

towel

1. [ˈtəʊəl] *n*

1. полотенце

- clean towel - чистое полотенце
- bath towel - купальное полотенце
- dish towel - кухонное полотенце
- Turkish towel - махровое полотенце
- paper towel - бумажное полотенце
- to dry /to rub, to wipe/ with a towel - а) вытереть полотенцем б) вытираться полотенцем

2. *уст.* салфетка

3. *церк. уст.* покрывало для жертвенника; престольный покров

- ◇ sanitary towel - гигиеническая подушечка
- lead towel - *сл.* пуля
- oaken towel - *сл.* дубинка
- to throw /to toss/ in the towel - сдаться, признать себя побеждённым

2. [ˈtəʊəl] *v*

- 1. 1) вытереть полотенцем
- 2) вытираться полотенцем
- 2. *сл.* бить, хлестать

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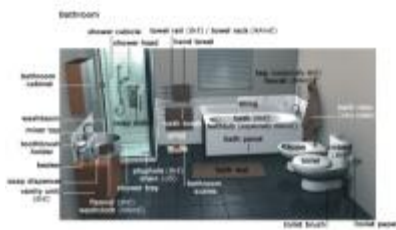
towel [towel towels towelled toweled towelling toweling] *noun, verb BrE*

[ˈtəʊəl] ^{us} *NAmE* [ˈtəʊəl] ^{us}

noun

a piece of cloth or paper used for drying things, especially your body

- Help yourself to a clean towel.
- a **hand/bath towel** (= a small/large towel)
- a **beach towel** (= a large towel used for lying on in the sun)
- a **kitchen towel** (= a piece of paper from a roll that you use to clean up liquid, etc. in the kitchen)



see also ↑paper towel, ↑sanitary towel, ↑tea towel

Word Origin:

Middle English: from Old French *toaille*, of Germanic origin. The current sense of the verb dates from the mid 19th cent.

Example Bank:

- He had a towel draped across his shoulders.
- Several towels hung over the side of the bath.
- a heated towel rail/rack
- a paper towel dispenser

Idiom: ↑throw in the towel

verb (-ll-, NAmE also -l-) ~ yourself/sb/sth (down)

to dry yourself/sb/sth with a towel

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	towel
	BrE / ˈtəʊəl/
	NAmE / ˈtəʊəl/
he / she / it	towels
	BrE / ˈtəʊəlz/
	NAmE / ˈtəʊəlz/
past simple, past participle	towelled (NAmE also) toweled
	BrE / ˈtəʊəlɪd/
	NAmE / ˈtəʊəlɪd/
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	BrE / ˈtəʊəlɪŋ/
	NAmE / ˈtəʊəlɪŋ/

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I. **towel**¹ **S3** /'taʊəl/ *BrE* ^u *AmE* ^u *noun* [countable]
 [Date: 1200-1300; Language: Old French; Origin: toaille]



a piece of cloth that you use for drying your skin or for drying things such as dishes:

^u Have you got a clean towel I could use?

bath/beach/kitchen towel

^u She dried her hands on the kitchen towel.

⇒ ^upaper towel, ^usanitary pad, ^utea towel, ⇒ **throw in the towel** at **THROW IN**(3)

II. **towel**² *BrE* ^u *AmE* ^u (also **towel down/off**) *verb* (past tense and past participle **towelled**, present participle **towelling** *British English*, **toweled**, **toweling** *American English*) [transitive]

to dry yourself using a towel:

^u He stood in the doorway, towelling his hair dry.

⇒ ^utowelling

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Frequency Pack

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RANGE: **3k** TOWEL ⁸⁴⁸⁷

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COCA 500k Unlemmatized

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