

## skim

I

1. [skim] *n*
  1. снятие (*пены, накипи и т. п.*)
  2. = skim milk
  3. тонкая плёнка (*на поверхности чего-л.*)
2. [skim] *v*
  - 1) снимать (*пену, накипь и т. п.*; *тж.* skim off)
    - to skim milk - снимать сливки /пенки/ с молока
    - to skim the cream from /off/ the milk - снять сливки с молока [*ср. тж.* ◇]
    - to skim soup of its scum - снимать пену с супа
  - 2) *тех.* сгребать шлак
  2. 1) покрывать тонкой плёнкой
    - a pond skimmed (over) with ice - пруд, затянутый тонким льдом
    - the liquid was skimmed over with a film - жидкость покрылась плёнкой
  - 2) *амер.* наносить последний слой штукатурки
  3. *с.-х.* снимать дернину
    - ◇ to skim the cream off - снимать сливки, брать лучшее [*ср. тж.* 1, 1)]

II

1. [skim] *n*
  - лёгкое скольжение; скольжение по поверхности
2. [skim] *v*
  1. 1) легко и плавно скользить; нестись, едва касаясь поверхности
    - a skater skims the ice - конькобежец плавно скользит по льду
    - he seems to skim the ground - он бежит, словно не касаясь земли
    - the bicycle skimmed along the road - велосипед нёсся по дороге
    - to skim the surface - *спорт.* скользить по поверхности воды
  - 2) (*обыкн.* over) проноситься над поверхностью, не касаясь её
    - to skim the bar - *спорт.* переходить планку вплотную (*при прыжке*)
    - a bird is skimming (over) the sea [the ground] - птица летает низко над морем [над землёй]
    - the aeroplane skimmed above/over/ the trees - самолёт летел почти касаясь верхушек деревьев
2. запускать; бросать (*придавая горизонтальное направление при полёте*)
  - he skimmed a flat stone across the water - он бросил плоский камешек, и камешек запрыгал по воде
  - he skimmed his hat in the air - он подбросил шляпу вверх
3. 1) (*обыкн.* over) поверхностно знакомиться (*с чем-л.*)
  - to skim (over) a subject - подходить поверхностно /относиться несерьёзно/ к предмету
- 2) (*обыкн.* over, through) бегло просматривать
  - to skim over/through/ a book [a document, a letter] - бегло просматривать книгу [документ, письмо]
  - read carefully, do not skim - читай всё, ничего не пропуская

II

[skim] *v прост.*  
утаивать доход (*чтобы не платить налоги*)

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Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

skim [skim skims skimmed skimming] *BrE* [skim] <sup>m</sup> *NAmE* [skim] <sup>m</sup> *verb*

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1. **transitive** to remove fat, cream, etc. from the surface of a liquid
  - ~ **sth off/from sth** Skim the scum off the jam and let it cool.
  - ~ **sth** Skim the jam and let it cool.
2. **intransitive, transitive, no passive** to move quickly and lightly over a surface, not touching it or only touching it occasionally; to make sth do this
  - ~ **along/over, etc. sth** We watched the birds skimming over the lake.
  - (*figurative*) His eyes skimmed over her face.
  - ~ **sth** The speedboat took off, skimming the waves.
  - (*figurative*) This report has barely **skimmed the surface** of the subject.
  - ~ **sth across, over, etc. sth** (*BrE*) Small boys were skimming stones across the water.

**see also** ↑skip
3. **intransitive, transitive** to read sth quickly in order to find a particular point or the main points
  - ~ **through/over sth** He skimmed through the article trying to find his name.
  - ~ **sth** I always skim the financial section of the newspaper.
4. **transitive ~ sth (from sth)** (*informal*) to steal small amounts of money frequently over a period of time
  - She'd been skimming money from the store's accounts for years.
5. **intransitive, transitive ~ (sth)** to illegally copy electronic information from a credit card in order to use it without the owner's permission
  - It is estimated that skimming now accounts for almost 50% of credit card fraud.

**Derived** ↑skim somebody off

**Verb forms:**

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	skim
	BrE /skɪm/
	NAme /skɪm/
he / she / it	skims
	BrE /skɪmz/
	NAme /skɪmz/
past simple, past participle	skimmed
	BrE /skɪmd/
	NAme /skɪmd/
-ing form	skimming
	BrE /skɪmɪŋ/
	NAme /skɪmɪŋ/

**Word Origin:**

Middle English (in the sense 'remove scum from (a liquid)'): back-formation from skimmer, or from Old French *escumer*, from *escume* 'scum, foam'.

**Example Bank:**

- We skimmed across the water in a small sailing boat.
- I scanned/skimmed the list until I found my name.

**skim**

Longman DOCE 5th Ed. (En-En)

**skim** /skɪm/ BrE <sup>ˈ</sup> AmE <sup>ˈ</sup> verb (past tense and past participle **skimmed**, present participle **skimming**)

[Date: 1400-1500; Origin: Perhaps from scum 'to remove scum' (14-19 centuries), from scum (noun)]

1. **[transitive]** to remove something from the surface of a liquid, especially floating fat, solids, or oil

**skim something off/from something**

After simmering the meat, skim the fat from the surface.

2. **[intransitive and transitive]** to read something quickly to find the main facts or ideas in it **SYN scan**:

Julie skimmed the sports page.

**skim through/over**

Just skim through the second section to save time.

3. **[transitive]** to move along quickly over a surface, never touching it or not touching it often:

seagulls skimming the waves

**skim over/along/across**

The ball skimmed across the grass and stopped against the wall.

4. **skim stones/pebbles etc British English** to throw smooth flat stones into a lake, river etc in a way that makes them jump across the surface **SYN skip American English**

**skim somebody/something ↔ off phrasal verb**

1. to take the best people or the best part of something for yourself:

Professional sport skims off all the best players.

2. to take money illegally or dishonestly:

For years his business partner had been skimming off the profits.

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