

roll

1. [rɒl] *n*
 - 1) рулон
a roll of wall-paper [newsprint] - рулон обоев [газетной бумаги]
 - 2) клубок
 2. 1) свиток
a roll of paper - бумажный свиток
 - 2) что-л. свёрнутое в трубку, трубка, рулон
in a roll - свёрнутый в трубку
roll of oilcloth - рулон клеёнки
roll of carpet - свёрнутый ковёр
a roll of cloth - штука сукна
 - 3) **воен.** скатка
 3. 1) катышек, катыш
roll of butter [of wax] - шарик масла [воска]
a roll of soap - круглый кусок мыла
a roll of tobacco - **спец.** табачный жгут, табак в ролах
 - 2) валик
to wear one's hair in a roll - укладывать волосы валиком
rolls of fat - жировые складки
 - 3) валик пишущей машинки
 4. 1) булочка (**тж.** bread roll)
 - 2) **р/разг.** булочник, пекарь
 - 3) рулет
meat roll - мясной рулет
Swiss roll - швейцарский рулет (*бисквитный с джемом*)
 5. 1) (поимённый) список; реестр; ведомость
the roll of honour - список убитых на войне
to be on the rolls - быть /состоять/ в списках
to call the roll - делать перекличку; вызывать по списку
 - 2) **воен.** именной список личного состава
 - 3) **юр.** официальный список адвокатов
to strike off the roll - лишать адвоката права практики (*путём исключения его из списка адвокатов*)
 - 4) **шотл. юр.** список дел, назначенных к слушанию
 - 5) протокол (*судопроизводства*)
 - 6) (the Rolls) **р/ист.** судебный архив на Парк-Лейн
Master of the Rolls - начальник судебных архивов (*ныне титул главы Государственного архива Великобритании*)
 6. вращение, катание
to have a roll on the grass - валяться на траве
a roll in the hay - **жарг. шутл.** ≅ ночь любви
 7. 1) крен
 - 2) качание, колыхание
the roll of the sea - волнение моря
 - 3) качка; **мор. тж.** бортовая качка
the slow roll of a ship - медленное /слабое/ покачивание корабля
 8. походка вразвалку
he still had a sailor's slight roll - он всё ещё ходил слегка вразвалку /по-матросски/
 9. раскат (*грома и т. п.*)
the distant roll of thunder - отдалённый раскат грома
to pronounce one's ****r's**** with a roll - раскатисто произносить звук «р»
 10. бой барабана; барабанная дробь
 11. волнистая поверхность
the field had a slight roll - поле было не совсем ровным
 12. рукописная книга (**особ. в свитке**)
 13. 1) пачка денег (**тж.** roll of bills)
 - 2) **амер. жарг.** деньги
big roll - большой куш; куча денег
 14. **спорт.**
 - 1) кувырок
back [front] roll - кувырок назад [вперёд]
 - 2) бросок, переворот (*борьба*)
roll landing - пережат после приземления (*лёгкая атлетика*)
 15. **тех.** валок (*прокатного стана*); вал, барабан, цилиндр, ролик, каток
roll dressing - **метал.** калибровка валков
 16. **архит.** завиток ионической капители
 17. **горн.** неровности в кровле угольного пласта
 18. **геол.** антиклиналь
 19. **ав.** бочка, двойной переворот через крыло
 20. **полигр.** рулетка для тиснения рамки

21. мягкая папка (*обыкн. кожаная*)
2. [rɒl] v
- 1) катить
to roll a ball along the ground - катить мяч по земле
to roll tree-trunks down a hill - скатывать брёвна с холма
to roll a barrel up the hill - вкатывать бочку на холм
- 2) катиться
to roll down the hill - скатываться с холма
to roll out of bed - скатиться с кровати
the coin rolled under the table [into a hole] - монета закатилась под стол [в дырку]
he rolled along in his car - он (про)ехал /прокатил/ в (своей) машине
2. 1) вертеть, вращать
to roll one's eyes - вращать глазами
- 2) вертеться, вращаться
planets roll on their courses - планеты вращаются по своим орбитам
3. 1) катать
to roll a marble between one's palms - катать шарик между ладонями
- 2) кататься
to roll on the ground - кататься по земле
to roll in the mud - валяться в грязи
to roll in money - купаться в золоте /в деньгах/
to roll in luxury - жить в роскоши
4. свёртывать, сворачивать, скатывать (*тж. roll up*)
to roll a cigarette - скрутить папиросу
to roll a carpet [a map] - свернуть ковёр [карту]
to roll snow into a ball - скатать снежный ком
to roll wool into a ball - смотать шерсть в клубок
to roll cotton round a reel - намотать бумажную нить на шпульку
the hedgehog [the kitten] rolled itself into a ball - ёж [котёнок] свернулся в клубок
5. завёртывать, заворачивать
to roll smth. in a piece of paper - завернуть что-л. в бумагу
to roll oneself in a blanket [in a rug] - завернуться в одеяло [в плед]
6. 1) качать, колыхать
the sea slowly rolled the ship - море тихо /слабо/ покачивало корабль
- 2) качаться, колыхаться; волноваться (*о море и т. п.*)
7. 1) крениться
- 2) *мор.* испытывать бортовую качку
to roll and pitch - испытывать бортовую и килевую качку
8. ходить покачиваясь *или* вразвалку
to roll in one's gait - ходить вразвалку
9. 1) плавно течь, катить свои волны; струиться
a river rolls its waters to the sea - река несёт свои воды в море
- 2) клубиться (*о дыме и т. п.*)
10. быть холмистым, неровным (*о местности*)
the plain stretched rolling to the west - к западу простиралась холмистая равнина
11. 1) греметь, грохотать
the thunder rolled heavily - глухо прогремел гром
the drums rolled - зарокотали барабаны, послышался барабанный бой
- 2) произносить раскатисто, громко
to roll one's 'r's' - раскатисто произносить звук «р»
- 3) звучать
the organ rolled forth its stately welcome - торжественно и приветственно зазвучал орган
- 4) выбивать дробь (*на барабанах*)
12. раскатывать (*тесто*)
to roll paste for pies - раскатывать тесто для пирогов
13. *полигр.* накатывать
14. *амер.* продвигаться, двигаться вперёд
15. *амер. сл.*
- 1) грабить (*пьяного или спящего*)
- 2) совершать уличное ограбление
16. 1) прикатывать, укатывать (*почву, поле*)
the tennis-court needs rolling - теннисную площадку нужно укатать
- 2) трамбовать катком (*шоссе*)
17. прокатывать (*металл*); вальцевать, плющить
18. *преим. кино, тлв.* запускать; готовить к действию
to roll the cameras - включить камеры
roll film! let'em roll! - начали! (*команда начать съёмку*)

◇ to roll logs for smb. - делать тяжёлую работу за кого-л.

rolled into one - а) совмещённый, комбинированный; б) единый в двух лицах

to roll the bones - *амер.* играть в кости

roll

roll [roll rolls rolled rolling] noun, verb *BrE* [rɒl] ¹⁴ *NAmE* [roul] ¹⁴

noun



OF PAPER/CLOTH, ETC.

1. countable ~ (of sth) a long piece of paper, cloth, film, etc. that has been wrapped around itself or a tube several times so that it forms the shape of a tube

- a roll of film
- Wallpaper is sold in rolls.

see also ↑toilet roll

OF SWEETS/CANDY

2. countable ~ (of sth) (*NAmE*) a paper tube wrapped around sweets/candy, etc

- a roll of mints

BREAD

3. (also ,bread 'roll) **countable** a small ↑loaf of bread for one person

- Soup and a roll: £3.50
- a **chicken/cheese, etc. roll** (= filled with chicken/cheese, etc.)

compare ↑bun

see also ↑sausage roll, ↑spring roll, ↑Swiss roll

OF BODY

4. singular an act of rolling the body over and over

- The kittens were enjoying a roll in the sunshine.

5. countable a physical exercise in which you roll your body on the ground, moving your back and legs over your head

- a **forward/backward roll**

OF SHIP/PLANE

6. uncountable the act of moving from side to side so that one side is higher than the other

compare ↑pitch _{n.} ⁽⁸⁾

OF FAT

7. countable an area of too much fat on your body, especially around your waist

- Rolls of fat hung over his belt.

LIST OF NAMES

8. countable an official list of names

- the **electoral roll** (= a list of all the people who can vote in an election)
- The chairman **called/took the roll** (= called out the names on a list to check that everyone was present).

see also ↑payroll

SOUND

9. countable ~ (of sth) a deep continuous sound

- the distant roll of thunder
- a drum roll

OF DICE

10. countable an act of rolling a ↑dice

- The order of play is decided by the roll of a dice.

PHONETICS

11. = ↑trill ⁽³⁾

Word Origin:

Middle English: from Old French *rolle* (noun), *roller* (verb), from Latin *rotulus* 'a roll', variant of *rotula* 'little wheel', diminutive of

rota.

Thesaurus:

roll noun C

• Wallpaper is sold in rolls.

bundle • • **wad** • • **reel** • |especially AmE **spool** •

a roll/bundle/wad/reel/spool of sth

in a roll/bundle/wad/reel/spool

on a roll/reel/spool

Example Bank:

- Eligible voters had been removed from the voting rolls.
- Falling rolls could lead to smaller class sizes.
- He did a forward roll to celebrate his goal.
- He should be struck off the roll of solicitors.
- Her name was engraved on sport's roll of honour.
- I wiped up the milk with a piece of kitchen roll.
- My daughter's grades improved and she made the honor roll.
- Staff evacuated the building and a roll call was taken outside.
- The appeal against the sentence is Beale's last roll of the dice.
- The chairman called the roll.
- The dog had a good roll on the lawn.
- The local authority has 50 000 pupils on roll.
- There are 340 children on the school roll.
- a roll of banknotes/carpet/film
- Around 600 million toilet rolls are sold each year in the UK.
- Drum roll, please!
- Funding to the school will be reduced because of falling rolls.
- I was late for roll-call.
- Lightning flashed across the sky, immediately followed by a deep roll of thunder.
- She pulled a roll of mints out of her purse and offered him one.
- She put the new roll of film in the camera.
- Take five bucks, go to the bank and get a roll of dimes.
- There were several rolls of carpet stacked at the back of the shop.
- Who would appear on your personal roll of honour?
- You can check that you are on the electoral roll by calling this number.
- a roll of dimes/mints

Idioms: ↑let's roll ▪ ↑on a roll ▪ ↑roll in the hay ▪ ↑roll on ...! ▪ ↑roll up your sleeves ▪ ↑roll with the punches ▪ ↑rolled into one ▪ ↑rolling in it ▪ ↑rolling in the aisles ▪ ↑rolling stone gathers no moss

Derived ↑roll around ▪ ↑roll in ▪ ↑roll over ▪ ↑roll somebody over ▪ ↑roll something back ▪ ↑roll something down ▪ ↑roll something out ▪ ↑roll something over ▪ ↑roll something up ▪ ↑roll up

verb



TURN OVER

- 1. intransitive, transitive** to turn over and over and move in a particular direction; to make a round object do this
 - **+ adv./prep.** The ball rolled down the hill.
 - We watched the waves rolling onto the beach.
 - Tears rolled down her cheeks.
 - **~ sth + adv./prep.** Delivery men were rolling barrels across the yard.
- 2. intransitive, transitive** to turn over and over or round and round while remaining in the same place; to make sth do this
 - **(+ adv./prep.)** a dog rolling in the mud
 - Her eyes rolled.
 - **~ sth (+ adv./prep.)** She **rolled her eyes** upwards (= to show surprise or disapproval) .
 - He was rolling a pencil between his fingers.
- 3. intransitive, transitive ~ (sb/sth) over (onto sth) | ~ (sb/sth) (over) onto sth** to turn over to face a different direction; to make sb/sth do this
 - **~ over (onto sth)** She rolled over to let the sun brown her back.
 - **~ onto sth** He rolled onto his back.
 - **~ sb/sth (over) (onto sth)** I rolled the baby over onto its stomach.
 - to **roll a dice/die** (= in a game)

- (especially NAmE) She rolled her car in a 100 mph crash.

MOVE (AS IF) ON WHEELS

4. intransitive, transitive to move smoothly (on wheels or as if on wheels); to make sth do this

- (+ **adv./prep.**) The car began to roll back down the hill.
- The traffic rolled slowly forwards.
- Mist was rolling in from the sea.
- ~ **sth** (+ **adv./prep.**) He rolled the trolley across the room.

MAKE BALL/TUBE

5. transitive, intransitive ~ **(sth) (up) (into sth)** to make sth/yourself into the shape of a ball or tube

- I rolled the string into a ball.
- We rolled up the carpet.
- a rolled-up newspaper
- I always **roll my own** (= make my own cigarettes) .
- The hedgehog rolled up into a ball.

compare ↑unroll

FOLD CLOTHING

6. transitive to fold the edge of a piece of clothing, etc. over and over on itself to make it shorter

- ~ **sth up** Roll up your sleeves.
- ~ **sth + adv./prep.** She rolled her jeans to her knees.

MAKE STH FLAT

7. transitive ~ **sth (out)** to make sth flat by pushing sth heavy over it

- Roll the pastry on a floured surface.

WRAP UP

8. transitive ~ **sb/sth/yourself (up) in sth** to wrap or cover sb/sth/yourself in sth

- Roll the meat in the breadcrumbs.
- He rolled himself up in the blanket.

OF SHIP/PLANE/WALK

9. intransitive, transitive ~ **(sth) (+ adv./prep.)** to move or make sth move from side to side

- He walked with a rolling gait.
- The ship was rolling heavily to and fro.

compare ↑pitch v. (6)

MAKE SOUND

10. intransitive, transitive to make a long continuous sound

- rolling drums
- Thunder rolled.
- ~ **sth to roll your r's** (= by letting your tongue ↑vibrate with each 'r' sound)

MACHINE

11. intransitive, transitive when a machine rolls or sb rolls it, it operates

- They had to repeat the scene because the cameras weren't rolling.
- ~ **sth** Roll the cameras!

more at get/set/start/keep the ball rolling **at** ↑ball n., roll in his/her grave **at** ↑grave¹ n., heads will roll **at** ↑head n., ready to roll **at**

↑ready adj., roll/trip off the tongue **at** ↑tongue n.

Verb forms: verb forms

present simple	
I / you / we /they	roll
	BrE /rɔːl/
	NAmE /roʊl/
he / she /it	rolls
	BrE /rɔːlz/
	NAmE /roʊlz/
past simple, past participle	rolled
	BrE /rɔːld/
	NAmE /roʊld/
-ing form	rolling
	BrE /rɔːlɪŋ/
	NAmE /roʊlɪŋ/

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Thesaurus:

roll verb

1. I, T

- He rolled over onto his back.

turn (sth) over • flip • overturn • tip (sth) over • capsize •

roll/turn/flip/tip sth **over**

roll/overturn a **car**

overturn/capsize a **boat**

2. T, I (usually used with an adverb or preposition)

- I rolled the string into a ball.

wind • wrap sb/sth around/round sb/sth • curl • coil •

Opp: unroll

roll sth/wind sth/curl **into** a ball

roll/curl/coil **up**

Example Bank:

- A tear rolled slowly down her cheek.
- He quickly rolled over and got to his feet.
- He rolled the paper into a tight ball.
- Roll the pastry into a rectangle.
- She carried the magazine tightly rolled up in her hand.
- She lazily rolled her head on the pillow.
- The black car rolled smoothly down the street.
- The boulder easily rolled aside.
- The tigers rolled over and over in the mud.
- Thinly roll out a little icing of each colour.
- A dog was rolling in the mud.
- From the walls a trumpet sounded, a drum rolled and the gate swung open.
- He rolled the trolley across the hall.
- She rolled her eyes upwards.
- Take it in turns to roll the dice.
- Tanks rolled triumphantly into the city.
- The sky had darkened and thunder rolled in the west.
- You have to roll your r's when speaking Spanish.
- I always roll my own.
- It is difficult to swat a fly with a rolled-up newspaper.

See also: [↑bread roll](#) ▪ [↑roll about](#)

roll

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1. **roll**¹ **S1 W2** /rɒl/ \$roul/ *BrE* ^m *AmE* ^m verb

[Word Family: verb: [↑roll](#), [↑unroll](#); noun: [↑roll](#), [↑roller](#); adjective: [↑rolling](#)]

[Date: 1300-1400; Language: Old French; Origin: roller, from Vulgar Latin rotulare, from Latin rotula; ⇔ [↑roll](#)²]

1. ROUND OBJECT [[intransitive](#) [always](#) + [adverb/preposition](#), [transitive](#)] if something rolls, especially something round, or if you roll it, it moves along a surface by turning over and over

roll down/into/through etc

" The ball rolled into the street.

" One of the eggs rolled off the counter.

roll something along/in/onto etc something

" Roll the chicken breasts in flour.

2. PERSON/ANIMAL [[intransitive](#), [transitive](#) [always](#) + [adverb/preposition](#)] (also **roll over**) to turn your body over one or more times while lying down, or to turn someone else's body over

roll down/onto/off etc

" The children rolled down the hill, laughing.

" Ralph rolled onto his stomach.

roll somebody onto/off something

" I tried to roll him onto his side.

3. SHAPE OF TUBE/BALL [[transitive](#)] (also **roll up**) to make something into the shape of a tube or ball

roll something into a ball/tube

" Roll the dough into small balls.

" Would you like the paper rolled or folded?

4. MAKE SOMETHING FLAT [[transitive](#)] to make something flat by rolling something heavy over it ⇔ **rolling pin**:

" Pizza dough should be rolled thinly.

5. CLOTHES [[transitive](#)] (also **roll up**) to fold the sleeves or legs of something that you are wearing upwards, so that they are shorter:

" His sleeves were rolled above his elbows.

6. SOMETHING WITH WHEELS [[intransitive](#), [transitive](#) [always](#) + [adverb/preposition](#)] to move on wheels, or make something that has wheels move

roll into/forwards/past etc

" Her car was slowly rolling away from the curb.

roll something to/around etc something

The waitress rolled the dessert trolley over to our table.

7. **DROP OF LIQUID** [intransitive always + adverb/preposition] to move over a surface smoothly without stopping

roll down/onto etc

" Tears rolled down her cheeks.

8. **WAVES/CLOUDS** [intransitive always + adverb/preposition] to move continuously in a particular direction

roll into/towards etc

" Mist rolled in from the sea.

" We watched the waves rolling onto the beach.

9. **GAME** [intransitive and transitive] if you roll ↑dice, you throw them as part of a game

10. **SOUND** [intransitive] if drums or ↑thunder roll, they make a long low series of sounds:

" Thunderrolled in the distance.

11. **MACHINE/CAMERA** [intransitive] if a machine such as a film camera or a ↑printing press rolls, it operates:

" There was silence as the cameras started to roll.

12. **SHIP/PLANE** [intransitive] if a ship or plane rolls, it leans one way and then another with the movement of the water or air

13. **CIGARETTE** [transitive] to make your own cigarette, using tobacco or ↑marijuana and special paper ⇒ **roll-up**:

" Ben rolled a joint (=a cigarette containing marijuana) and lit it.

" It's cheaper to roll your own (=make your own cigarettes).

14. **SHOULDERS** [transitive] to move your shoulders forward, up, and back down:

" He rolled his shoulders back.

15. **EYES** [transitive] to move your eyes around and up, especially in order to show that you are annoyed or think something is silly:

" Lucy rolled her eyes as Tom sat down beside her.

16. **ATTACK** [transitive] *American English informal* to rob someone, especially when they are drunk and asleep:

" Kids on the streets rolled drunks for small change.

17. **(all) rolled into one** if someone or something is several different things rolled into one, they include or do the work of all those things:

" Mum was cook, chauffeur, nurse, and entertainer all rolled into one.

18. **get (something) rolling** to start happening or make something start happening in a smooth and successful way:

" The business didn't really get rolling until 1975.

" Have a good breakfast to get your day rolling.

19. **be rolling in money/dough/cash/it** to have or earn a lot of money:

" 'He's rolling in it,' said the girl, pointing at Lewis.

20. **be rolling in the aisles** if people in a theatre, cinema etc are rolling in the aisles, they are laughing a lot

21. **be ready to roll** *spoken* to be ready to start doing something:

" The car was packed and we were ready to roll.

22. **let's roll** *spoken* used to suggest to a group of people that you all begin doing something or go somewhere

23. **roll with the punches** to deal with problems or difficulties by doing whatever you need to do, rather than by trying only one method:

" Strong industries were able to roll with the punches during the recession.

24. **roll on something** *British English spoken* used to say that you wish a time or event would come quickly:

" Roll on the weekend!

25. **roll your r's** to pronounce the sound /r/ using your tongue in a way that makes the sound very long

26. **a rolling stone gathers no moss** used to say that someone who often changes jobs, moves to different places etc is not able to have any permanent relationships or duties

⇒ **set/start/keep the ball rolling** at ↑ball¹(5), ⇒ **heads will roll** at ↑head¹(36), ⇒ **let the good times roll** at ↑let¹(20)

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THESAURUS

▪ **push** to make something or someone move by pressing them with your hands, arms etc: Push the door, don't pull it. | She pushed him away and walked out.

▪ **shove** to push someone or something in a rough or careless way: People were shoving to get to the front of the queue. | Tom shoved his suitcase under the bed.

▪ **stuff** *informal* to push something quickly and carelessly into a small space: She stuffed a few clothes into a bag and left.

▪ **poke** to push someone or something with your finger or something sharp: I poked the snake with a stick but it was dead.

▪ **nudge** to push someone beside you gently with your elbow to get their attention: Toby nudged me and pointed out of the window.

▪ **roll** to push something round or something on wheels so that it moves forward: They rolled the logs down the hill. | The car still didn't start so we tried to roll it off the road.

▪ **wheel** to push something with wheels, for example a bicycle or a ↑trolley, so that it moves forward, while guiding it with your hands: Rob wheeled his bike round the back of the house.

roll around (also **roll round** *British English*) *phrasal verb*

if a time, event etc that happens regularly rolls around, it arrives or takes place again:

" By the time Wednesday rolled around, I still hadn't finished.

roll something ↔ **back** *phrasal verb*

1. to reduce the influence or power of a law, system, government etc:

" a threat to roll back the legislation of the past 12 years

2. *especially American English* to reduce a price, cost etc:

" the administration's promise to roll back taxes ⇒ ↑rollback

3. to force your opponents in a war to move back from their position

4. **roll back the years** *British English* to make someone remember something from the past:

" Looking at those old photos really rolled back the years.

roll something ↔ down phrasal verb

1. **roll a window down** to open a car window
2. to unfold the ends of your sleeves or trouser legs so that they are their usual length:
 - He rolled down his sleeves and buttoned the cuffs.

roll in phrasal verb

1. to happen or arrive in large numbers or quantities:
 - As the result of our appeal, the money came rolling in.
2. to arrive, especially later than usual or expected:
 - Chris finally rolled in at about 4:00 am.
3. if mist, clouds etc roll in, they begin to cover an area of the sky or land:
 - Fog rolled in from the sea.

roll out phrasal verb

1. **roll something ↔ out** to make food that you are preparing flat and thin by pushing a ↑rolling pin over it:
 - Roll out the dough on a floured surface.
2. **roll something ↔ out** to make a new product available for people to buy or use **SYN launch**:
 - The company expects to roll out the new software in September. ⇒ ↑roll-out
3. to leave a place, especially later than expected

roll out of

- We used to hear people rolling out of the pubs at closing time.
- He finally rolled out of bed at noon.

4. **roll something ↔ out** to put something flat on the ground or a surface, when it was previously rolled into a tube shape:
 - We rolled out our sleeping bags under the stars.
5. **roll out the red carpet** to make special preparations for an important visitor

roll (somebody) over phrasal verb

- to turn your body over once so that you are lying in a different position, or to turn someone's body over:
- Ben rolled over and kissed her.

roll (somebody) over onto

- The guards rolled him over onto his front.

roll up phrasal verb

1. to make something into the shape of a tube or ball, or to become this shape

roll something ↔ up

- Painters arrived and rolled up the carpet.

roll up into

- Many animals roll up into a ball for warmth.

2. **roll your sleeves/trousers etc up** to turn the ends of your sleeves or trouser legs over several times so that they are shorter
3. **roll your sleeves up** to start doing a job even though it is difficult or you do not want to do it:
 - It's time to roll up our sleeves and get some work done on the basics.
4. **roll a window up** to close the window of a car
5. to arrive somewhere, especially late or when you were not expected:
 - Max rolled up just after 9 o'clock.
6. **roll up!** *British English spoken* used to call people to come and watch or buy things at a ↑circus or ↑fair

II. roll² BrE AmE noun [countable]

[Word Family: verb: ↑roll, ↑unroll; noun: ↑roll, ↑roller; adjective: ↑rolling]

[Sense 1-3, 6: Date: 1100-1200; Language: Old French; Origin: rolle 'rolled-up document', from Latin rotula, from rota; ⇒ ↑rotate]

[Sense 4-5, 7-10: Date: 1600-1700; Origin: ⇒ ↑roll¹]

1. **PAPER/FILM/MONEY ETC** a piece of paper, camera film, money etc that has been rolled into the shape of a tube

roll of

- I used up three rolls of film on holiday.
- There's a new roll of silver foil in there.
- wallpaper costing £3 a roll ⇒ ↑kitchen roll, ↑toilet roll

2. **BREAD** a small round ↑loaf of bread for one person ⇒ **bun**:

- hot soup served with crusty rolls
- bread rolls with butter

ham/cheese etc roll *British English* (=one that is filled with ham, cheese etc)

3. **LIST OF NAMES** an official list of names **SYN register**

on the roll British English:

- a school with 300 pupils on the roll

call/take the roll (=say the list of names to check who is there)

- The teacher called the roll.
- Three senators missed the roll call.

the electoral roll *British English* the (voter)rolls *American English* (=a list of the people who are allowed to vote)

welfare rolls *American English* (=a list of people without jobs who claim money from the state)

- Thompson said he had cut welfare rolls by 39%. ⇒ ↑roll of honour, ↑honor roll

4. **be on a roll** *informal* to be having a lot of success with what you are trying to do:

- Midvale High was on a roll, having won their last six basketball games.

5. **GAME** the action of throwing ↑dice as part of a game:

- If you get a 7 or 11 on your first roll, you win.

6. **SKIN/FAT** a thick layer of skin or fat, usually just below your waist

roll of

the rolls of fat on her stomach

7. PHYSICAL MOVEMENT

a) **British English** a movement in which you roll forward or back in a controlled way with your body curled so that your head is near your feet, often done as part of a sport **SYN somersault**:

a forward roll

gymnasts doing rolls and handsprings

b) **especially British English** the action of turning your body over one or more times while lying down:

a young horse having a roll in the field

8. **DRUMS/GUNS/THUNDER** a long low fairly loud sound made by drums etc:

There was a roll of thunder, and the rain started pelting down.

a drum roll

9. **SHIP/PLANE** the movement of a ship or plane when it leans from side to side with the movement of the water or air

10. **a roll in the hay** *old-fashioned informal* when you have sex with someone – used humorously

⇒ ↑rock 'n' roll, ↑sausage roll, ↑spring roll, ↑Swiss roll

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- **record** information about something that is written down: your medical records | the public records office | I have to keep a record of all my spending when I'm travelling on business.
- **file** a set of written records, or information stored on a computer under a particular name: He began reading the file on the case. | I think I may have accidentally deleted the file.
- **accounts** (also **books informal**) an exact record of the money that a company has received and spent: Companies are required by law to publish their annual accounts. | Someone had been falsifying the accounts. | The company's books all seemed to be in order.
- **ledger** one of the official books in which a company's financial records are kept, which show how much it has received and spent: The costs have been moved from one column of the ledger to another.
- **minutes** an official written record of what is said and decided at a meeting: Both points are mentioned in the minutes of the last meeting on August 3rd.
- **diary** a book in which you regularly write down the things that have happened to you: In his diary he wrote, 'It's lovely having him here, we've had so many cosy talks.' | I'll just check in my diary to see if I'm free.
- **blog** a web page on the Internet on which someone regularly writes about their life, opinions, or a particular subject: I may not always agree with David, but I always read his blog.
- **register** an official list of names of people, organizations etc: Guests must sign the hotel register. | the national register of births, deaths, and marriages | Lloyds Register of Shipping
- **roll** an official list of names, especially of people who are allowed to do something such as vote or be in a class at school: the electoral roll (=list of people who can vote in an area) | The teacher called the roll (=read out the list of the names of the students, who then have to say if they are present).
- **log** an official record that is kept on a ship or plane: Mr Appleby said he complained to a senior officer, who made a note in the ship's log.

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