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croon  (kr ŭ n)

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v. **crooned**, **croon-ing**, **croons**

v.*intr.*

1. To hum or sing softly.
2. To sing popular songs in a soft, sentimental manner.
3. *Scots* To roar or bellow.

v.*tr.*

To sing softly or in a humming way: *crooning a lullaby*.

n.

A soft singing or humming.

[Middle English *crounen*, from Middle Dutch *krōnen*, to lament; see *gera-*² [in the Appendix of Indo-European roots](#).]

croon *er n.*

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