coward

1. ['kavəd] n

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cow-ard [coward cowards] BrE ['kaʊəd] * NAmE ['kaʊərd] * noun

(disapproving)

a person who is not brave or who does not have the courage to do things that other people do not think are especially difficult

- You coward! What are you afraid of?
- I'm a real coward when it comes to going to the dentist.
- Derived Word [†]cowardly

Word Origin:

Middle English: from Old French couard, based on Latin cauda 'tail', possibly with reference to a frightened animal with its tail between its legs.

Thesaurus:

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I'm a real coward when it comes to going to the dentist.
informal wimp • • sissy• • chicken • • wuss •
Opp: hero

Opp: nero

You're such a/Don't be a coward/wimp/sissy/chicken/wuss! You coward/wimp/sissy/chicken/wuss!

Example Bank:

• I'm a real coward when it comes to going to the dentist.

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cow ard /'kaued \$ -erd/ BrE AmE noun [countable]

[Date: 1200-1300; Language: Old French; Origin: coart, from coe 'tail'; probably from the idea of an animal with its tail between its legs]

someone who is not at all brave:

Try it. Don't be such a coward.

-cowardly adjective:

a cowardly attack on a defenceless man

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