

slaughter

- [ˈslɔ:tə] *n*
 - забой, убой (*скота*)
for slaughter - на убой
 - (массовое) убийство; резня; бойня, кровопролитие; избиение
slaughter of civilian population - массовые убийства гражданского населения
fratricidal slaughter - братоубийственная бойня
indiscriminate slaughter - огульная расправа
wholesale slaughter - резня, массовая расправа
the slaughter on the roads - массовые человеческие жертвы в результате несчастных случаев на дорогах
 - (the slaughter) *редк.* убийте; потери; жертвы
◇ the slaughter of the innocents - а) *библ.* избиение младенцев; б) *парл. жарг.* отмена рассмотрения законопроекта ввиду недостатка времени (*в конце парламентской сессии*)
- [ˈslɔ:tə] *v*
 - забивать, резать (*скот*)
 - совершать массовое убийство; безжалостно убивать; устраивать резню, кровопролитие
 - амер. разг.* разбивать в пух и прах
they slaughtered our team - они разгромили нашу команду
 - амер. разг.* продавать себе в убыток
 - подрезать (*мяч; в теннисе*)

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Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

slaugh-ter [slaughter slaughters slaughtered slaughtering] *noun, verb BrE*

[ˈslɔ:tə(r)] *NAme* [ˈslɔ:tə]

noun uncountable

- the killing of animals for their meat
 - cows taken for slaughter
- the cruel killing of large numbers of people at one time, especially in a war

Syn: ↑massacre

• the wholesale slaughter of innocent people

see (like) a lamb/lambs to the slaughter **at** ↑lamb *n.*

Word Origin:

Middle English (as a noun): from Old Norse *slátr* 'butcher's meat'; related to ↑slay. The verb dates from the mid 16th cent.

Example Bank:

- We were helpless to stop the slaughter.
- federal legislation to ban horse slaughter
- humane forms of animal slaughter
- the horrors of civil war and the slaughter of innocents
- the indiscriminate slaughter of civilians
- the transporting of live horses for slaughter
- They told us of the wholesale slaughter of innocent people.

verb

- ~ **sth** to kill an animal, usually for its meat
Syn: ↑butcher
• The lambs are taken to the local abattoir to be slaughtered.
- ~ **sb/sth** to kill a large number of people or animals violently
Syn: ↑massacre
• Men, women and children were slaughtered and villages destroyed.
- ~ **sb/sth** (*informal*) to defeat sb/sth by a large number of points in a sports game, competition, etc
• We were slaughtered 10–1 by the home team.

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	slaughter
	BrE / ˈslɔ:tə(r)/
	NAme / ˈslɔ:tə(r)/
he / she / it	slaughters
	BrE / ˈslɔ:təz/
	NAme / ˈslɔ:təz/
past simple, past participle	slaughtered
	BrE / ˈslɔ:təd/
	NAme / ˈslɔ:təd/
-ing form	slaughtering
	BrE / ˈslɔ:tərɪŋ/
	NAme / ˈslɔ:tərɪŋ/

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Example Bank:

- Hundreds of innocent civilians were cruelly slaughtered.
- The animals are all humanely slaughtered.
- Thousands of birds were slaughtered for their feathers.
- Thousands of people were systematically slaughtered by their oppressors.
- elephants illegally slaughtered by poachers

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I. **slaughter**¹ /'slɒtə/\$ 'slɒtə/ *BrE* ^{AmE} *verb* [transitive]

1. to kill an animal, especially for its meat
2. to kill a lot of people in a cruel or violent way **SYN** *butcher*:
" Hundreds of innocent civilians had been slaughtered by government troops.
3. *informal* to defeat an opponent in a sport or game by a large number of points **SYN** *hammer* :
" We got slaughtered, 110-54.
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■ to kill a large number of people

- **massacre** to kill a large number of people in a violent way: Thousands of peaceful demonstrators were massacred by the soldiers.
- **slaughter** to kill a large number of people in a violent way. **Slaughter** is also used about killing animals for food: The army slaughtered thousands of civilians in an effort to stop the revolt. | The pigs were slaughtered on the farm.
- **exterminate** to kill large numbers of a particular group, so that they no longer exist: Hitler's goal was to exterminate the Jews.

II. **slaughter**² *BrE* ^{AmE} *noun* [uncountable]

[Date: 1200-1300; Language: Old Norse; Origin: slatr 'meat, killing animals for meat']

1. when people kill animals, especially for their meat:
" the export of live animals for slaughter
2. when large numbers of people are killed in a cruel or violent way:
" the slaughter of defenceless women and children

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