

cocoon

1. [kə'ku:n] *n*
КОКОН
2. [kə'ku:n] *v*
 1. делать КОКОН
 2. закутывать
we cocooned ourselves in red blankets - мы закутались в красные одеяла
 3. 1) укрывать чехлами, кожухами (*автомобиль и т. п.*)
 - 2) ставить на консервацию
 4. откладывать на будущее, про запас

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co·cōon [**cocoon cocoons cocooned cocooning**] **noun, verb** BrE [kə'kuːn] ^ˈ

NAme [kə'kuːn] ^ˈ

noun

1. a covering of silk threads that some insects make to protect themselves before they become adults
2. a soft covering that wraps all around a person or thing and forms a protection: (*figurative*) the cocoon of a caring family

Word Origin:

late 17th cent.: from French **cocon**, from medieval Provençal **coucoun** 'eggshell, **cocoon**', diminutive of **coca** 'shell'. The verb dates from the mid 19th cent.

verb usually passive ~ sb/sth (in sth)

to protect sb/sth by surrounding them or it completely with sth

- We were warm and safe, cocooned in our sleeping bags.
- I had a sheltered childhood, cocooned from the world by money and love.

Verb forms:

| verb forms | |
|------------------------------|------------------|
| present simple | |
| I / you / we / they | cocoon |
| | BrE /kə'kuːn/ |
| | NAme /kə'kuːn/ |
| he / she / it | cocoons |
| | BrE /kə'kuːnz/ |
| | NAme /kə'kuːnz/ |
| past simple, past participle | cocooned |
| | BrE /kə'kuːnd/ |
| | NAme /kə'kuːnd/ |
| -ing form | cocooning |
| | BrE /kə'kuːnɪŋ/ |
| | NAme /kə'kuːnɪŋ/ |

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I. **co·cōon**¹ /kə'kuːn/ BrE ^ˈ AmE ^ˈ **noun [countable]**

[Date: 1600-1700; Language: French; Origin: cocon, from Provençal, from coco 'shell']

1. a silk cover that young ↑moths and other insects make to protect themselves while they are growing
2. something that wraps around you completely, especially to protect you

cocoon of

" The baby peered out of its cocoon of blankets.

3. a place or situation in which you feel comfortable and safe, and are protected from anything unpleasant

cocoon of

" She was surrounded by the cocoon of a loving family.

II. **cocoon**² BrE ^ˈ AmE ^ˈ **verb [transitive usually passive]**

to protect or surround someone or something completely, especially so that they feel safe

be cocooned in something

" She was cocooned in a reassuring network of friends and relatives.

" Usually she lay for ages cocooned in her warm bed.

—cocooned adjective:

" a rich cocooned existence

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³¹ **127553**³⁷ *np1*

⁵ **386931**⁵ *nnu*
