

hedgehog

[ˈhedʒhɒɡ] *n*

1. 1) *зоол.* ёж (*Erinaceus europaeus*)
 - 2) *амер. разг.* дикобраз
 2. *бот.* колючая семенная коробочка
 3. *разг.* неживчивый, трудный, «колючий» человек
 4. *воен.*
 - 1) ёж, переносное проволочное ограждение
 - 2) укреплённая оборонительная позиция; укреплённый пункт
- hedgehog defence - *воен. разг.* круговая оборона

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Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

hedgehog [ˈhedʒhɒɡ **hedgehogs**] *BrE* [ˈhedʒhɒɡ] [ⓘ] *NAmE* [ˈhedʒhɔːɡ] [ⓘ]

NAmE [ˈhedʒhɑːɡ] [ⓘ] **noun**

a small brown European animal with stiff parts like needles (called ↑**spines**) covering its back. **Hedgehogs** are ↑**nocturnal** (= active mostly at night) and can roll into a ball to defend themselves when they are attacked.

Word Origin:

late Middle English: from ↑**hedge** (from its habitat) + ↑**hog** (from its piglike snout).

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Longman DOCE 5th Ed. (En-En)

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a small brown European animal whose body is round and covered with sharp needle-like ↑**spines**

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