

crumb1. [krʌm] *n*

1. 1) частица (чего-л.)

2) крошка (*особ.* хлеба)

3) крупица

crumbs of information - обрывки сведений

crumbs of knowledge - крупы знания

a few crumbs of comfort - некоторое утешение; несколько утешительных фактов или слов

2. мякиш (хлеба)

3. = crum 1

2. [krʌm] *v*

1. 1) крошить

2) толочь на панировочные сухари

2. обсыпать крошками; обваливать в сухарях

3. *разг.* сметать крошки

to crumb the table - сметать со стола крошки

4. *амер. сл.* портитьto crumb the deal - сорвать сделку, план *и т. п.***crumb**

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crumb [crumb crumbs crumbed crumbing] *BrE* [krʌm] ^ˈ *NAmE* [krʌm] ^ˈ *noun*

1. a very small piece of food, especially of bread or cake, that has fallen off a larger piece

• She stood up and brushed the crumbs from her sweater.

2. a small piece or amount

• a few crumbs of useful information

• The government's only **crumb of comfort** is that their opponents are as confused as they are.Word Origin:

Old English cruma, of Germanic origin; related to Dutch *kruim* and German *Krume*. The final -b was added in the 16th cent., perhaps from *crumble* but also influenced by words such as *dumb*, where the original final -b is retained although no longer pronounced.

Example Bank:

• He didn't even leave any crumbs on his plate.

• I swept away the crumbs.

• She brushed the cake crumbs off the table.

• a few crumbs of bread

• I managed to pick up a few crumbs of useful information.

• The government's only crumb of comfort is that their opponents are as confused as they are.

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Longman DOCE 5th Ed. (En-En)

crumb /krʌm/ *BrE* ^ˈ *AmE* ^ˈ *noun* [countable]

[Language: Old English; Origin: cruma]

1. a very small piece of dry food, especially bread or cake:

• She stood up to brush the crumbs off her uniform.

• Coat with bread crumbs and bake.

2. a very small amount of something

crumb of comfort/hope/affection etc

• There was only one crumb of comfort – Alex hadn't said anything to Jeff.

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THESAURUS■ **a small piece**

▪ **fragment** a small piece that has broken off something, especially something hard: The window shattered, covering them with fragments of glass. | They found fragments of bone.

▪ **crumb** a very small piece of bread, cake etc: There were just a few crumbs left on the plate.

▪ **speck** a piece of something such as dirt or dust which is so small you almost cannot see it: She brushed the specks of dust from the table.

▪ **drop** a very small amount of a liquid: There were drops of blood on the floor. | I felt a drop of rain.

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