

**cook**

1. [kʊk] *n*
  - 1) повар; кухарка
  - 2) *мор.* кок
    - ◇ every cook praises his own broth - всякий повар свою стряпню хвалит; ≅ всяк кулик своё болото хвалит
    - too many cooks spoil the broth - семь поваров за жарким не успеют; ≅ у семи нянек дитя без глаза
    - he is a poor /an ill/ cook that cannot lick his own fingers - повар с голоду не умирает; ≅ повар в поварне, что волк в овчарне
2. [kʊk] *v*
  1. 1) готовить (пищу), стряпать; варить, жарить, печь *и т. п.*
  - 2) вариться, жариться, печься *и т. п.*
    - these apples don't cook well - эти яблоки не годятся для варки *или* для печения
    - let the meat cook slowly - пусть мясо поварится /потушится/ на медленном огне
  - 3) работать поваром, кухаркой *и т. п.*
    - he cooked in lumber camps - он кашеварил у лесорубов
  2. подвергаться действию тепла, жариться
    - to be cooked alive in the tropics - изнемогать /страдать/ от тропической жары
  3. *разг.*
    - 1) подделывать, фальсифицировать (*мж.* cook up)
      - to cook accounts [books] - подделать счета [бухгалтерские книги]
    - 2) выдумать, придумать
      - to cook a story - придумать рассказ (*о происшествии и т. п.*)
      - to cook an excuse - сочинить /придумать/ предлог
  4. *разг.* погубить, извести (*кого-л.*)
  5. *амер. сл.* гореть, пылать (*энтузиазмом и т. п.*)
  6. *амер. сл.* умереть на электрическом стуле
    - you'll cook for that! - тебя за это поджарят!
  7. *амер. сл.* разводить наркотик водой (*перед введением*)
  8. *амер. сл.*
    - 1) отлично работать, показывать класс (*особ. об исполнении музыки*)
    - 2) проходить отлично, на ура (*о вечере и т. п.*)
  9. *фото проф.* передерживать
    - ◇ what's cooking? - что происходит?, что готовится?
    - to cook one's (own) goose /реже bacon/ - погубить себя; ≅ вырыть самому себе яму
    - to cook smb.'s goose - погубить кого-л.; расправиться с кем-л.
    - to cook a hare before catching him - ≅ делить шкуру неубитого медведя

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**cook** [cook cooks cooked cooking] *verb, noun* *BrE* [kʊk] <sup>4</sup> *NAmE* [kʊk] <sup>4</sup>

*verb*

1. **intransitive, transitive** to prepare food by heating it, for example by boiling, baking or frying it
  - Where did you learn to cook?
  - ~ **sth** What's the best way to cook trout?
  - Who's going to cook supper?
  - Add the onion and cook for three minutes.
  - He cooked lunch for me.
  - ~ **sb sth** He cooked me lunch.
2. **intransitive** (*of food*) to be prepared by boiling, baking, frying, etc
  - While the pasta is cooking, prepare the sauce.
3. **intransitive be cooking** (*informal*) to be planned secretly
  - Everyone is being very secretive— there's something cooking.

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	cook
	BrE /kʊk/
	NAmE /kʊk/
he / she / it	cooks
	BrE /kʊks/
	NAmE /kʊks/
past simple, past participle	cooked
	BrE /kʊkt/
	NAmE /kʊkt/
-ing form	cooking
	BrE /kʊkɪŋ/
	NAmE /kʊkɪŋ/

Word Origin:

Old English cōc (noun), from popular Latin **cocus**, from Latin **coquus**.

Thesaurus:

**cook** *verb* **T, I**

- There are various ways to cook fish.

**make** • • **bake** • • **roast** • • **toast** • • **fry** • • **grill** • • **barbecue** • • |AmE **broil** • |especially AmE **fix** • |especially spoken **get** •  
|especially written **prepare** •  
cook/make/fix/get/prepare **breakfast/lunch/dinner**  
cook/roast/fry/grill/barbecue/broil/prepare **chicken**  
cook/bake/roast/fry **potatoes**

### Collocations:

#### **Cooking**

##### *Preparing*

**prepare** a dish/a meal/a menu/dinner/the fish  
**weigh out** 100g/4oz of sugar/the ingredients  
**wash/rinse** the lettuce/spinach/watercress  
**chop/slice/dice** the carrots/onions/potatoes  
**peel** the carrots/onion/potatoes/garlic/orange  
**grate** a carrot/the cheese/some nutmeg  
**remove /discard** the bones/seeds/skin  
**blend/combine/mix (together)** the flour and water/all the ingredients  
**beat/whisk** the cream/eggs/egg whites  
**knead/shape/roll (out)** the dough

##### *Cooking*

**heat** the oil in a frying pan  
**preheat /heat** the oven/(BrE) the grill/(NAme) the broiler  
**bring to (BrE)** the boil/(NAme) a boil  
**stir** constantly/gently with a wooden spoon  
**reduce** the heat  
**simmer** gently for 20 minutes/until reduced by half  
**melt** the butter/chocolate/cheese/sugar  
**brown** the meat for 8-20 minutes  
**drain** the pasta/the water from the pot/in a colander  
**mash** the potatoes/banana/avocado

##### *Ways of cooking*

**cook** food/fish/meat/rice/pasta/a Persian dish  
**bake** (a loaf of) bread/a cake/(especially NAme) cookies/(BrE) biscuits/a pie/potatoes/fish/scones/muffins  
**boil** cabbage/potatoes/an egg/water  
**fry/deep-fry/stir-fry** the chicken/vegetables  
**grill** meat/steak/chicken/sausages/a hot dog  
**roast** potatoes/peppers/meat/chicken/lamb  
**sauté** garlic/mushrooms/onions/potatoes/vegetables  
**steam** rice/vegetables/spinach/asparagus/dumplings  
**toast** bread/nuts  
**microwave** food/popcorn/(BrE) a ready meal

##### *Serving*

**serve** in a glass/on a bed of rice/with potatoes  
**arrange** the slices on a plate/in a layer  
**carve** the meat/lamb/chicken/turkey  
**dress/toss** a salad  
**dress with/drizzle with** olive oil/vinaigrette  
**top with** a slice of lemon/a scoop of ice cream/whipped cream/syrup  
**garnish with** a sprig of parsley/fresh basil leaves/lemon wedges/a slice of lime/a twist of orange  
**sprinkle with** salt/sugar/herbs/parsley/freshly ground black pepper

### Example Bank:

- Ensure that the meat is cooked through.
- I'll cook you a special meal for your birthday.
- Make sure you cook the meat well.
- The vegetables were cooked perfectly.
- Turn the fish over so that it cooks evenly.
- the smell of freshly cooked bacon
- What's the best way to cook trout?
- Who's going to cook supper?

Idioms: ↑**cook somebody's goose** ▪ ↑**cook the books** ▪ ↑**cooking with gas** ▪ ↑**too many cooks spoil the broth**

Derived ↑**cook something up**

### **noun**

a person who cooks food or whose job is cooking

- John is a very good cook (= he cooks well) .
- Who was the cook (= who cooked the food) ?
- She was employed as a cook in a hotel.

**compare** ↑**chef**

## Word Origin:

Old English *cōc* (noun), from popular Latin *cocus*, from Latin *coquus*.

## Example Bank:

- He's a very good cook.
- She wants to become a professional cook.
- easy recipes for home cooks

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I. **cook**<sup>1</sup> **S1 W3** /kʊk/ *BrE* <sup>ˈ</sup> *AmE* <sup>ˈ</sup> *verb*

[**Word Family**: **noun**: ↑cook, ↑cooker, ↑cookery, ↑cooking; **adjective**: cooked ≠ ↑uncooked, overcooked ≠ **UNDERCOOKED**, ↑cooking; **verb**: ↑cook, ↑overcook ≠ **UNDERCOOK**]

1. [**intransitive and transitive**] to prepare food for eating by using heat:

- Where did you learn to cook?
- Cook the sauce over a low heat for ten minutes.

**cook a meal/dinner/breakfast etc**

- I'm usually too tired to cook an evening meal.

**cook something for supper/lunch/dinner etc**

- He was cooking rice for supper.

**cook somebody something**

- She cooked them all a good dinner every night.

**cook (something) for somebody**

- I promised I'd cook for them.
- slices of cooked ham
- a cooked breakfast

2. [**intransitive**] to be prepared for eating by using heat:

- He could smell something delicious cooking.
- Hamburgers were cooking in the kitchen.

3. **cook the books** to dishonestly change official records and figures in order to steal money or give people false information:

- The Government was cooking the books and misleading the public.

4. **be cooking** *informal* to be being planned in a secret way:

- They've got something cooking, and I don't think I like it.

5. **be cooking (with gas)** *spoken* used to say that someone is doing something very well:

- The band's really cooking tonight.

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## COLLOCATIONS

### nouns

- **cook a meal** Shall I cook the meal tonight?
- **cook breakfast/lunch/dinner** Kate was in the kitchen cooking dinner.
- **cook food** The book also gives advice on healthy ways of cooking food.
- **cook rice/pasta/sausages etc** Cook the pasta for about 8 minutes.

### adverbs

- **cook something gently/slowly** (=on a low heat) Reduce the heat and cook gently for 20 minutes.
- **cook something well/thoroughly** (=until it has definitely cooked for a long enough time) Beans should always be cooked well.
- **be cooked through** (=in the middle as well as on the outside) Fry the fish until golden and cooked through.
- **cook something evenly** (=until all of it is equally well cooked) Turn the pie several times to cook it evenly.

### phrases

- **be cooked to perfection** (=be cooked exactly the right amount, so it is perfect) All the dishes were cooked to perfection by the French chef.

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## THESAURUS

### to cook something

- **cook** to prepare a meal or food for eating by using heat: I offered to cook a meal for her. | Cook in a hot oven for 25 minutes.
- **make** to make a meal or a particular dish by cooking it or getting all the parts ready: John was making dinner. | I think I'll make a salad for lunch.
- **prepare** to make a meal or a particular dish by getting all the parts ready. **Prepare** is more formal than **make**: The children helped to prepare the evening meal. | The dish takes a long time to prepare.
- **rustle up** /'rʌsəl/ *informal* to cook a meal or dish quickly using whatever is available: She soon rustled up a tasty soup.
- **fix** *especially American English* to cook or prepare a meal – used about meals you make quickly: Why don't you take a nap while I fix dinner?
- **do** *British English informal* to make a particular type of food: I could do you an omelette. | I was thinking of doing a fish pie when Michael comes.

### ways of cooking something

- **bake** to cook things such as bread or cakes in an oven: Tom baked a cake for my birthday.
- **roast** to cook meat or vegetables in an oven: Roast the potatoes for an hour.
- **fry** to cook food in hot oil: She was frying some mushrooms.

- **stir-fry** to fry small pieces of food while moving them around continuously: stir-fried tofu and bean sprouts
- **sauté** /'səʊteɪ \$ sou'teɪ/ to fry vegetables for a short time in a small amount of butter or oil: Sauté the potatoes in butter.
- **grill** to cook food over or under strong heat: grilled fish
- **broil** *American English* to cook food under heat: broiled fish
- **boil** to cook something in very hot water: He doesn't even know how to boil an egg. | English people seem to love boiled vegetables.
- **steam** to cook vegetables over hot water: Steam the rice for 15 minutes.
- **poach** to cook food, especially fish or eggs, slowly in hot water: poached salmon
- **toast** to cook the outside surfaces of bread: toasted muffins
- **barbecue** to cook food on a metal frame over a fire outdoors: I thought we could barbecue some mackerel.
- **microwave** to cook food in a microwave oven: The beans can be microwaved.

**cook something** ↔ **up** *phrasal verb*

1. to prepare food, especially quickly:
  - Every night he cooked up a big casserole.
2. *informal* to invent an excuse, reason, plan etc, especially one that is slightly dishonest or unlikely to work:
  - the plan that Graham and Dempster had cooked up

**II. cook**<sup>2</sup> *BrE* <sup>1</sup> *AmE* <sup>1</sup> *noun* [countable]

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[**Language**: Old English; **Origin**: coc, from Latin coquus, from coquere 'to cook']

1. someone who prepares and cooks food as their job **SYN chef**:
    - He works as a cook in a local restaurant.
  2. **be a good/wonderful/terrible etc cook** to be good or bad at preparing and cooking food
  3. **too many cooks (spoil the broth)** used when you think there are too many people trying to do the same job at the same time, so that the job is not done well
- ⇒ **chief cook and bottle-washer** at ↑chief<sup>1</sup>(3)

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