

**envelope**

[ˈɛnvələʊp] *n*

1. 1) конверт  
 a stamped envelope - конверт с маркой  
 envelope ballot - *амер.* голосование запечатанными конвертами  
 pay envelope - а) конверт с заработной платой; б) получка, заработок
- 2) обёртка, обложка:  
 envelope paper - обёрточная *или* конвертная бумага
2. 1) оболочка  
 the envelope of air around the Earth - воздушная оболочка Земли, земная атмосфера
- 2) *спец.* обшивка; кожа
3. *тех.*
- 1) обечайка
- 2) обмуровка
4. *мат.* огибающая (линия)  
 envelope curve - огибающая (кривая)
5. *элк.* колба, баллон
6. *физиол.* оболочка, плёнка
7. *бот.* обвёртка (*растения*)

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**en-vel-ope** [envelope envelopes] *BrE* [ˈɛnvələʊp] *AmE* [ˈɛnvələʊp] *BrE* [ˈɛnvələʊp] *AmE* [ˈɑːnvələʊp] **noun**



1. a flat paper container used for sending letters in
  - writing paper and envelopes
  - an **airmail / padded / prepaid envelope****see also** ↑pay envelope ↑sae, ↑SASE
2. a flat container made of plastic for keeping papers in  
**see** push the envelope **at** ↑push *v.*

Word Origin:

mid 16th cent. (in the sense ‘wrapper, enveloping layer’; originally as envelope): from French *enveloppe* from *envelopper* ‘envelop’ . The sense ‘covering of a letter’ dates from the early 18th cent.

Example Bank:

- He gave her the envelope of certificates.
- He quickly stuffed the money back into the envelope
- I couldn't read the address on the envelope
- I had put the letter in the wrong envelope
- I scribbled his phone number on the back of an envelope
- Please enclose a self-addressed envelope if you would like a reply.
- The envelope was marked ‘Personal’.
- The letter was suspicious, and I considered steaming open the envelope
- To apply, use the enclosed reply-paid envelope (no stamp needed).
- You don't earn much stuffing envelopes
- a self-addressed stamped envelope
- an envelope addressed in my mother's round handwriting
- an official-looking manila envelope
- Each item was tagged and sealed in a plastic envelope
- Writing paper and envelopes are provided in your room.
- an airmail/a padded/a prepaid envelope

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**en-ve-lope** **S3** /ˈɛnvələʊp \$ -ləʊp/ *BrE* *AmE* **noun** [countable]

[Date: 1700-1800; Language: French; Origin: *enveloppe* from Old French *enveloper*, ⇒ ↑envelop]



1. a thin paper cover in which you put and send a letter:
  - envelopes and stamps
  - She tore open the envelope and frantically read the letter.
  - He got a job stuffing envelopes (=filling them with letters) at the campaign headquarters. ⇨ ↑sae, ↑SASE
2. a layer of something that surrounds something else  
**envelope of**
  - an envelope of gases around the planet
3. **push the envelope** *especially American English* to try to go beyond the normal limits of something:
  - a musician who pushes the envelope of improvisation
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### COLLOCATIONS

#### ■ verbs

- **open an envelope** I opened the envelope, pulled out the document and read it.
- **tear/rip open an envelope** (=open it quickly and roughly) My fingers trembled as I tore open the envelope.
- **slit open an envelope** (=open it by cutting it) I quickly slit open the envelope.
- **seal an envelope** (=close it) She sealed the envelope and stuck on a stamp.
- **stuff envelopes** (=to put letters or documents into many envelopes, for example as part of a political campaign) We need volunteers to stuff envelopes and deliver leaflets.

#### ■ adjectives

- **a pre-paid/stamped-addressed envelope** (=with a stamp/a stamp and an address already on it) A copy of the rules can be obtained by sending a stamped-addressed envelope to the above address.
- **a self-addressed envelope** (=one with your own name and address on) Enclose a self-addressed envelope with your application form.
- **a brown/white etc envelope** There was a large brown envelope on his desk.
- **a manila envelope** (=made from strong brown paper)
- **a sealed envelope** (=one that is firmly closed) The contract was delivered by special messenger in a sealed envelope.

#### ■ phrases

- **on the back of an envelope** (=used to describe a calculation or plan that is written down quickly on any available small piece of paper) She scribbled a few ideas on the back of an envelope.

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Frequency Pack

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