wolf Apresyan (En-Ru)

- **1.** [wvlf] *n* (pl wolves)
 - 1. 1) *зоол.* волк (Canis lupus)
 - 2) волчий мех
 - 2. жестокий, безжалостный или жадный человек; волк, хищник
 - 3. амер. разг. бабник, волокита, сердцеед
 - 4. амер. воен. жарг. старшина (роты)
 - ⋄ to cry wolf поднимать ложную тревогу

to have a wolf in one's stomach - сильно проголодаться

to see /to have seen/ a wolf - лишиться дара речи; \cong язык прилип к гортани

to keep the wolf from the door - бороться с угрожающей нищетой; \cong перебиваться с хлеба на квас

to wake a sleeping wolf - напрашиваться на неприятности

to have/to hold/ a wolf by the ears - быть в безвыходном положении, не иметь пути к отступлению

a wolf in a lamb's skin /in sheep's clothing/ - волк в овечьей шкуре

2. [wvlf] v

- 1. заглатывать (пищу) с жадностью (часто wolf down)
- 2. амер. сл.
- 1) бегать, волочиться за каждой юбкой
- 2) отбивать девушку (у кого-л.)
- 3. редк. поднимать ложную тревогу

wolf

wolf [wolf wolves] noun, verb BrE [wolf] ** NAME [wolf] ** noun (pl. wolves BrE [wolvz] ** ; NAME [wolvz] **)

a large wild animal of the dog family, that lives and hunts in groups

a pack of wolves

more at cry wolf at fcry , a lone wolf at flone

Word Origin:

Old English wulf, of Germanic origin; related to Dutch wolf and German Wolf, from an Indo-European root shared by Latin lupus and Greek lukos. The verb dates from the mid 19th cent.

Example Bank:

- A lone wolf howled under the full moon.
- · Labour groups are often seen as the big bad wolf.
- She called the media 'ravening wolves'.
- She compared the media to a pack of ravening ravenous wolves.
- a story of a young boy raised by wolves

Idioms: 1 keep the wolf from the door = 1 throw somebody to the wolves = 1 wolf in sheep's clothing

verb ~ sth (down) (informal)

to eat food very quickly, especially by putting a lot of it in your mouth at once

Syn: ↑gobble

Verb forms: verb forms

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we /they	wolf
	BrE /ws/f/
	NAmE /wslf/
he / she /it	wolfs
	BrE /walfs/
	NAmE /walfs/
past simple, past participle	wolfed
	BrE /wolft/
	NAME /wslft/
-ing form	wolfing
	BrE /ws/fm/
	NAME /wslfin/

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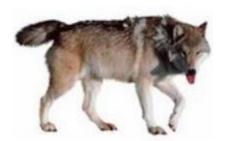
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I. wolf¹ /wolf/ BrE * AmE * noun (plural wolves /wolvz/) [countable] [Language: Old English; Origin: wulf]



- 1. a wild animal that looks like a large dog and lives and hunts in groups:
 - a pack of wolves
- 2. a wolf in sheep's clothing someone who seems to be friendly or harmless but is in fact dangerous, dishonest etc
- 3. keep the wolf from the door to earn just enough money to buy the basic things you need:
 - I work part-time in a coffee shop just to keep the wolf from the door.
- -wolfish adjective:
 - a wolfish grin
- \Rightarrow cry wolf at \uparrow cry \uparrow (7), \Rightarrow lone wolf at \uparrow lone(3)
- **II.** wolf² BrE * AmE * (also wolf down) verb [transitive]
 - informal to eat something very quickly, swallowing it in big pieces SYN gobble

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