

**fluke**

I

[flu:k] *n*

1. **зоол.** камбала (*Pleuronectidae fam.*)
2. **гельм.** трематода

II

1. [flu:k] *n*

1. **мор.** лапа, рог (якоря)
2. **амер.** зазубрина гарпуна
3. **pl** хвостовой плавник (*кита*)
  - ◇ to turn /to peak/ the flukes - а) уходить под воду (*о ките*); б) **мор. жарг.** завалиться спать

2. [flu:k] *v*

1. работать хвостовыми плавниками (*о ките*)
2. отрубить хвост (*при разделке китовой туши*)
3. привязать китовую тушу к судну

II

1. [flu:k] *n разг.*

- 1) (неожиданно) удачный удар при игре (*бильярд*)
- 2) счастливая случайность; неожиданная удача
  - he won by a fluke - он выиграл случайно, ему просто повезло
- 3) **амер.** неудача, провал
- 4) **амер.** очковтирательство притворство
  - ◇ a fluke of wind - порыв (попутного) ветра

2. [flu:k] *v разг.*

- 1) сделать удачный удар (*бильярд*)
- 2) выиграть благодаря счастливой случайности
- 3) **амер.** потерпеть неудачу

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Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

**fluke** [fluke flukes fluked fluking] *BrE* [fluːk] *NAme* [fluːk] **noun usually singular** (informal)

a lucky or unusual thing that happens by accident, not because of planning or skill

- They are determined to show that their last win was no fluke.
- It was a sheer fluke that no one was hurt in the bomb blast.
- a fluke goal

Derived Word ↑fluky

See also: ↑flukey

Word Origin:

mid 19th cent. (originally a term in games such as billiards denoting 'a lucky stroke'): perhaps a dialect word.

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Longman DOCE 5th Ed. (En-En)

**fluke** /fluːk *BrE* *AmE* **noun** [countable] *informal*

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something good that happens because of luck:

He agreed that the second goal was a fluke.

—**fluky, flukey** *adjective:*

a fluky win

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**THESAURUS**

- **luck** *noun* [uncountable] when good or bad things happen to people by chance: The game involves an element of luck as well as skill.
- **chance** *noun* [uncountable] the way that some things happen without being planned or caused by people: I met her by chance on a plane to Tokyo. | Like all top athletes, he leaves nothing to chance, and trains harder than anybody.
- **fortune** *noun* [uncountable] luck and the effect it has on your life: I had the good fortune to work with some great people. | The tour was dogged by ill fortune (=it had a lot of bad luck) from the start. | Fortune has shone on the team so far this season (=they have been lucky).
- **fate** *noun* [uncountable] a power that some people believe controls what happens to people and which cannot be changed or stopped: Fate dealt him a cruel blow with the death of his wife at the age of 32. | It must have been fate that brought them together, and fate that tore them apart. | We can't just leave it to fate.
- **providence** *noun* [uncountable] a power which some people believe controls what happens in our lives and protects us: Do you believe in divine providence (=God's power to make things happen)? | Her life was mapped out for her by providence.
- **fluke** *noun* [countable usually singular] *informal* something good that happens because of luck: Their second goal was a fluke. | They won by a fluke.

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