

[kɑ:v] **v**

1. 1) вырезать, резать (*по дереву, кости*; *тж.* carve out)
 carved in ivory - вырезанный из слоновой кости
 the chest is finely carved - шкатулка украшена тонкой резьбой
 an ivory box carved with figures - шкатулка из слоновой кости с резными фигурами
 wrinkles carved his skin - лицо его было изрезано морщинами
- 2) выпиливать (*из дерева*)
- 3) (out of, in) высекать
 to carve out of stone - высекать из камня
 carved in stone - высеченный из камня
 to carve (out) a career - сделать карьеру
- 4) гравировать
2. 1) резать, разрезать
 to carve in two - разрезать пополам
 to carve in /to/ pieces - изрубить на куски
- 2) резать (на куски), нарезать (*ростбиф, дичь и т. п.*)
3. разделять, делить, дробить; расчленять, (*тж.* carve up)
4. (through) прокладывать, пробивать (*путь*; *тж.* carve out)
 he carved out a passage - он с боем пробил себе путь
5. поступать по своему усмотрению
 he may not carve for himself (*Shakespeare*) - не волен он в своих поступках

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carve [carve carves carved carving] *BrE* [kɑːv] *NAmE* [kɑːrɪ] **verb**

1. **transitive, intransitive** to make objects, patterns, etc. by cutting away material from wood or stone
 - ~ **sth** a carved doorway
 - ~ **sth from/out of sth** The statue was carved out of a single piece of stone.
 - The beads were carved from solid ivory.
 - ~ **sth into/in sth** The wood had been carved into the shape of a flower.
 - (*figurative*) Over the centuries, melting snow had carved valleys in the landscape.
 - ~ **in sth** She carves in both stone and wood.
2. **transitive ~ sth (on sth)** to write sth on a surface by cutting into it
 - They carved their initials on the desk.
 - A Latin inscription had been carved on the lid of the box.
3. to cut a large piece of cooked meat into smaller pieces for eating: **transitive, intransitive ~ (sth) | ~ (sb) sth** Who's going to carve the turkey?
4. **transitive, no passive** to work hard in order to have a successful career, reputation, etc
 - ~ **sth (out)** He succeeded in carving out a career in the media.
 - ~ **sth (out) for yourself** She has carved a place for herself in the fashion world.

see carved/set in stone at **↑stone**

Derived **↑carve something up**

Verb forms:

| verb forms | |
|------------------------------|------------------------|
| present simple | |
| I / you / we / they | carve |
| | <i>BrE</i> /kɑːv/ |
| | <i>NAmE</i> /kɑːrɪ/ |
| he / she / it | carves |
| | <i>BrE</i> /kɑːvz/ |
| | <i>NAmE</i> /kɑːrvz/ |
| past simple, past participle | carved |
| | <i>BrE</i> /kɑːvd/ |
| | <i>NAmE</i> /kɑːrvd/ |
| -ing form | carving |
| | <i>BrE</i> /kɑːvɪŋ/ |
| | <i>NAmE</i> /kɑːrɪvɪŋ/ |

Word Origin:

Old English ceorfan 'cut, carve', of West Germanic origin; related to Dutch **kerven**.

Collocations:

Fine arts

Creating art

make a work of art/a drawing/a sketch/a sculpture/a statue/engravings/etchings/prints

do an oil painting/a self-portrait/a line drawing/a rough sketch

create a work of art/an artwork/paintings and sculptures

produce paintings/portraits/oil sketches/his most celebrated work/a series of prints

paint a picture/landscape/portrait/mural/in oils/in watercolours/ (*especially US*) in watercolors/on canvas

draw a picture/a portrait/a cartoon/a sketch/a line/a figure/the human form/in charcoal/in ink

sketch a preliminary drawing/a figure/a shape

carve a figure/an image/a sculpture/an altarpiece/reliefs/a block of wood
 sculpt a portrait bust/a statue/an abstract figure
 etch a line/a pattern/a design/a name into the glass
 mix colours/(especially US) colors/pigments/paints
 add/apply thin/thick layers of paint/colour/(especially US) color/pigment
 use oil pastels/charcoal/acrylic paint/a can of spray paint
 work in bronze/ceramics/stone/oils/pastels/watercolour/a wide variety of media

Describing art

paint/depict a female figure/a biblical scene/a pastoral landscape/a domestic interior
 depict/illustrate a traditional/mythological/historical/religious theme
 create an abstract composition/a richly textured surface/a distorted perspective
 paint dark/rich/skin/flesh tones
 use broad brush strokes/loose brushwork/vibrant colours/a limited palette/simple geometric forms
 develop/adopt/paint in a stylized manner/an abstract style

Showing and selling art

commission an altarpiece/a bronze bust of sb/a portrait/a religious work/an artist to paint sth
 frame a painting/portrait
 hang art/a picture/a painting
 display/exhibit modern art/sb's work/a collection/original artwork/ drawings/sculptures/a piece
 be displayed/hung in a gallery/museum
 install/place a sculpture in/at/on sth
 erect/unveil a bronze/marble/life-size statue
 hold/host/mount/open/curate/see (especially BrE) an exhibition/(NAmE usually) exhibit
 be/go on (BrE) exhibition/(NAmE) exhibit
 feature/promote/showcase a conceptual artist/contemporary works
 collect African art/modern British paintings/Japanese prints
 restore/preserve a fresco/great works of art

Example Bank:

- Lunch is ready. Who's going to carve?
- She taught me how to carve a leg of lamb.
- We watched as the waiter expertly carved the duck.

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[Language: Old English; Origin: ceorfan]

1. MAKE OBJECT OR PATTERN [transitive] to make an object or pattern by cutting a piece of wood or stone ⇒ **carving**

carve something out of/from something

- a statue carved from a single block of marble
- carved wooden chairs

2. CUT SOMETHING INTO A SURFACE [transitive] to cut a pattern or letter on the surface of something

carve something on/in/into something

- Someone had carved their initials on the tree.

3. CUT MEAT [intransitive and transitive] to cut a large piece of cooked meat into smaller pieces using a knife:

- Carve the meat into slices.
- Who's going to carve?

4. JOB/POSITION/LIFE [transitive] (also carve out) to succeed in getting the job, position, life etc that you want:

- He carved a niche for himself as a writer.
- She carved out a successful career in the film industry.
- He moved to Boston to carve out a new life for himself.

5. WATER/WIND [transitive] if a river, the wind etc carves land or rock, it removes some of it:

- The river had carved channels in the limestone rock. ⇒ **not be carved in stone** at [↑]stone¹(9)

6. REDUCE SOMETHING [transitive always + adverb/preposition] to reduce the size of something by removing some of it

carve something from something

- The company carved \$1 million from its budget.

carve somebody/something ↔ up phrasal verb

1. to divide land, a company etc into smaller parts and share it between people – used especially to show disapproval:

- The Ottoman Empire was carved up by Britain and France after World War I.
- The two companies are attempting to carve up a large slice of America's publishing industry between them.

2. British English informal to drive past a car and then suddenly move in front of it so that you are too close

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THESAURUS

- **cut** to divide something into two or more pieces, especially using a knife or [↑]scissors: Do you want me to cut the cake? | He cut off the lower branches.
- **snip** to quickly cut something, especially using [↑]scissors: I snipped the label off. | The hairdresser snipped away at her hair.
- **slit** to make a long narrow cut through something, especially using a knife: He slit the envelope open with a penknife. | She slit through the plastic covering.
- **slash** to cut something quickly and violently with a knife, making a long thin cut: Someone had slashed the tyres on his car. | He tried to slash his wrists.

- **saw** to cut wood, using a [↑]saw (=a tool with a row of sharp points): Saw the wood to the correct length.
- **chop** to cut wood, vegetables, or meat into pieces: Bill was outside chopping up firewood with an axe. | They chopped down the old tree. | finely chopped onion
- **slice** to cut bread, meat, or vegetables into thin pieces: I'll slice the cucumber. | Slice the bread thinly.
- **dice** to cut vegetables or meat into small square pieces: First dice the apple into cubes.
- **grate** to cut cheese or a hard vegetable by rubbing it against a special tool: Grate the cheese and sprinkle it over the vegetables.
- **peel** to cut the outside part off something such as a potato or apple: I peeled the potatoes and put them in a saucepan.
- **carve** to cut thin pieces from a large piece of meat: Uncle Ray carved the turkey.
- **mow** to cut the grass in a garden, park etc: A gardener was mowing the lawn.
- **trim** (also **clip**) to cut a small amount off something, especially to make it look neater: He was trimming his beard. | Trim the excess fat off the meat.

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Frequency Pack

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RANGE: **4k** CARVE 13116

carve 1879

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carves 308

carver 556

carvers 382

carving 2558

carvings 891

COCA 500k Unlemmatized

1029 **18001**¹²⁸⁸ *vvi*

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