

alchemy['ælkəmi] *n*

1. алхимия
2. магическая сила (превращения, возрождения и т. п.)
the alchemy of spring - колдовство весны; весеннее пробуждение природы

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al·chemy *BrE* ['ælkəmi] ^ˈ *NAmE* ['ælkəmi] ^ˈ **noun uncountable**

1. a form of chemistry studied in the Middle Ages which involved trying to discover how to change ordinary metals into gold
2. (*literary*) a mysterious power or magic that can change things

Word Origin:

[**alchemy**] late Middle English: via Old French and medieval Latin from Arabic *al-kīmiyā*, from *al* 'the' + *kīmiyā* (from Greek *khēmia*, *khēmeia* 'art of transmuting metals').

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[**Date:** 1300-1400; **Language:** Old French; **Origin:** *alquemie*, from Medieval Latin *alchymia*, from Arabic *al-kimiya* 'the alchemy', from Late Greek *chemeia*; ⇒ ↑**chemotherapy**]

1. a science studied in the Middle Ages, that involved trying to change ordinary metals into gold
2. *literary* magic

—**alchemist** *noun* [countable]**alchemy**

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