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grub  (grüb)

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v. grubbed, grub·bing, grubs

v.tr.

1. To dig up by or as if by the roots: *grubbed carrots with a stick.*
2. To clear of roots and stumps by digging: *grubbed a small plot.*
3. *Slang* To obtain by importunity: *grub a cigarette.*

v.intr.

1. To dig in the earth: *grub for potatoes.*
2.
 - a. To search laboriously by or as if by digging; rummage.
 - b. To toil arduously; drudge: *grub for a living.*

n.

1. The thick wormlike larva of certain beetles and other insects.
2. A drudge.
3. *Slang* Food.

[Middle English *grubben*, from Old English **grybban*; see *ghrebh-*² [in the Appendix of Indo-European roots](#).]

grub **ber** *n.*

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