



inapt adj

Not suitable for the situation. An inapt phrase, statement, etc. is not right for a particular situation

Synonyms:

unsuitable, unacceptable, inappropriate.

- His comments were perhaps **inapt**.
- Her **inapt** comment shocked us.
- His **inapt** response did not address the issue.

“**Inapt**” is an antonym for “**apt**” which means suitable or right for a particular situation.

- This analogy is a particularly **apt** one.

inept adj

Not skilled or effective.

Synonyms:

incompetent, clumsy, inexperienced.

- Jane was socially **inept** and uncomfortable in the presence of men.
- He was criticized for his **inept** handling of the situation.

Inept at (doing) something:

- He was always rather **inept at** sport.
- You are completely **inept at** writing.
- He is **inept at** mechanical tasks.
- She is **inept at** dealing with people.

adept adj

Having a natural ability to do something that needs skill:

Synonyms:

good, proficient, skilful

- He is an **adept** guitar player.

Adept at/in (doing) something:

- She's very **adept at** dealing with the media.
- He was highly **adept at** avoiding trouble.
- The driver proved **adept in** the art of avoiding potholes in the road.

Inept and adept are antonyms.