

loaf

I

1. [ləʊf] *n* (*pl loaves*)
 - 1) каравай, буханка хлеба; булка
 - 2) *ист.*, *библ.* хлеб
the loaf has risen [fallen] in price - хлеб подорожал [подешевел]
loaves and fishes - а) земные блага; б) *библ.* хлебы и рыбы
2. мясной хлеб (*колбасное изделие*)
veal loaf - рулет из телятины
tongue loaf - языковый хлеб
souse loaf - зельц
3. голова сахару
4. кочан (*капусты, салата*)
5. *сл.* голова
use your loaf - пошевелите мозгами
◇ half a loaf is better than no bread - ≅ лучше полхлеба, чем ничего

2. [ləʊf] *v*
образовать кочан (*о капусте, салате и т. п.*)

II

1. [ləʊf] *n*
ничего неделание, праздность
to have a loaf - бездельничать
2. [ləʊf] *v*
бездельничать, зря терять время, заниматься пустяками, слоняться, шататься без дела (*мж.* loaf about)
to loaf away one's time - ничего не делать, даром время терять
to loaf through life - (про)бездельничать всю жизнь

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Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

loaf [loaf loaves] *noun, verb* *BrE* [ləʊf] ^ˈ *NAmE* [loʊf] ^ˈ
noun (*pl. loaves* *BrE* [ləʊvz] ^ˈ ; *NAmE* [loʊvz] ^ˈ)

an amount of bread that has been shaped and baked in one piece

- a loaf of bread
- Two white loaves, please.
- a sliced loaf

see also ↑cottage loaf, ↑French loaf, ↑meat loaf, **see** half a loaf is better than no bread **at** ↑half *det.*, use your loaf **at** ↑use *v.*

Word Origin:

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- v.* mid 19th cent. ↑loafer

Example Bank:

- Remove the crusts from a small sliced loaf.

verb intransitive ~ (about/around) (informal)

to spend your time not doing anything, especially when you should be working

Syn: ↑hang about

- A group of kids were loafing around outside.

Verb forms:

| verb forms | |
|------------------------------|----------------------|
| present simple | |
| I / you / we / they | loaf |
| | <i>BrE</i> /lɒs/ |
| | <i>NAmE</i> /loʊf/ |
| he / she / it | loafs |
| | <i>BrE</i> /lɒfs/ |
| | <i>NAmE</i> /loʊfs/ |
| past simple, past participle | loafed |
| | <i>BrE</i> /lɒft/ |
| | <i>NAmE</i> /loʊft/ |
| -ing form | loafing |
| | <i>BrE</i> /lɒfɪŋ/ |
| | <i>NAmE</i> /loʊfɪŋ/ |

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[Language: Old English; Origin: hlaf]



1. [countable] bread that is shaped and baked in one piece and can be cut into ↑slices:

▪ a loaf of bread

white/wholemeal/granary etc loaf *British English*

a sliced loaf *British English*

2. [uncountable and countable] food that has been cut into very small pieces, pressed together, and baked:

▪ a meat loaf

3. **use your loaf** *British English old-fashioned* used to tell someone to think more carefully about what they are doing

II. loaf² *BrE* ▪ *AmE* ▪ verb [intransitive]

[Date: 1800-1900; Origin: Probably from loafe]

written to spend time somewhere and not do very much **SYN hang around/round**

loaf around/about

▪ They spend all day loafing around on street corners.

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