

cloak

1. [kləʊk] *n*
 - 1) накидка, плащ; мантия
 - 2) пальто; манто
 2. 1) маска, личина
under the cloak of charity - под вывеской благотворительности
 - 2) покров
cloak of snow - снежный покров
under the cloak of night - *поэт.* под покровом ночи
2. [kləʊk] *v*
 1. покрывать (плащом)
he cloaked himself and went into the rain - он набросил плащ и вышел на дождь
 2. скрывать, прикрывать, маскировать
he cloaked his wicked purpose by appearing to be friendly - под показным дружелюбием он скрывал свои коварные замыслы

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cloak [cloak cloaks cloaked cloaking] *noun, verb* *BrE* [kləʊk] ^o *NAmE* [kloʊk]

noun

1. **countable** a type of coat that has no sleeves, fastens at the neck and hangs loosely from the shoulders, worn especially in the past
2. **singular** (*literary*) a thing that hides or covers sb/sth
 - They left under the cloak of darkness.
 - The author prefers to hide behind a cloak of anonymity.

Word Origin:

Middle English: from Old French *cloke*, dialect variant of *cloche* 'bell, cloak' (from its bell shape), from medieval Latin *clocca* 'bell'. Compare with ↑**clock**.

Example Bank:

- She stormed off, her cloak flying behind her.
- She threw a heavy cloak over her shoulders.
- a flowing black cloak

Derived Word ↑**cloaked**

verb ~ **sth (in sth) often passive** (*literary*)

to cover or hide sth

- The hills were cloaked in thick mist.
- The meeting was **cloaked in mystery**.

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	cloak
	BrE /kloʊk/
	NAmE /kloʊk/
he / she / it	cloaks
	BrE /kloʊks/
	NAmE /kloʊks/
past simple, past participle	cloaked
	BrE /kloʊkt/
	NAmE /kloʊkt/
-ing form	cloaking
	BrE /kloʊkɪŋ/
	NAmE /kloʊkɪŋ/

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I. **cloak**¹ /kləʊk \$ kloʊk/ *BrE* ^o *AmE* ^o *noun*

[Date: 1200-1300; Language: Old North French; Origin: cloque 'bell, cloak', from Medieval Latin *clocca* 'bell' (⇒ ↑**clock**¹); because of its shape]

1. **[countable]** a warm piece of clothing like a coat without sleeves that hangs loosely from your shoulders
2. **[singular]** an organization, activity, or way of behaving that deliberately protects someone or keeps something secret

cloak of

the cloak of secrecy around the affair

cloak for

The political party is used as a cloak for terrorist activities.

under the cloak of something

prejudice hiding under the cloak of religion

ii. **cloak**² *BrE* ² *AmE* ² *verb* [transitive usually passive]

1. to deliberately hide facts, feelings etc so that people do not see or understand them – used especially in news reports

cloaked in secrecy/mystery

" The talks have been cloaked in secrecy.

2. *literary* to cover something, for example with darkness or snow

cloak in

" hills cloaked in mist

—**cloaked** *adjective*:

" The riders were cloaked (=they wore cloaks).

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