

scrounge[skraʊndʒ] *v сл.*

1. стянуть, стибрить, добыть

to scrounge smb.'s cigarettes [smb.'s paper, smb.'s wallet] - стащить у кого-л. сигареты [бумагу, бумажник]

to scrounge around for smth. - а) искать возможности украсть что-л.; рыскать в поисках того, что плохо лежит, б) искать, разыскивать

to scrounge around for something to eat - шарить в поисках съестного

2. кланчить, выпрашивать, попрошайничать

to scrounge on smb. - *амер.* жить на чей-л. счёт**scrounge**

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scrounge [scrounge scrounges scrounged scrounging] *verb, noun BrE*[skraʊndʒ] *NA mE* [skraʊndʒ]*verb transitive, intransitive (informal, disapproving)*

to get sth from sb by asking them for it rather than by paying for it

Syn: †cadge

- ~ (sth) (off/from sb) He's always scrounging free meals off us.
- Can I scrounge a cigarette from you?
- I don't want to spend the rest of my life scrounging off other people.
- ~ (for sth) What is she scrounging for this time?

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we /they	scrounge
	BrE /skraʊndʒ/
	NA mE /skraʊndʒ/
he / she /it	scrounges
	BrE /skraʊndʒɪz/
	NA mE /skraʊndʒɪz/
past simple, past participle	scrounged
	BrE /skraʊndʒd/
	NA mE /skraʊndʒd/
-ing form	scrounging
	BrE /skraʊndʒɪŋ/
	NA mE /skraʊndʒɪŋ/

Word Origin:

early 20th cent.: variant of dialect scrunge 'steal'.

Example Bank:

- I managed to scrounge some food off an old lady.
- street children scrounging for food
- Can I scrounge a cigarette off you?
- Hello, I've come to scrounge some coffee.
- I don't want to spend my life scrounging from other people.
- They had managed to scrounge a free meal.

Idiom: †on the scrounge**Derived Word** †scrounger**noun****Word Origin:**

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I. **scrounge**¹ /skraʊndʒ/ *BrE* ^m *AmE* ^m *verb* [intransitive and transitive] *informal*

[Date: 1900-2000; Origin: scrunge 'to steal' (1900-2000)]

to get money or something you want by asking other people for it rather than by paying for it yourself

scrounge for

a group of children scrounging for food

scrounge something off/from somebody

I managed to scrounge some money off my dad.

scrounge around (for something) American English:

Leroy would scrounge around for old car parts.

—**scrounger** *noun* [countable]II. **scrounge**² *BrE* ^m *AmE* ^m *noun***be on the scrounge** *British English informal* to be trying to get money or things you want by asking other people for them

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