

tortoise

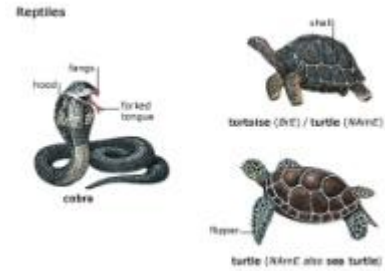
[ˈtɔːtəʊs] *n*

1. **зоол.** черепаха (*Testudinata*)
 freshwater tortoise - пресноводная черепаха
 giant /elephant/ tortoise - гигантская /слоновая/ черепаха
 tortoise family - семейство черепаховых
2. медлительный, малоподвижный человек, черепаха
3. = tortoise shell
4. черепаховый цвет
 ◇ hare and tortoise - упорство, одерживающее верх над талантом
 to set the tortoise to catch the hare - заставить черепаху догонять зайца; ≅ пытаться сделать невозможное
 the tortoise wins the race while the hare is sleeping - **посл.** черепаха выигрывает бег, пока заяц спит

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tor-toise [ˈtɔːtɔɪs] *BrE* [ˈtɔːtəʊs] *AmE* [ˈtɔːrtəʊs] *noun*



a ↑reptile with a hard round shell, that lives on land and moves very slowly. It can pull its head and legs into its shell.
compare ↑terrapin, ↑turtle

Word Origin:

late Middle English tortu, tortuce: from Old French *tortue* and Spanish *tortuga*, both from medieval Latin *tortuca*, of uncertain origin. The current spelling dates from the mid 16th cent.

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[Date: 1400-1500; Language: Old French; Origin: tortue, from Vulgar Latin tartarucha, from Late Latin tartaruchus 'of Tartarus', from Greek tartarouchos, from Tartaros 'Tartarus, the land of the dead in ancient stories'; because it used to be thought that tortoises and turtles came from hell]



a slow-moving land animal that can pull its head and legs into the hard round shell that covers its body ⇒ **turtle**

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