

crutch

1. [krʌtʃ] *n*
 1. костьль
crutch walking - передвижение на костылях
a pair of crutches - костыли
to go on crutches - ходить на костылях
 2. поддержка, опора
the crutch of my declining years - опора моих преклонных лет
 3. 1) *мех.* раздвоенная опора, подпорка; вилка
 - 2) *стр.* упор, подкос
 - 3) *мех.* вильчатая стойка
 - 4) *спорт.* стойка велосипеда, мотоцикла
 4. *мор.* кормовой брештук; уключина
 5. = crotch 3
2. [krʌtʃ] *v*
 1. 1) поддерживать, подпирать (*мж.* crutch up)
old crippled buildings crutched up with posts and logs - старые полуразвалившиеся строения, подпертые столбами и брёвнами
 - 2) помогать, оказывать поддержку
 2. ходить на костылях

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- crutch** [crutch crutches] *BrE* [krʌtʃ] ¹ *NAmE* [krʌtʃ] ¹ **noun**
1. one of two long sticks that you put under your arms to help you walk after you have injured your leg or foot
 - After the accident I spent six months **on crutches** .
 2. (*usually disapproving*) a person or thing that gives you help or support but often makes you depend on them too much
 - High interest rates are merely a crutch for the country's ailing economy.
 - He sees religion as an emotional crutch.
 3. = ↑crotch

Word Origin:
Old English crycc, cryc, of Germanic origin; related to Dutch *kruk* and German *Krücke*.

Example Bank:

- He saw religion as a psychological crutch.
- She can only walk with crutches.
- She uses her work as a psychological crutch.

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- I. **crutch** /krʌtʃ/ \$ kraʊtʃ/ *BrE* ¹ *AmE* ¹ (*also crutch British English*) **noun** [countable]
[Date: 1500-1600; Origin: Probably from crutch]
the part of your body between the tops of your legs, or the part of a piece of clothing that covers this ⇒ **groin**
- II. **crutch** /krʌtʃ/ *BrE* ¹ *AmE* ¹ **noun** [countable]
[Language: Old English; Origin: crycc]



1. [*usually plural*] one of a pair of long sticks that you put under your arms to help you walk when you have hurt your leg
on crutches (=using crutches)
I was on crutches for three months after the operation.
2. something that gives someone support or help, especially something that is not really good for them:
As things got worse at work, he began to use alcohol as a crutch.
3. *British English* the part of your body between the tops of your legs **SYN** crotch

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RANGE: **6k** CRUTCH ¹¹⁶⁹
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