

hedge**1. [hedʒ] n****1. (живая) изгородь**

quickset /green/ hedge - живая изгородь

dead hedge - плетень

flowery [prickly] hedge - цветущая [колючая] изгородь

hedge bill /hook/ - садовый нож, секатор

hedge shears /clippers/ - ножницы для подрезания живой изгороди; садовые ножницы

hedge trimmer - машинка для подстригания живой изгороди

hedge plants - придорожные растения, растения для живых изгородей

to trim a hedge - подстригать живую изгородь

2. ограда, забор**3. 1) преграда, препятствие**

hedges of policemen - цепи полицейских

2) рамки; ограничение

a hedge of etiquette - рамки этикета

a hedge of convention - оковы условностей

4. компенсационная сделка, страховка, гарантия, заключение двойного пари

a hedge against inflation - гарантия от инфляции

hedge clause - пункт (*контракта*) о гарантиях**5. верша****6. хердель (*конный спорт*)****7. увиливание, уклонение от прямого ответа**

◇ by hedge or by stile - любыми путями, любым способом

over hedge and ditch - напрямик, напрямиком, не разбирая дороги

to sit on the hedge - выжидать; ≅ смотреть, куда ветер подует

to be on the right [wrong] side of the hedge - а) занимать правильную [неправильную] позицию; б) выйти победителем [быть побеждённым]

to come down on the wrong side of the hedge - принять неправильное /неверное/ решение; неправильно поступить

it doesn't grow on every hedge - это не растёт на деревьях, это редкость; такое не часто встретишь

to take a sheet off a hedge - воровать в открытую, грабить среди бела дня

hedges have eyes and walls have ears - ≅ и у стен есть уши

2. [hedʒ] a**1. тайный**

hedge marriage - тайный брак

hedge press - а) подпольная пресса; б) тайная типография

2. *пренебр.* дешёвый, захудалый; третьесортный низкопробный

hedge wine - дрянное вино

hedge tavern - забегаловка

hedge priest /parson/ - а) безграмотный попик; б) бродячий проповедник

hedge writer - писака; литературный подёнщик

hedge lawyer - адвокат, занимающийся тёмными делами

3. [hedʒ] v**1. 1) сажать живую изгородь; обносить живой изгородью**

to hedge a road - обсаживать дорогу кустарником /живой изгородью/

2) подрезать живую изгородь**2. 1) строить ограду, забор; огораживать**

to hedge a field - огораживать поле

2) отгораживать, отделять (*оградой, забором; тж. hedge in, hedge off*)

to hedge a piece of ground - отгородить земельный участок

3. воздвигать, ставить преграды, затруднять

to hedge smb.'s path with difficulties - воздвигать препятствия на чьём-л. пути

4. *разг.* (against)**1) заключать компенсационную сделку, страховать себя (*от рыночной конъюнктуры и т. п.*); заключать двойное пари (*с целью обезопасить себя от проигрыша*)**

he hedged his programme against attack - составляя программу, он старался обезопасить себя от возможных нападков

2) перестраховываться, страховать себя (*от критики, разоблачения и т. п.*)

don't hedge! What's wrong? - не виляй! /говори прямо/ в чём дело?

5. 1) увиливать, уклоняться (*от риска, ответственности, прямого ответа и т. п.*)

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2) проявлять нерешительность, медлить; выжидать**6. прятаться, скрываться****hedge**

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hedge [hedge hedges hedged hedging] noun, verb BrE [hedʒ] ¹ NAmE [hedʒ]**noun**

1. a row of bushes or small trees planted close together, usually along the edge of a field, garden/yard or road

- a privet hedge



2. ~ **against sth** a way of protecting yourself against the loss of sth, especially money
 - to buy gold as a hedge against inflation

Word Origin:

Old English hegg, of Germanic origin; related to Dutch **heg** and German **Hecke**.

Example Bank:

- Establish which boundary hedges are yours, and which belong to a neighbour.
- Trim the hedge and collect the trimmings.
- a thick hawthorn hedge
- I bought gold as a hedge against inflation.

Idiom: †**hedge your bets**

Derived †**hedge against something** ▪ †**hedge somebody in**

verb

1. **intransitive** to avoid giving a direct answer to a question or promising to support a particular idea, etc.
 - Just answer 'yes' or 'no'— and stop hedging.
2. **transitive** ~ **sth** to put a †**hedge** around a field, etc.
3. **transitive, usually passive** ~ **sb/sth (about/around) (with sth) (formal)** to surround or limit sb/sth
 - His religious belief was always hedged with doubt.
 - Their offer was hedged around with all sorts of conditions.

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	hedge
	BrE /hedʒ/
	NAme /hedʒ/
he / she / it	hedges
	BrE /hedʒɪz/
	NAme /hedʒɪz/
past simple, past participle	hedged
	BrE /hedʒd/
	NAme /hedʒd/
-ing form	hedging
	BrE /hedʒɪŋ/
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I. **hedge**¹ /hedʒ/ *BrE* ^ˈ *AmE* ^ˈ **noun** [countable]

[Language: Old English; Origin: hecg]

1. a row of small bushes or trees growing close together, usually dividing one field or garden from another
2. something that protects you against possible problems, especially financial loss

hedge against

Buying a house will be a hedge against inflation.

⇒ **look as if you've been dragged through a hedge backwards** at †**drag**¹(13)

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THESAURUS

■ **areas and structures in a garden**

- **lawn** [countable] an area of short grass in a garden: They were sitting on the front lawn of the house.
- **flowerbed** [countable] an area of ground where you grow flowers: The flowerbeds were well maintained.
- **rockery** [countable] *British English* an area of a garden where there are rocks with small flowers growing between them
- **hedge** [countable] a row of small bushes or trees growing close together, used for dividing one garden from another: a beech hedge
- **vegetable patch/plot** [countable] (also **kitchen garden** *British English*) a part of a garden where you grow vegetables
- **patio** [countable] a flat stone area next to a house, where people sit outside
- **decking** [uncountable] a flat wooden area in a garden, where people can sit
- **pond** [countable] a small area of water in a garden
- **water feature** [countable] a small pool or structure with water running through it, used to make a garden look more attractive

▪ **greenhouse** [countable] a glass building where you can grow plants that need protection from the weather

▪ **shed** [countable] a small wooden building in a garden, where you can store things

II. **hedge** ² *BrE* ² *AmE* ² *verb* (past tense and past participle **hedged**, present participle **hedging**) [intransitive and transitive]

1. to avoid giving a direct answer to a question:

" You're hedging again – have you got the money or haven't you?"

" 'That depends on my partner,' she hedged.

2. **hedge your bets** to reduce your chances of failure or loss by trying several different possibilities instead of one:

" It's a good idea to hedge your bets by applying to more than one college.

hedge against something *phrasal verb*

to try to protect yourself against possible problems, especially financial loss:

" Smart managers will hedge against price increases.

hedge in *phrasal verb* **be hedged in**

1. to be surrounded or enclosed by something:

" The building was hedged in by trees.

2. if you feel hedged in by something, you feel that your freedom is restricted by it

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