

**cowboy**['kaʊbɔɪ] *n*

- 1) пастух
- 2) **амер.** ковбой  
cowboy boots - ковбойские сапоги (*на высоком каблуке с пёстрой отделкой по краю голенища*)  
cowboy hat - ковбойская шляпа
2. **разг.**
- 1) безответственный человек; необузданный малый  
cowboy job - **вор. жарг.** а) попытка ограбления, совершённая непрофессионалами б) провал попытки ограбления
- 2) водитель-лихач
3. **сл.** полицейский
4. **амер. сл.** sandwich с омлетом

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**cow·boy** [cowboy cowboys] *BrE* ['kaʊbɔɪ] <sup>ⓘ</sup> *NAmE* ['kaʊbɔɪ] <sup>ⓘ</sup> **noun**

1. a man who rides a horse and whose job is to take care of <sup>↑</sup>cattle in the western parts of the US
  - cowboy boots
2. a man like this as a character in a film/movie about the American West
  - children playing a game of **cowboys and Indians**
3. (*BrE, informal, disapproving*) a dishonest person in business, especially sb who produces work of bad quality or charges too high a price

Culture:

Cowboys were especially important during the late 19th century, when they were needed to drive **cattle** over long distances. They were given a good public image in books and <sup>↑</sup>westerns, and Americans greatly admire their tough outdoor life and independent spirit. They still exist in the western US, and some compete in <sup>↑</sup>rodeos.

See also <sup>↑</sup>cowboys and Indians

Example Bank:

- The children were playing cowboys and Indians in the garden.

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1. in the US, a man who rides a horse and whose job is to care for cattle
2. **British English** someone who is dishonest in business, or who produces very bad quality work:
  - a firm of cowboy builders
3. **cowboys and Indians** a game played by children who fight while pretending to be cowboys and Native Americans

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