

butcher

1. ['bʌtʃə] *n*

- 1. 1) мясник
butcher's meat - мясо
butcher hog - *с.-х.* жирный боров (*от 6 месяцев до 1 года*)
- 2) торговец мясом
pork butcher - торговец свининой, колбасными изделиями *и т. п.*
- 2. безжалостный убийца, палач
- 3. *амер.* продавец, разносчик (*обыкн. в поездах*)
- 4. искусственная муха (*для ловли лососей*)
- 5. неумеха; ≅ сапожник
◇ butcher's bill - *урон.* а) списки погибших на войне; б) военные ассигнования, военные расходы

2. ['bʌtʃə] *v*

- 1. 1) забивать, резать (*скот*)
- 2) разделять мясную тушу *или* рыбу
- 2. безжалостно и бессмысленно убивать; устраивать жестокую резню
to butcher cruelly [unfeelingly] - убивать жестоко [безжалостно]
- 3. *разг.*
1) жестоко раскритиковать
2) испортить, грубо исказить (*литературное произведение*)
3) *амер. сл.* вырезать часть текста, делать купюры, кромсать (*при редактировании*)

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butcher [butcher butchers butchered butchering] *noun, verb* BrE ['bʌtʃə(r)][Ⓜ]

NAmE ['bʌtʃər][Ⓜ]

noun

- 1. a person whose job is cutting up and selling meat in a shop/store or killing animals for this purpose
- 2. **butcher's**(pl. **butchers**) a shop/store that sells meat
• He owns the butcher's in the main street.
- 3. a person who kills people in a cruel and violent way

Word Origin:

Middle English: from an Anglo-Norman French variant of Old French *bochier*, from *boc* 'he-goat', probably of the same ultimate origin as the verb **↑buck**.

Idiom: **↑have a butcher's**

verb

- 1. ~ **sb** to kill people in a very cruel and violent way
- 2. ~ **sth** to kill animals and cut them up for use as meat
- 3. ~ **sth** (*especially NAmE*) to spoil sth by doing it very badly
• The script was good, but those guys butchered it.

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	butcher
	BrE / 'bʌtʃə(r)/
	NAmE / 'bʌtʃər/
he / she / it	butchers
	BrE / 'bʌtʃəz/
	NAmE / 'bʌtʃərz/
past simple, past participle	butchered
	BrE / 'bʌtʃəd/
	NAmE / 'bʌtʃərd/
-ing form	butchering
	BrE / 'bʌtʃərɪŋ/
	NAmE / 'bʌtʃərɪŋ/

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[Date: 1200-1300; Language: Old French; Origin: bouchier, from bouc 'male goat']



1. [countable] someone who owns or works in a shop that sells meat
2. **the butcher's** a shop where you can buy meat
3. [countable] someone who has killed someone else cruelly and unnecessarily, especially someone who has killed a lot of people
4. **have/take a butcher's** *British English spoken informal* to have a look at something

II. **butcher**² *BrE* ² *AmE* ² *verb* [transitive]

1. to kill animals and prepare them to be used as meat
2. to kill someone cruelly or unnecessarily, especially to kill a lot of people
3. *informal* to spoil something by working carelessly:
* That hairdresser really butchered my hair!

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