

muffle

1. [ˈmʌf(ə)] *n*
 - 1) боксёрская перчатка
 - 2) рукавица
 - 3) митенка
 2. *редк., уст.* кашне, шарф
 3. приглушённый звук
 4. *тех.* муфель
 5. *тех.* многошквивный блок
2. [ˈmʌf(ə)] *v*
 - 1) 1) закутывать, кутать, закрывать (*часто* muffle up)
to muffle one's throat - закутать горло /шею/
to muffle oneself (up) well - хорошо закутаться
 - 2) обматывать, обёртывать, окутывать
to muffle the oars - обмотать вёсла
the drums were muffled with black cloth - барабаны были обёрнуты чёрной материей
 2. глушить, заглушать (*звук*)
to muffle the steps [voices, roar] - заглушать шаги [голоса, рёв]
the snow will muffle our approach to the camp - снег даст нам возможность неслышно подойти к лагерю

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Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

muf·fle [muffle muffles muffled muffling] *BrE* [ˈmʌfl] ^m *NAmE* [ˈmʌfl] ^m **verb**

1. ~ **sth** to make a sound quieter or less clear
 - He tried to muffle the alarm clock by putting it under his pillow.
2. ~ **sb/sth (up) in sth** to wrap or cover sb/sth in order to keep them/it warm
 - She muffled the child up in a blanket.

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	muffle
	<i>BrE</i> / ˈmʌfl/
	<i>NAmE</i> / ˈmʌfl/
he / she / it	muffles
	<i>BrE</i> / ˈmʌflz/
	<i>NAmE</i> / ˈmʌflz/
past simple, past participle	muffled
	<i>BrE</i> / ˈmʌfld/
	<i>NAmE</i> / ˈmʌfld/
-ing form	muffling
	<i>BrE</i> / ˈmʌflɪŋ/
	<i>NAmE</i> / ˈmʌflɪŋ/

Word Origin:

late Middle English (as a verb): perhaps a shortening of Old French **enmoufler**; the noun (mid 17th cent.) from Old French **moufle** 'thick glove'.

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muf·fle /ˈmʌfəl/ *BrE* ^m *AmE* ^m **verb** [transitive]

[Date: 1400-1500; Origin: Perhaps from Old French moufle 'glove,' from Medieval Latin moffula; ⇨ ↑muff']

1. to make a sound less loud and clear, especially by covering something:
 - The falling snow muffled the sound of our footsteps.
 - Her voice was muffled by the pillow in which she had hidden her face.
2. (also **muffle somebody up**) [usually passive] to cover yourself or another person with something thick and warm **SYN wrap up**
be muffled (up) in something
 - Penelope arrived, muffled up in a thick coat.

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