

chaff

I

- [tʃɑ:f] *n*
1. мякина
 2. мелко нарезанная солома, сечка
chaff bed - соломенный тюфяк
 3. высевки
 4. костра, кострика (*отходы трепания и чесания*)
 5. отбросы; нечто легковесное, наносное, не имеющее ценности
their suspicions were chaff - их подозрения были сплошной ерундой
◇ an old bird is not caught with chaff - *посл.* старого воробья на мякине не проведёшь

II

1. [tʃɑ:f] *n разг.*
подшучивание, поддразнивание
2. [tʃɑ:f] *v разг.*
 - 1) подшучивать, (добродушно) посмеиваться (*над кем-л.*)
 - 2) смеяться, шутить
they chaffed with each other - они обменивались шутками

II

- [tʃɑ:f] *n воен.*
дипольные отражатели
chaff jamming - помехи, создаваемые при помощи дипольных отражателей

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chaff [chaff chaffs chaffed chaffing] *noun, verb* BrE [tʃɑːf] ^m NAmE [tʃæf] ^m

noun uncountable

1. the outer covering of the seeds of grain such as ↑wheat, which is separated from the grain before it is eaten
 2. ↑straw (= dried ↑stems of ↑wheat) and ↑hay (= dried grass) cut up as food for cows
- see sort out/separate the wheat from the chaff at ↑wheat

Word Origin:

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v. early 19th cent. ↑chafe

verb ~ sb (old-fashioned or formal)

to make jokes about sb in a friendly way

Syn: ↑tease

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we /they	chaff
	BrE /tʃɑ:f/
	NAmE /tʃæf/
he / she /it	chaffs
	BrE /tʃɑ:fs/
	NAmE /tʃæfs/
past simple, past participle	chaffed
	BrE /tʃɑ:ft/
	NAmE /tʃæft/
-ing form	chaffing
	BrE /tʃɑ:fɪŋ/
	NAmE /tʃæfɪŋ/

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[Language: Old English; Origin: ceaf]

1. the outer seed covers that are separated from grain before it is used as food
 2. dried grasses and plant stems that are used for food for farm animals
- ⇒ separate the wheat from the chaff at ↑wheat(2)

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