

**owl**

1. [aʊl] *n*
  1. *зоол.* сова, сыч, филин (*Strigiformes*)
  2. глупец; чванливый дурак  
don't be such a silly owl - не будь таким дураком
  3. полночник, сова  
night owl - *амер.* полночник; ночной гуляка  
owl car - *амер. разг.* а) ночной трамвай; б) ночное такси  
◇ as stupid as an owl - ≅ глуп как пробка  
as blind as an owl - ≅ слепая курица  
to fly with the owl - вести ночной образ жизни  
to carry /to send/ owls to Athens - ≅ воды морю прибавлять; дрова в лес возить
2. [aʊl] *v дуал.*
  1. вести ночной образ жизни
  2. бродить в темноте

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**owl** [aʊl oʊls] *BrE* [aʊl] <sup>m</sup> *NAmE* [aʊl] <sup>m</sup> *noun*

a ↑bird of prey (= a bird that kills other creatures for food) with large round eyes, that hunts at night. **Owls** are traditionally thought to be wise

- An owl hooted nearby.

**see also** ↑barn owl, ↑night owl, ↑tawny owl

Word Origin:

Old English *ūle*, of Germanic origin; related to Dutch *uil* and German *Eule*, from a base imitative of the bird's call.

Example Bank:

- I was a night owl when I was younger, but these days I'd rather go to bed early.
- Owls prey on small rodents.

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[Language: Old English; Origin: ule]



a bird with large eyes that hunts at night

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