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Etymology 1

From Middle English *coroune*, *croune*, *crowne*, from Anglo-Norman *coroune*, *curune*, *corone* (French *couronne*), from Latin *corona* (“wreath”), from Ancient Greek κορώνη (*korṓnē*). Doublet of *corona*.

- (*paper size*): So called because originally watermarked with a crown.

Pronunciation

- (*Received Pronunciation, US*) IPA^(key): /kɹaʊn/
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The crown of King Christian IV of Denmark

- Rhymes: -aʊn

Noun

crown (*plural crowns*)

1. A royal, imperial or princely headdress; a diadem.

Synonyms: coronet, diadem

2. (*heraldry*) A representation of such a headdress, as in heraldry; it may even be that only the image exists, no physical crown, as in the case of the kingdom of Belgium; by analogy such crowns can be awarded to moral persons that don't even have a head, as the mural crown for cities in heraldry

3. A wreath or band for the head, especially one given as reward of victory or a mark of honor.

Synonyms: garland, wreath

4. (*by extension*) Any reward of victory or mark of honor.

Synonyms: award, garland, honor, prize, wreath
the martyr's crown

5. Imperial or regal power, or those who wield it.

Synonyms: monarchy, royalty

6. (*metonymically*) The sovereign (in a monarchy), as head of state. [quotations ▼]

7. (*by extension, especially in law*) The state, the government (headed by a monarch). [quotations ▼]

*Treasure recovered from shipwrecks automatically becomes property of the **Crown**.*

8. The top part of something:

1. The topmost part of the head. [quotations ▼]

Synonyms: apex, top

2. The highest part of a hill. [quotations ▼]

Synonyms: apex, peak, summit, top
Antonyms: base, bottom, foot

3. The top section of a hat, above the brim.

4. The raised centre of a road.

5. The highest part of an arch.

6. The upper range of facets in a rose diamond.

7. The dome of a furnace.

9. (*architecture*) A kind of spire or lantern formed by converging flying buttresses.

10. Splendor; culmination; acme. [quotations ▼]

Synonyms: completion, culmination, finish, splendor

11. Any currency (originally) issued by the crown (regal power) and often bearing a crown (headdress); (*translation*) various currencies known by similar names in their native languages, such as the koruna, kruna, krone.

12. (*historical*) A former pre-decimalization British coin worth five shillings. [quotations ▼]

Synonyms: caser, tusheroon, tush, tosheroon, tosh, bull, caroon, thick-un, coachwheel, cartwheel

13. (*botany*) The part of a plant where the root and stem meet.

14. (*forestry*) The top of a tree.

15. (*anatomy*) The part of a tooth above the gums.

Synonym: corona

16. (*dentistry*) A prosthetic covering for a tooth.

17. (*nautical*) A knot formed in the end of a rope by tucking in the strands to prevent them from unravelling

18. (*nautical*) The part of an anchor where the arms and the shank meet

19. (*nautical*) The rounding, or rounded part, of the deck from a level line.

20. (*nautical, in the plural*) The bights formed by the turns of a cable.

(Can we find and add a quotation of Totten to this entry?)

21. (*paper*) In England, a standard size of printing paper measuring 20 × 15 inches.

22. (*paper*) In American, a standard size of writing paper measuring 19 × 15 inches.

23. (*chemistry*) A monocyclic ligand having three or more binding sites, capable of holding a guest in a central location

24. (*medicine*) During childbirth, the appearance of the baby's head from the mother's vagina [quotations ▼]

25. (*firearms*) A rounding or smoothing of the barrel opening

26. (*geometry*) The area enclosed between two concentric perimeters.

27. (*religion*) A round spot shaved clean on the top of the head, as a mark of the clerical state; the tonsure.

28. A whole turkey with the legs and wings removed to produce a joint of white meat.

29. (*African-American Vernacular, colloquial*) A formal hat worn by women to Sunday church services; a church crown. [quotations ▼]

30. The knurled knob or dial, on the outside of a watch case, used to wind it or adjust the hands.

Derived terms

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Descendants

- Japanese: クラウン (kuraun)

- → Maori: karauna

Translations

±royal headdress	[show ▼]
±representation of such a headdress	[show ▼]
±wreath or band for the head	[show ▼]
±reward	[show ▼]
±imperial or regal power	[show ▼]
±sovereign	[show ▼]
±state	[show ▼]
±topmost part of the head	[show ▼]
±highest part of a hill	[show ▼]
±top of a hat	[show ▼]
±centre of a road	[show ▼]
±highest part of an arch	[show ▼]
±splendor, culmination, acme	[show ▼]
±any currency issued by the crown	[show ▼]
±former British coin worth five shillings	[show ▼]
±part of a plant where the root and stem meet	[show ▼]
±top of a tree	[show ▼]
±anatomy: part of tooth	[show ▼]
±dentistry: prosthetic covering for a tooth	[show ▼]
±nautical: knot formed in the end of a rope	[show ▼]
±part of an anchor	[show ▼]
±nautical: rounding of the deck	[show ▼]
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±paper: standard size of printing paper	[show ▼]
±chemistry: monocyclic ligand having three or more binding sites	[show ▼]
±medical: appearance of the baby's head from the mother's vagina	[show ▼]
±firearms: rounding or smoothing of the barrel opening	[show ▼]
±upper range of facets in a rose diamond	[show ▼]
±dome of a furnace	[show ▼]
±geometry: area enclosed between two concentric perimeters	[show ▼]
religion: round spot shaved clean on the top of the head – see <u>tonsure</u>	

±whole turkey with the legs and wings removed

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±formal hat worn by women to Sunday church services

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Translations to be checked

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Adjective

crown (*not comparable*)

1. Of, related to, or pertaining to a crown.

crown prince

2. Of, related to, pertaining to the top of a tree or trees.

*a **crown fire***

Translations

±of, related to, or pertaining to a crown

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±of, related to, or pertaining to the top of trees

[show ▼]

Verb

crown (*third-person singular simple present **crowns**, present participle **crowning**, simple past and past participle **crowned***)

1. To place a crown on the head of.
2. To formally declare (someone) a king, queen, emperor, etc. [quotations ▼]
3. To bestow something upon as a mark of honour, dignity, or recompense; to adorn; to dignify. [quotations ▼]
4. To form the topmost or finishing part of; to complete; to consummate; to perfect. [quotations ▼]
5. To declare (someone) a winner. [quotations ▼]
6. (*medicine*) Of a baby, during the birthing process; for the surface of the baby's head to appear in the vaginal opening.

*The mother was in the second stage of labor and the fetus had just **crowned**, prompting a round of encouragement from the midwives.*

7. (*transitive*) To cause to round upward; to make anything higher at the middle than at the edges, such as the face of a machine pulley.
8. To hit on the head. [quotations ▼]
9. (*video games*) To shoot an opponent in the back of the head with a shotgun in a first-person shooter video game.

10. (*board games*) In checkers, to stack two checkers to indicate that the piece has become a king.

“Crown me!” I said, as I moved my checker to the back row.

11. (*firearms*) To widen the opening of the barrel.

12. (*military*) To effect a lodgment upon, as upon the crest of the glacis, or the summit of the breach.

13. (*nautical*) To lay the ends of the strands of (a knot) over and under each other.


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- crowned

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Etymology 2

Pronunciation

- IPA^(key): /kɹoʊn/
- Rhymes: -oʊn

Verb**crown**

1. *(archaic) past participle of **crow*** [quotations ▼]
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Middle English

Noun**crown**

1. *Alternative form of **coroune***
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