

1. [strɔ:] n**1. солома**

a house thatched with straw - дом с соломенной крышей

2. соломинка (естественная или пластмассовая)

to drink smth. through a straw - пить что-л. через соломинку

3. соломка (материал для шляп и т. п.)

to braid straw - плести соломку

4. соломенная шляпа

a man in a white straw - человек в белой соломенной шляпе

5. пустяк, мелочь

not worth a straw - ничего не стоит

he doesn't care a straw for ... - ему наплевать на ...

6. палевый, бледно-жёлтый цвет, цвет соломы (мж. straw colour)

◇ a man of straw - а) соломенное чучело; б) ненадёжный /несерьёзный/ человек; в) подставное /фиктивное/ лицо; г)

воображаемый противник; д) довод, выдвигаемый спорящим только для того, чтобы самому его легко опровергнуть

a straw in the wind - намёк, предупреждение, указание

to throw straws against the wind - пытаться угадать господствующую тенденцию, настроение *и т. п.*; ≅ посмотреть, куда ветер дует

to draw straws - тянуть жребий (*на длинную или короткую соломинку*)

to catch /to clutch, to grasp/ at a straw - хвататься за соломинку

to draw /to gather, to pick/ straws - слипаться (*о глазах*)

the last straw - ≅ последняя капля; предел терпения

it is the last straw that breaks the camel's back - *посл.* ≅ последняя капля переполняет чашу

a straw shows which way the wind blows - *посл.* и соломинка показывает, куда дует ветер; и мелочь порой имеет большое значение

2. [strɔ:] a**1) соломенный**

straw bed /mattress/ - соломенный тюфяк

straw hat - соломенная шляпа

straw skep - *с.-х.* соломенный улей

2) = straw-coloured

straw colour - палевый /бледно-жёлтый соломенный/ цвет

3) ненадёжный, сомнительный

straw bail - ненадёжное /«липовое»/ поручительство

straw

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straw [straw straws] BrE [strɔ:]^а NAmE [strɔ:]^а noun

1. uncountable ↑stems of ↑wheat or other grain plants that have been cut and dried. **Straw** is used for making ↑mats, hats, etc, for packing things to protect them, and as food for animals or for them to sleep on

• a mattress filled with straw

• a straw hat

compare ↑hay

2. countable a single ↑stem or piece of **straw**

• He was leaning over the gate chewing on a straw.

3. (also 'drinking straw) a thin tube of plastic or paper that you suck a drink through

more at make bricks without straw **at** ↑brick *n.*, draw the short straw draw straws **at** ↑draw *v.*

Idioms: ↑grasp at straws ▪ ↑last straw ▪ ↑straw in the wind ▪ ↑straw that breaks the camel's back

See also: ↑drinking straw

Word Origin:

Old English strēaw, of Germanic origin; related to Dutch **stroo** and German **Stroh**, also to ↑strew.

Example Bank:

• She drank her milkshake through a straw.

• The animals sleep on straw.

• The rat hid in the straw.

straw

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straw S3 /strɔː/\$ strɔː/ BrE^а AmE^а noun

[Language: Old English; Origin: streaw]



straw hat

1.
 - a) [uncountable] the dried stems of wheat or similar plants that animals sleep on, and that are used for making things such as baskets, hats etc ⇒ **hay**:
* a straw hat
 - b) [countable] a single dried stem of straw

2.



[countable] a thin tube of paper or plastic for sucking up liquid from a bottle or a cup:

* She sipped her lemonade through a straw.

3. **the last straw** (also **the straw that breaks the camel's back**) the last problem in a series of problems that finally makes you give up, get angry etc:

* Making me work late on Friday was the last straw.

4. **be clutching/grasping at straws** to be trying everything you can to succeed, even though the things you are doing are not likely to help or work

5. **straw in the wind** *British English* a sign of what might happen in the future:

* There have been a few straws in the wind suggesting things might be getting a little better.

6. **straw man** *American English* a weak opponent or imaginary argument that can easily be defeated

⇒ **draw the short straw** at [↑]draw¹(29)

straw

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