Apresyan (En-Ru) fetish ['fetı∏ n 1. 1) фетищ амулет 2) идол, кумир to make a fetish of smth. - фетишизироватьчто-л. to make a fetish of the past - идеализировать прошлое, возводить прошлое в культ some women make a fetish of clothes - некоторые женщины помешались на тряпках 2. ист. магические обряды и песнопения идолопоклонников Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed. fetish fet-ish [fetish fetishes] BrE ['feti[] NAmE ['fetish noun 1. (usually disapproving) the fact that a person spends too much time doing or thinking about a particular thing · She has a fetish about cleanliness. · He makes a fetish of his work. 2. the fact of getting sexual pleasure from a particular object · to have a leather fetish 3. an object that some people worship because they believe that it has magic powers Derived Words fetishism = fetishist = fetishistic Word Origin: early 17th cent. (originally denoting an object used by the peoples of West Africa as an amulet or charm): from French fétiche, from Portuguese feitico 'charm, sorcery' (originally an adjective meaning 'made by art'), from Latin facticius, from facere 'do, make'. Longman DOCE 5th Ed. (En-En)

fetish

fet ish /'fetr // BrE \* AmE \* noun [countable]

[Date: 1600-1700; Language: French; Origin: fétiche, from Portuguese feitiço 'artificial, false']

1. a desire for sex that comes from seeing a particular type of object or doing a particular activity, especially when the object or activity is considered unusual:

a leather fetish

2. something you are always thinking about or spending too much time doing ⇒ obsession fetish for/about

Sue has a real fetish about keeping everything tidy.

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