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roof (rōof, rōof)

n.

1.
 - a. The exterior surface and its supporting structures on the top of a building.
 - b. The upper exterior surface of a dwelling as a symbol of the home itself: *three generations living under one roof*.
2. The top covering of something: *the roof of a car*.
3. The upper surface of an anatomical structure, especially one having a vaulted inner structure: *the roof of the mouth*.
4. The highest point or limit; the summit or ceiling: *A roof on prices is needed to keep our customers happy*.

tr.v. **roofed**, **roof·ing**, **roofs**

To furnish with a roof or cover.

Idioms:

go through the roof *Slang*

1. To grow, intensify, or rise to an enormous, often unexpected degree: *Operating costs went through the roof last year*.
2. To become extremely angry: *When I told her about breaking the window, she went through the roof*.

raise the roof *Slang*

1. To be extremely noisy and boisterous: *They raised the roof at the party*.
2. To complain loudly and bitterly: *Angry tenants finally raised the roof about their noisy neighbors*.

[Middle English, from Old English hrōf.]

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roof (ru:f)

n, **pl roofs** (ru:fs; ru:vz)

1. (Architecture)
 - a. a structure that covers or forms the top of a building
 - b. (*in combination*): *the rooftop*.
 - c. (*as modifier*): *a roof garden*.
2. the top covering of a vehicle, oven, or other structure: *the roof of a car*.
3. (Anatomy) *anatomy* any structure that covers an organ or part: *the roof of the mouth*.
4. a highest or topmost point or part: *Mount Everest is the roof of the world*.
5. a house or other shelter: *a poor man's roof*.
6. (Mountaineering) *mountaineering* the underside of a projecting overhang
7. **hit the roof go through the roof**
 - a. to get extremely angry; become furious
 - b. to rise or increase steeply
8. **raise the roof**
 - a. to create a boisterous disturbance
 - b. to react or protest heatedly

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9. (*tr*) to provide or cover with a roof or rooflike part

[Old English *hrōf*; related to Middle Dutch, Old Norse *hrōf*]

'roofer *n* 'roofless *adj* 'rooflike *adj*

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roof (ruf, ruf)

n., **pl. roofs,**

n.

1. the external upper covering of a house or other building.
2. a frame for supporting this: *an open-timbered roof*.
3. the highest part or summit of anything: *the roof of the world*.
4. something that covers in the manner of a roof, as the top of a car or the upper part of the mouth.
5. a house.

v. t.

6. to provide or cover with a roof.

Idioms:

go through the roof,

- a. (esp. of costs) to increase dramatically.
- b. Also, **hit the roof**. to lose one's temper; become enraged.

[before 900; Middle English; Old English *hrōf*; c. Dutch *roef* cover, cabin, Old Norse *hrōf* boat shed]

rooflike, *adj.*

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Past participle: roofed

Gerund: roofing

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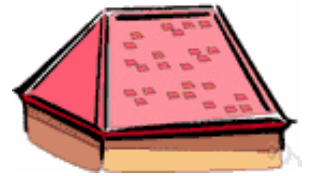
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Noun 1.

roof - a protective covering that covers or forms the top of a building

↔ **building, edifice** - a structure that has a roof and walls and stands more or less permanently in one place; "there was a three-story building on the corner"; "it was an imposing edifice"



↔ **curb roof** - a roof with two or more slopes on each side of the ridge

↔ **dome** - a hemispherical roof

↔ **eaves** - the overhang at the lower edge of a roof

↔ **gable roof, saddle roof, saddleback roof, saddleback** - a double sloping roof with a ridge and gables at each end

↔ **hip roof, hipped roof** - a roof having sloping ends as well as sloping sides

↔ **housetop** - the roof of a house; "shout it from the housetops"

↔ **protective cover, protective covering, protection** - a covering that is intend to protect from damage or injury; "they had no protection from the fallout"; "wax provided protection for the floors"

↔ **roof peak** - the highest point of a roof

↔ **slate roof** - a roof covered with slate

↔ **sunroof, sunshine-roof** - an automobile roof having a sliding or raisable panel; "'sunshine-roof' is a British term for `sunroof'"

↔ **thatched roof, thatch** - a house roof made with a plant material (as straw)

↔ **tile roof** - a roof made of fired clay tiles

↔ **vault** - an arched brick or stone ceiling or roof

2. **roof** - protective covering on top of a motor vehicle

↔ **autobus, bus, charabanc, double-decker, jitney, motorbus, motorcoach, passenger vehicle, omnibus, coach** - a vehicle carrying many passengers; used for public transport; "he always rode the bus to work"

↔ **auto, automobile, car, motorcar, machine** - a motor vehicle with four wheels; usually propelled by an internal combustion engine; "he needs a car to get to work"

↔ **hood** - the folding roof of a carriage

↔ **protective cover, protective covering, protection** - a covering that is intend to protect from damage or injury; "they had no protection from the fallout"; "wax provided protection for the floors"

↔ **motortruck, truck** - an automotive vehicle suitable for hauling

3. **roof** - the inner top surface of a covered area or hollow space; "the roof of the cave was very high"; "I could see the roof of the bear's mouth"

↔ **cave** - a geological formation consisting of an underground enclosure with access from the surface of the ground or from the sea

↔ **covering, natural covering, cover** - a natural object that covers or envelops; "under a covering of dust"; "the fox was flushed from its cover"

4. **roof** - an upper limit on what is allowed; "he put a ceiling on the number of women who worked for him"; "there was a roof on salaries"; "they established a cap for prices"

≡ **ceiling, cap**

↔ **control** - the economic policy of controlling or limiting or curbing prices or wages etc.; "they wanted to repeal all the legislation that imposed economic controls"

↔ **glass ceiling** - a ceiling based on attitudinal or organizational bias in the work force that prevents

minorities and women from advancing to leadership positions

Verb 1. roof - provide a building with a roof; cover a building with a roof

↔ **thatch** - cover with thatch; "thatch the roofs"

↔ **shingle** - cover with shingles; "shingle a roof"


↔ **cover** - provide with a covering or cause to be covered; "cover her face with a handkerchief"; "cover the child with a blanket"; "cover the grave with flowers"

↔ **slate** - cover with slate; "slate the roof"

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roof

noun

hit or go through the roof  be furious, go mad (*Brit.*), be very angry, be livid, **go ballistic** (*informal*), lose your temper, **blow a fuse** (*informal*), **go ape** (*informal*), go spare (*Brit. informal*), **go off the deep end** (*informal*), **blow a gasket** (*informal*), go into a rage, blow your top (*informal*), lose your rag (*informal*), flip your lid (*informal*) *He will hit the roof when I tell him.*

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roof *noun*

The highest point:

 **apex, cap, crest, crown, height, peak, summit, top, vertex.**

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Translations

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roof [ru:f]

A. N (roofs (pl)) [*of building*] → **tejado** *m* (*ESP SP*), **techo** *m* (*ESP LAM*); [*of car etc*] → **techo** *m*

flat roof → **azotea** *f*

to have a roof over one's head → **tener** dónde **cobijarse**

the roof of heaven → la **bóveda celeste**

the roof of the mouth → el **paladar**

to live under the same roof → **vivir** bajo el **mismo techo**

prices are going through the roof → los **precios** están **por las nubes**

he hit the roof → se **subió** por las **paredes**

to lift the roof (Brit) raise the roof (= protest) → **poner** el **grito en el cielo**

when the staff arrived the infant was still raising the roof → cuando el **personal** **llegó**, **el niño** todavía estaba **llorando a grito pelado**

the cheers and roars of approval lifted the pavilion roof → el **pabellón** se **vino** abajo con los **vivas** y los **gritos** de **aprobación**

B. VT (also roof in, roof over) → **techar, poner techo** a

it is roofed in wood → **tiene techo de madera**

to roof a hut in or with wood → **poner techo de madera** a una **caseta**

C. CPD roof garden *N* → **azotea** *f* con **flores** y **plantas**

roof rack *N* (*esp Brit*) (*Aut*) → **Baca** *f*, **portamaletas** *m inv*, **portaequipajes** *m inv*, **parrilla** *f* (*LAM*)

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roof (ru:f) *noun*

the top covering of a building *etc.* *a flat roof; a tiled roof; the roof of a car.*

techo

verb

to cover with a roof. *They'll finish roofing the house next week.*

techar

go through the roof / hit the roof

to become very angry.

subirse por las paredes

roof of the mouth

the upper part of the mouth.

paladar

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roof →

tejado 

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- **The roof leaks**
→ **Hay goteras en el techo**

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