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rawər \ 'rɒ(-ə)r \; rawəst \ 'rɒ-əst \

Definition of *raw*

(Entry 1 of 2)

1 : not cooked

2a(1) : being in or nearly in the natural state : not processed or purified raw fibers raw sewage

(2) : not diluted or blended raw spirits

b : unprepared or imperfectly prepared for use

c : not being in polished, finished, or processed form raw data a raw draft of a thesis

3a(1) : having the surface abraded or chafed

(2) : very irritated a raw sore throat

b : lacking covering : [naked](#)

c : not protected : susceptible to hurt raw emotions

4a : lacking experience or understanding : [green](#) a raw recruit

b(1) : marked by absence of refinements

(2) : [vulgar](#), [coarse](#) raw language

c : not tempered : [unbridled](#) raw power

5 : disagreeably damp or cold a raw winter day

raw

[noun](#)

Definition of *raw* (Entry 2 of 2)

: a raw place or state

in the raw

1 : in a natural, unrefined, or crude state

2 : [naked](#) slept *in the raw*

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Adjective

rawly adverb

rawness noun

Synonyms & Antonyms for *raw*

Synonyms: Adjective

- [uncooked](#)

Synonyms: Noun

- [altogether](#),
- [bareness](#),
- [birthday suit](#),
- [bottomlessness](#),
- [buff](#),
- [nakedness](#),
- [nude](#),
- [nudity](#).

Antonyms: Adjective

- [cooked](#)

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Choose the Right Synonym for *raw*

Adjective

[rude](#), [rough](#), [crude](#), [raw](#) mean lacking in social refinement. [rude](#) implies ignorance of or indifference to good form; it may suggest intentional discourtesy. *rude* behavior [rough](#) is likely to stress lack of polish and gentleness. *rough* manners [crude](#) may apply to thought or behavior limited to the gross, the obvious, or the primitive. a *crude* joke [raw](#) suggests being untested, inexperienced, or unfinished. turning *raw* youths into polished performers

Examples of *raw* in a Sentence

Adjective He entered the *raw* data into a spreadsheet. The shoes rubbed my heels *raw*.

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First Known Use of *raw*

Adjective

before the 12th century, in the meaning defined at [sense 1](#)

Noun

1823, in the meaning defined at [sense 1](#)

History and Etymology for *raw*

Adjective

Middle English, from Old English *hrēaw*; akin to Old High German *hrō raw*, Latin *crudus raw*, *cruor* blood, Greek *kreas* flesh

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