

# cowrie (*cow-rie*)

## Definition

n. any of a number of gastropods family Cypraeidae having brightly colored; glossy shells and found in warm seas the shell of any of these mollusks; esp. the shell of the money cowrie *Cypraea moneta*; formerly used as currency in parts of Africa

## Example Sentence

I was hunting for **cowrie** shells at the beach.

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