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cash¹



NOUN

[mass noun]

- 1 Money in coins or notes, as distinct from cheques, money orders, or credit.
- ‘the staff were paid in cash’*
- ‘a discount for cash’*

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- 1.1 Money in any form.
- ‘she was always short of cash’*

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VERB

[WITH OBJECT]

- 1 Give or obtain notes or coins for (a cheque or money order)
- ‘the bank cashed her cheque’*

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- 2 *Bridge*
- Lead (a high card) so as to take the opportunity to win a trick.
- ‘South cashed the ace, king, and queen of clubs’*

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Phrases

cash down

British

With immediate and full payment at the time of purchase.

‘the price was £900 cash down’

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cash in hand

British

Payment for goods and services in cash rather than by cheque or other means, typically as a way of avoiding the payment of tax on the amount earned.

[as modifier] ‘a cash-in-hand job’

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cash in one's chips

informal

Die.

‘the two men never realized how close they had come to cashing in their chips’

+ More example sentences

Phrasal Verbs

cash in

informal

Take advantage of or exploit (a situation)

‘the breweries were cashing in on the rediscovered taste for real ales’

+ More example sentences

cash something in

Convert an insurance policy, savings account, or other investment into money.

‘hundreds of savers cashed in their investments’

+ More example sentences

cash out

- 1 *US* Cost.

‘juicy baked chicken cashed out at \$7’

- 2 Convert an insurance policy, savings account, or other investment into money.

‘most of them cashed out when their stock options reached a certain optimum level’

cash up

Count and check takings at the end of a day's trading.

‘two staff were cashing up at one of the tills’

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Origin

Late 16th century (denoting a box for money): from Old French casse or Italian cassa ‘box’, from Latin capsā (see [case](#)).

Pronunciation

cash /kɑʃ/

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NOUN (cash)

historical

A coin of low value from China, southern India, or SE Asia.

Origin

Late 16th century from Portuguese caixa, from Tamil kāsū, influenced by [cash](#).

Pronunciation

cash /kɑʃ/

WORD OF THE DAY

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 NOUN



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