

decoy

1. [dɪˈkɔɪ, ˈdiːkɔɪ] *n*
 - 1) пруд, затаенный сеткой (куда заманивают диких уток и т. п.)
 - 2) западня, ловушка
 2. 1) приманка
 - 2) *охот.* манок
 - 3) человек, вовлекающий другого в западню, ловушку
 3. *воен.*
 - 1) макет
 - 2) ложная цель

2. [dɪˈkɔɪ] *v*
 1. приманивать; заманивать в ловушку
to decoy ducks into a net - приманить уток в сеть
to decoy the enemy troops into an ambush - заманить войска противника в засаду /в ловушку/
 2. завлекать; соблазнять, обманывать (*мж.* decoy away, decoy out)
to decoy smb. to do smth. - хитростью заставить кого-л. сделать что-л.
to decoy a girl under age - *юр.* развратить/растлить малолетнюю

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• **I. decoy** [decoy decoys decoyed decoying] *BrE* [ˈdiːkɔɪ] *NAmE* [ˈdiːkɔɪ]

noun countable

1. an animal or a bird, or a model of one, that attracts other animals or birds, especially so that they can be shot by people who are hunting them
2. a thing or a person that is used to trick sb into doing what you want them to do, going where you want them to go, etc.

Word Origin:

mid 16th cent. (earlier as coy): *f* from Dutch *de kooi* 'the decoy', *f* from Middle Dutch *de kouw* 'the cage', *f* from Latin *cavea* 'cage'.

Example Bank:

- They were smuggled out of the building in a police decoy operation.
- We need someone to act as a decoy to distract their attention.

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Main entry: ↑**decoy** derived

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[Date: 1500-1600; Language: Dutch; Origin: *de kooi* 'the cage' (= structure of bars for keeping animals in)]

1. someone or something that is used to trick someone into going somewhere or doing something, so that you can catch them, attack them etc:
* Of *f* *it* Langley acted as a decoy to catch the rapist.
2. a model of a bird used to attract wild birds so that you can watch them or shoot them

—**decoy** /dɪˈkɔɪ/ **verb** [transitive]

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Frequency Pack

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