

no.

Subject: Re: What is the opposite of pain?

Posted by Prulez on Fri, 20 Feb 2009 08:44:56 GMT

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Maybe I got the solution.

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