



Etymology

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Quilt [kwilt]

Definition: (Noun) A coverlet for a bed, made of two layers of fabric with some soft substance between them

Origin: From Anglo-French *Quilte* meaning “mattress with soft lining.”

From Old French *cuilte* meaning “quilt, mattress”

Pictures of quilts



Shy [shahy]

Definition: (Adjective) Easily frightened away, timid

Origin: Late Old English *sceoh*

Meaning “timid, easily startled.”

Pictures pertaining to shy



Nature [Ney-Cher]

Definition: (Noun) The natural world as it exists without human beings or civilization.

Origin: From the Old French *Natura* meaning “Principle of life, and character.”

From Latin *Natura* meaning “Nature character, quality, and the universe.”

Pictures of nature



Courtney [KORT-nee]

Gender: Feminine

Origin: English

Means: “*curtus*” meaning short

Popularity: Ranked #481 in the United States

and ranked #261 in England/Wales

Sources

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