

eel[i:] *n*

1. 1) **зоол.** угорь (*Anguilla anguilla*)
- 2) **разг.** (любая) угреобразная рыба; минога, мурена, бельдюга *и т. п.*
- 3) = eelworm
2. **сл.** конец (верёвки); линёк, плеть

◊ to hold the eel by the tail - браться за трудное дело, пытаться сделать невозможное

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Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

eel [eel eels] *BrE* [iːl] *NAmE* [iːl] noun countable, uncountablea long thin sea or ↑freshwater fish that looks like a snake. There are several types of **eel**, some of which are used for food

- jellied eels

Word Origin:Old English æl, of Germanic origin; related to Dutch **aal** and German **Aal**.**eel**

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[Language: Old English; Origin: æl]

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