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home in on Move toward or focus on a goal, as in He began with a couple of jokes before homing in on the main subject of his talk. This expression originally alluded to a vessel, aircraft or missile being guided to its target by a radio beam or some other means. {c. 1920}

therapy  
/'θerəpi/

Do not say that one thing is opposite to or opposite of another.  
Say that one thing is opposite another: There's a car park opposite the hotel.

Opposite means 'facing' and has optional to:  
Her house is opposite (to) mine.

jar2 /dʒɑː/ l. verb 1. [with obj.] — send a painful or damaging shock through (something, especially a part of the body) • he jarred the knee in training.

Using Wake To Sleep and Pick Up/Put Down for Great Baby Sleep

drum up  
phrasal verb of drum  
try to obtain support or business by means of vigorous persuasion.  
"the organisers are hoping to drum up support from local businesses"

(uncountable) Gear is clothing and other equipment, especially in sports.  
Hurry up and get your gear on. The game's about to start.

deck out someone/something  
phrasal verb with deck verb [ T ] slang  
US /dek/  
Add to word list

to dress someone in special clothes, or decorate something for a special occasion:  
Stanton was decked out in cowboy boots and a work shirt.

chops

phrase [ plural ] informal

ability and technical skill, especially in playing a musical instrument or in acting:

The players show their jazz chops and modern sensibility.

His role in the movie earned him his actor's chops.

Her superb songwriting chops are on display in this album.

His acting chops were honed at the Julliard School.

They were able to show off their culinary chops at a competition in London.

chops

phrase

Add to word list

[ plural ] informal

the area of the face surrounding the mouth of a person or an animal:

a dog licking its chops

I'll give him a smack in the chops if he doesn't shut up.

He walked up to Bill and belted him in the chops.

After all that talking, my chops are tired.

I'd never been closer to giving him a slap in the chops.

Frisbee

/ˈfrɪzbi:/

zip line

noun

a cable or rope stretched between two points of different heights, down which a person slides for amusement by means of a suspended harness, pulley or handle.

prop2

/prop/

noun

noun: prop; plural noun: props

a portable object other than furniture or costumes used on the set of a play or film.

"the exhibition features props and costumes from the show's incredible 49-year history"

wheeze

/wi:z/

verb

breathe with a whistling or rattling sound in the chest, as a result of obstruction in the air passages.

"the illness often leaves her wheezing"

catch on

understand what is meant or how to do something.

"I caught on to what it was the guy was saying"

unethical

/ʌn'εθɪkl/

adjective

not morally correct.

"it is unethical to torment any creature for entertainment"

interlocutor

/ɪntə'ləkjʊtə/

noun FORMAL

a person who takes part in a dialogue or conversation.

pulp

/pʌlp/

noun

1.

a soft, wet, shapeless mass of material.

"boiling with soda will reduce your peas to pulp"

palpable

/'pælpəbl/

adjective

1.

(of a feeling or atmosphere) so intense as to seem almost tangible.

"a palpable sense of loss"

The perpetual foreigner, forever foreigner[1] or perpetual other[2] stereotype is a racist or xenophobic form of nativism in which naturalised and even native-born citizens (including families that have lived in a country for generations) are perceived by some members of society as foreign because they belong to a minority ethnic or racial group.[3]

front

/frʌnt/

on the loose  
phrase of loose  
having escaped from confinement.  
"a serial killer is on the loose"

merge /məˈdʒ/  
verb  
1.  
combine or cause to combine to form a single entity.  
"the merchant bank merged with another broker"

Austria  
/ˈɒstriə/

Australia  
/ɒˈstreɪliə/

at all times  
continuously:  
When you're at the airport, you should make sure you have your luggage with you at all times.  
The fact is that the police can't be present everywhere at all times.  
The public, he said, must remain vigilant at all times.  
Pupils are supervised at all times while they are inside the building.  
Hard hats must be worn at all times on site.  
The device monitors their whereabouts at all times.

account  
/əˈkaʊnt/

taboo noun  
/təˈbu/ , /tæˈbu/

salvage  
/ˈsɒlvdʒ/

savage  
/ˈsɒvɪdʒ/

His family responsibilities had started to become a burden.  
burden of  
The burden of taxation has risen considerably.  
burden on  
I don't like being a burden on other people.  
bear/carry the burden  
If things go wrong he will bear the burden of guilt.

the tax/financial/debt burden

congruent

/ˈkɒŋgrʊənt/

adjective

1.

in agreement or harmony.

"the rules may not be congruent with the requirements of the law"

swaddle somebody/something to wrap somebody/something, especially a baby, tightly in clothes or a piece of cloth

swaddle

/ˈswɒdl/

verb

wrap (someone, especially a baby) in garments or cloth.

"she swaddled the baby tightly"

ravioli

/ˌrɑːviˈəʊli/

tumble verb

/ˈtʌmbl/

[intransitive] to perform acrobatics on the floor, especially somersaults (= a jump in which you turn over completely in the air)

a tumbling troupe

shake on

: to shake hands to show agreement

They shook on the deal.

If you agree, let's shake on it.

play out

phrasal verb of play

1.

develop in a particular way.

"the position of the sub-tropical jet stream across North America will determine how winter plays out"

2.

happen; take place.

"this scenario plays out all across the country"

antiperspirant

/ˌæntɪˈpɛːspɪrənt/

noun

a substance that is applied to the skin, especially under the arms, to prevent or reduce perspiration.

enamour

/ɪˈnəmə, ɛˈnəmə/

verb

past tense: enamoured; past participle: enamoured

be filled with love for.

"it is not difficult to see why Edward is enamoured of her"

swallow<sup>1</sup>

/ˈswɒləʊ/

riff /rɪf/

noun

a short repeated phrase in popular music and jazz, typically used as an introduction or refrain in a song.

"a brilliant guitar riff"

verb

play riffs.

"the other horns would be riffing behind him"

on the side

phrase of side

1.

in addition to one's regular job or as a subsidiary source of income.

"no one lived in the property, but the caretaker made a little on the side by letting rooms out"

Life calling is something you are meant to do/become in your life. For example, some people say that their "life calling" is to be a doctor. Basically, they felt as if they were meant to be a doctor.

I put the jewels in the safe.

coy /kɔɪ/

making a pretence of shyness or modesty that is intended to be alluring (typically used of a woman).

"she treated him to a coy smile of invitation"

reluctant to give details about something regarded as sensitive.

"he is coy about his age"

set back

phrasal verb of set

1.

delay or impede the progress of someone or something.

"this incident undoubtedly set back research"

(of a purchase) cost someone a particular amount of money.

"that must have set you back a bit"

girthy /ˈgə:θi/

adjective

thick and bulky or heavy.  
"a girthy redwood tree"  
(of a person) heavily built or overweight.  
"big, wide, girthy guys"

lucrative  
/'l(j)u:kɹətɪv/  
adjective  
producing a great deal of profit.  
"a lucrative career as a stand-up comedian"

to the full/to the fullest  
phrase  
Add to word list  
as much or as well as possible:  
She certainly lives life to the full.  
It was an advantage that she exploited to the full.  
We want to see young people develop their talents to the fullest.  
My skills of diplomacy have been tested to the fullest.  
He certainly enjoyed the event to the fullest.  
It was a moment to be savoured to the full.

to "go off of X" means to use X as an alternative basis for reference. It's used when the ideal or correct basis is unavailable. For example:

I don't know my wife's measurements, but this shirt fits her, so we can go off of that.

This means, my wife isn't here to measure, but measuring this shirt might be close enough.

steel verb [T] (PREPARE)  
to prepare yourself to be able to do something unpleasant or difficult: She steeled herself to face her accusers.

incredulous  
/ɪn'krɛdjʊləs/  
adjective  
(of a person or their manner) unwilling or unable to believe something.  
"an incredulous gasp"

slat /slat/  
noun  
a thin, narrow piece of wood, plastic, or metal, especially one of a series which overlap or fit into each other, as in a fence or a Venetian blind.  
"sunlight filtered dustily through the slats of the door"

trellis

/'trɛlɪs/

noun

a framework of light wooden or metal bars, chiefly used as a support for fruit trees or climbing plants.

patio

/'pætiəʊ/

noun

a paved outdoor area adjoining a house.

"the dining room looks out to a small patio"

ornate

/ɔː'neɪt/

adjective

elaborately or highly decorated.

"an ornate wrought-iron railing"

The meaning of "that's a wrap is super simple". All it means is that you've completed something. It's primarily used in the film and television industry to describe something that has been completed. For instance, someone may utter the phrase "that's a wrap" when a television show has finished filming.

furtive

/'fɜːtɪv/

adjective

attempting to avoid notice or attention, typically because of guilt or a belief that discovery would lead to trouble; secretive.

"they spent a furtive day together"

work overtime

idiom

: to spend time working at one's job in addition to one's normal working hours —often used figuratively

Her imagination was working overtime.

He's been working overtime around the house to please his wife.

limousine

/ˌlɪmə'ziːn, 'lɪməziːn/



heave into view

idiom

variants or heave in/into sight

: to slowly move closer and become visible

A ship hove into view on the horizon.

scare up something

(North American English, informal) to find or make something by using whatever is available

I'll see if I can scare up enough chairs for us all.

lousy

/ˈlaʊzi/

adjective

1.

INFORMAL

very poor or bad.

"the service is usually lousy"

unwell.

"she felt lousy"

lavish

/ˈlævɪʃ/

adjective

sumptuously rich, elaborate, or luxurious.

"a lavish banquet"

listless

/ˈlɪs(t)lɪs/

adjective

(of a person or their manner) lacking energy or enthusiasm.

"bouts of listless depression"

overzealous

/ˌəʊvəˈzeləs/

adjective

showing too much energy or enthusiasm in pursuit of a cause or objective.

"he's been overzealous in handing out parking tickets"

run something by someone

to tell someone about something so that that person can give their opinion about it:

Would you run your idea by me one more time?

vernacular

/və'nakjʊlə/

noun

1.

the language or dialect spoken by the ordinary people in a particular country or region.

"he wrote in the vernacular to reach a larger audience"

tater

/'teɪtə/

noun INFORMAL

a potato.

"a dish of boiled taters"

cone /kəʊn/

a solid or hollow object which tapers from a circular or roughly circular base to a point.

"stalls selling paper cones full of fresh berries"

fork out phrasal verb

fork out (for something) | fork out something (for/on something)

(informal) to spend a lot of money on something, especially unwillingly

Why fork out for a taxi when there's a perfectly good bus service?

We've forked out a small fortune on their education.

pall 1 /pɔ:l/ 1. noun 1. a cloth spread over a coffin, hearse, or tomb. 2. a dark cloud of smoke, dust, etc. • a pall of black smoke hung over the quarry. 3. something regarded as enveloping a situation with an air of gloom or fear • torture and murder have cast a pall of terror over the villages.

tucker /'tʌkə/

exhaust; wear out.

"he is bewildered and tuckered out with the waiting"

give off something

to produce something such as a smell, heat, light, etc.

The flowers gave off a fragrant perfume.

The fire doesn't seem to be giving off much heat.

mea culpa

/ˌmeɪə 'kʊlpə, ˌmi:ə 'kʌlpə/

exclamation

noun: mea culpa; plural noun: mea culpas

used as an acknowledgement of one's fault or error.

"'Well, whose fault was that?' 'Mea culpa!' Frank said"

confluence /'kɒnfluəns/

noun

the junction of two rivers, especially rivers of approximately equal width.

"the confluence of the Rivers Ouse and Foss"

an act or process of merging.

"a major confluence of the world's financial markets"

clown on

make fun of

Kyle got clowned on the coldest

drawl /drɔ:l/

verb

speak in a slow, lazy way with prolonged vowel sounds.

"Suits me fine,' he drawled"

coffee

/'kɒfi/

on account of

phrase of account

because of.

"they had closed early on account of the snow"

on back order

phrase

Add to word list

requested for a future time when it or they will be available to buy:

"We have dozens of copies on back order", said the bookshop manager.

She said the masks are on back order and may not arrive for some time.

We have lots more copies of the book on backorder, so it's best to reserve a copy.

Fifty of the aircraft are in service, with over two thousand more on back order.

The manager told us that their coal stoves are on backorder until June.

scraggy /'skrægi/ adjective

(of a person or animal) thin and bony.

"scraggy mongrels"

scraggly adjective

/'skrægli/

thin and growing in a way that is not even

a scraggly beard

canid

/'kanɪd/

noun ZOOLOGY

a mammal of the dog family ( Canidae ).

plight /plaɪt/

noun

a dangerous, difficult, or otherwise unfortunate situation.

"we must direct our efforts towards relieving the plight of children living in poverty"

Koreaboo

/ kə'ri ə,bu /PHONETIC RESPELLING

noun

Slang: Disparaging. a non-Korean person viewed as being obsessed with Korean culture and media.

Make an appointment with a doctor.

Peer pressure

Conformity pressure

Groupthink

Japan is a country where peer pressure is constantly felt.

to a degree

(also to some degree/to a certain degree) partly

To a degree, it is possible to educate oneself.

We're all willing to support him to some degree.

PEMDAS

flee /fli:/

verb

run away from a place or situation of danger.

"to escape the fighting, his family fled from their village"

ashen<sup>1</sup>

/'aʃn/

adjective

1.

(of a person's face) very pale with shock, fear, or illness.

"Eleanor's ashen face"

nab

/nab/

verbINFORMAL

catch (someone) doing something wrong.

"they recently nabbed a burglar inside the house he was ransacking"

play along

phrasal verb of play

1.

pretend to cooperate.

"she had to play along and be polite"

run up

phrasal verb of run

1.

allow a debt or bill to accumulate.

"he ran up debts of £153,000"

make something quickly or hurriedly, especially a piece of clothing.

"I'll run up a dress for you"

quibble

/ˈkwɪbl/

noun

1.

a slight objection or criticism about a trivial matter.

"the only quibble about this book is the price"

cafeteria /kəfɪˈtɛəriə/

head-on /ˌhɛdˈɒn/

adjective

adjective: head-on

1.

involving the front of a vehicle or vehicles.

"a head-on collision"

directly confrontational.

"he was trying to avoid a head-on clash"

head-on

/ˌhɛdˈɒn/

adjective

adjective: head-on

1.

involving the front of a vehicle or vehicles.

"a head-on collision"

quip

/kwɪp/

noun

a witty remark.

"Peter ate heartily with a quip about being a condemned man"

Krypton is a fictional planet appearing in American comic books published by DC Comics, most commonly appearing or mentioned in stories starring the superhero Superman as the world from whence he came.

takeaway

/ˈteɪkəweɪ/

a key fact, point, or idea to be remembered, typically one emerging from a discussion or meeting.

"the main takeaway for me is that we need to continue to communicate all the things we're doing for our customers"

average

/ˈav(ə)rɪdʒ/

take the average of those measurements

onion

/ˈʌnjən/

orange

/ˈɒrɪn(d)ʒ/

build

/bɪld/

granivorous

/grəˈnɪv(ə)rəs/

adjective ZOOLOGY

(of an animal) feeding on grain.

dexterity

/dɛkˈstɜːtɪ/

skill in performing tasks, especially with the hands.

"her dexterity with chopsticks"

on cloud nine

phrase of cloud

extremely happy.

"I was on cloud nine once I had completed it"

alleviate

/əˈliːviɪt/

verb

make (suffering, deficiency, or a problem) less severe.

"he couldn't prevent her pain, only alleviate it"

pill /pɪl/

verb

gerund or present participle: pilling

(of knitted fabric) form small balls of fluff on its surface.

"synthetics can pill but otherwise wear fairly well"

back order

noun

noun: backorder

a retailer's order for a product that is temporarily out of stock with the supplier.

"the phone I wanted was on backorder"

toehold

/ˈtəʊhəʊld/

noun

a small place where a person's foot can be lodged to support them, especially while climbing.

a relatively insignificant position from which further progress may be made.

"the initiative is helping companies to gain a toehold in the Gulf"

essence

/ˈɛsns/

noun

1.

the intrinsic nature or indispensable quality of something, especially something abstract, which determines its character.

"conflict is the essence of drama"

give it up

phrase of give

INFORMAL•US

applaud a performer or entertainer.

commend

/kəˈmɛnd/

verb

1.

praise formally or officially.

"he was commended by the judge for his courageous actions"

cadet

/kəˈdɛt/

noun

1.

a young trainee in the armed services or police force.

"an air cadet"

wield /wiːld/

verb

hold and use (a weapon or tool).

"a masked raider wielding a handgun"

have and be able to use (power or influence).

"faction leaders wielded enormous influence within the party"

upend

/ʌp'ɛnd/

verb

set or turn (something) on its end or upside down.

"she upended a can of soup over the portions"

(of a swimming duck or other waterbird) submerge the head and foreparts in order to feed, so that the tail is raised in the air.

"a pair of swans were feeding by upending"

quesadilla

/kɛsə'di:jə/

club /klʌb/

If you're out to "hit the clubs," you're not just going to a club to hang out. You're going out to party hard.

on all accounts

in American English

in any case; under any circumstances

Also: at all accounts

slander

/'slɑ:ndə/

nounLAW

the action or crime of making a false spoken statement damaging to a person's reputation.

"he is suing the TV company for slander"

tarp

/tɑ:p/

nounINFORMAL•NORTH AMERICAN

a tarpaulin sheet or cover.

tarpaulin

/tɑ:'pɔ:lɪn/

noun

noun: tarpaulin

1.

heavy-duty waterproof cloth, originally of tarred canvas.

"a stretch of roof is covered with tarpaulin"

stoke

/stəʊk/

encourage or incite (a strong emotion or tendency).

"his composure had the effect of stoking her anger"

INFORMAL

consume a large quantity of food or drink to give one energy.



"Carol was at the coffee machine, stoking up for the day"

consummate

verb

/ˈkɒns(j)ʊmeɪt/

make (a marriage or relationship) complete by having sexual intercourse.

"they did not consummate their marriage until months after it took place"

ravioli

/ˌrævɪˈəʊli/

noun

small pasta envelopes containing minced meat, fish, cheese, or vegetables, usually served with a sauce.

rudimentary

/ˌruːdɪˈment(ə)ri/

adjective

involving or limited to basic principles.

"he received a rudimentary education"

butter up

phrasal verb of butter

INFORMAL

flatter or praise someone as a means of gaining their help or support.

"don't try and butter me up in order to get privileged information"

piss/shit your pants

idiom offensive

to suddenly feel very frightened:

I shit my pants when all the lights went out.

adulterate /əˈdʌltəreɪt/

render (something) poorer in quality by adding another substance.

"the brewer is said to adulterate his beer"

indigent

/ˈɪndɪdʒ(ə)nt/

adjective

poor; needy.

"a charity for the relief of indigent artists"

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sever

/ˈseɪvə/

verb

divide by cutting or slicing, especially suddenly and forcibly.

"the head was severed from the body"

tonsil

/ˈtɒnsəl/

noun

either of two small masses of lymphoid tissue in the throat, one on each side of the root of the tongue.

meticulous

/mɪˈtɪkjʊləs/

adjective

showing great attention to detail; very careful and precise.

"the designs are hand-glazed with meticulous care"

trophy

/ˈtrɒfi/

spill the beans

phrase of spill

INFORMAL

reveal secret information unintentionally or indiscreetly.

A: Do you have any tea?

B: Yeah, I've wanted to spill the tea!

spill<sup>1</sup>

/spɪl/

reveal (confidential information) to someone.

"there's nothing worse than friends who spill secrets"

Indonesian

/ˌɪndəˈniːziən, ˌɪndəˈniːʒn/

Heath Ledger

have something up your sleeve

idiom informal

Add to word list

C2

to have secret plans or ideas:

If I know Mark he'll have one or two tricks up his sleeve.

luscious

/ˈlʌʃəs/

adjective

(of food or drink) having a pleasingly rich, sweet taste.

"a luscious and fragrant dessert wine"

Catfishing refers to the creation of a fictitious online persona, or fake identity (typically on social networking platforms), with the intent of deception,[1] usually to mislead a victim into an online romantic relationship or to commit financial fraud.

wingman

She died in childbirth.

The baby was born still.

The baby was born, but it was a stillbirth.

It was a stillbirth.

eclectic

/ɪˈklektɪk/

adjective

1.

deriving ideas, style, or taste from a broad and diverse range of sources.

"universities offering an eclectic mix of courses"

That's all "on my end" often refers to "my responsibilities are done or taken care of." For example, "I will do on my end of the work." or "On my end, everything is done."

quotation /kwə(ʊ)ˈteɪʃn/

a formal statement setting out the estimated cost for a particular job or service.

"ensure you receive a written quotation covering all aspects of the job"

desiccant

/ˈdɛsɪk(ə)nt/

noun

a hygroscopic substance used as a drying agent.

"natural desiccants cause fleas to dehydrate and die"

perpetrator

/ˈpɛːptɪtɹetə/

noun

a person who carries out a harmful, illegal, or immoral act.

"the perpetrators of this horrific crime must be brought to justice"

I would rewrite as "They are wearing matching hats" to avoid the problem altogether.

rice ball filling、filling for rice balls

executive

/ɪgˈzɛkjʊtɪv,ɛgˈzɛkjʊtɪv/

rest up  
intransitive verb  
: to get a complete rest : rest oneself thoroughly

swallow1  
/'swɒləʊ/  
verb  
1.  
cause or allow (something, especially food or drink) to pass down the throat.  
"she swallowed a mouthful slowly"

bolt2  
/bəʊlt/  
eat (food) quickly.  
"there's no need to bolt your food"

rib  
<informal> tease good-naturedly • the first time I appeared in the outfit I was ribbed mercilessly.

well wish  
(usually in the plural) An expression of positive regard and hopes for good fortune.  
He greeted me always, the epitome of cheer, with some gnomic well-wish that half the time I could not make out.

listless  
/'lɪs(t)lɪs/  
adjective  
(of a person or their manner) lacking energy or enthusiasm.  
"bouts of listless depression"

A public address system (or PA system) is an electronic system comprising microphones, amplifiers, loudspeakers, and related equipment.

jaded  
/'dʒeɪdɪd/  
adjective  
adjective: jaded  
bored or lacking enthusiasm, typically after having had too much of something.  
"meals to tempt the most jaded appetites"

jade2  
/dʒeɪd/  
nounARCHAIC  
noun: jade; plural noun: jades  
1.  
a bad-tempered or disreputable woman.

2.

an old or worn-out horse.

incredulous

/ɪnˈkrɛdjʊləs/

adjective

(of a person or their manner) unwilling or unable to believe something.

"an incredulous gasp"

ventriloquist

/vɛnˈtrɪləkwɪst/

belt out

phrasal verb of belt

sing or play a song loudly and forcefully.

"she belted out classics for half an hour"

apparatus

/ˌapəˈreɪtəs/

noun

1.

the technical equipment or machinery needed for a particular activity or purpose.

"firemen wearing breathing apparatus"

account for (something)

phrasal verb

accounted for (something); accounting for (something); accounts for (something)

1

: to give a reason or explanation for (something)

How do you account for your success?

2

: to be the cause of (something)

These new features account for the computer's higher price.

3

: to make up or form (a part of something)

Women account for only 25 percent of our employees.

4

US : to think about (something) before doing something : to take (something) into consideration

The researchers failed to account for the fact that most of the students were poor.

warrant

/ˈwɒrənt/

verb

past tense: warranted; past participle: warranted

1.

justify or necessitate (a course of action).

"the employees feel that industrial action is warranted"

ladle  
/'leɪdl/

pull an all-nighter  
idiom  
informal  
: to stay up all night  
He pulled an all-nighter to study for the exam.

bulletin  
/'bʊlɪtɪn/  
Learn to pronounce  
noun  
a short official statement or broadcast summary of news.  
"the statistics provided through the daily health bulletin issued by the government"

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hit home  
phrase of home  
(of a blow or a missile) reach an intended target.  
(of words) have the intended, especially unsettling or painful, effect on their audience.  
"she could see that her remark had hit home"

spat3  
/spat/  
INFORMAL  
noun  
noun: spat; plural noun: spats  
a quarrel about an unimportant matter.  
"when we had our little spats, he had only to smile to get back on the right side of me"

snide  
/snʌɪd/  
adjective  
1.  
derogatory or mocking in an indirect way.  
"snide remarks about my mother"

wry /rʌɪ/  
adjective

1.

using or expressing dry, especially mocking, humour.

"a wry smile"

zip by

1. To pass physically by (someone or something) with great speed.

He zipped by before I could ask him about our paychecks.

The police cars zipped by our house in pursuit of the criminals.

help something ↔ along phrasal verb

to make a process or activity happen more quickly or easily

She asked a few questions to help the conversation along.

up to the mark

phrase of mark

BRITISH

up to the required standard.

"concern has been growing that economic forecasts are not up to the mark"

sell someone/yourself/something short

idiom

Add to word list

to not consider someone or something to be as valuable or good as he, she, or it deserves:

Don't sell yourself short - you've got the skills and the experience.

size something/someone up

to examine something or someone carefully and decide what you think about it, him, or her:

Voters are still sizing up the candidates.

The two cats walked in circles around each other, sizing each other up.

miss out

phrasal verb of miss

1.

not be able to experience or fail to take advantage of an opportunity or chance.

"if you haven't tried this recipe, you're really missing out"

sit tight

phrase of sit

INFORMAL

remain firmly in one's place.

"this shouldn't take long—just sit tight"

lay somebody/something ↔ out

to describe or explain something clearly SYN set out

The financial considerations are laid out in a booklet called 'How to Borrow Money'.

mandrel

/ˈmandr(ɪ)l/

noun

1.

a shaft or spindle in a lathe, to which work is fixed while being turned.

2.

a cylindrical rod round which metal or other material is forged or shaped.

lascivious

/ləˈsɪvɪəs/

adjective

adjective: lascivious

feeling or revealing an overt sexual interest or desire.

"he gave her a lascivious wink"

smutty

/ˈsmʌti/

adjective

(of talk, writing, or pictures) obscene or lascivious.

"smutty jokes"

look through

phrasal verb of look

1.

quickly read through a book or other written material.

"we looked through all the books and this was still the one we liked best"

ignore someone by pretending not to see them.

"he glanced up once but looked right through me"

opal

/ˈɒpəl/

ream /ri:m/

widen (a hole) with a special tool.

"a fan which has a small enough hole to be reamed out to the correct size"

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gentry

/ˈdʒɛntri/

noun

noun: gentry



people of good social position, specifically the class of people next below the nobility in position and birth.

"a member of the landed gentry"

coif

/kwa:f,kwɒf/

style or arrange (someone's hair).

"Gloria's hair was coiffed in its usual way"

If you do something against the clock, you do it as fast as possible and try to finish it before a certain time.

When people do something against the clock, the time they take to do it is recorded, in order to find which person or attempt is the fastest.

tinge

/tɪn(d)ʒ/

verb

colour slightly.

"a mass of white blossom tinged with pink"

dilapidated

/dɪ'lapɪdeɪtɪd/

adjective

(of a building or object) in a state of disrepair or ruin as a result of age or neglect.

"old, dilapidated buildings"

allot

/ə'lot/

verb

past tense: allotted; past participle: allotted

give or apportion (something) to someone.

"equal time was allotted to each"

miscellaneous

/ˌmɪsə'leɪniəs/

assortment

/ə'sɔ:tm(ə)nt/

noun

a miscellaneous collection of things or people.

"the room was filled with an assortment of clothes"

In the culinary world, a 'quarter chicken' is a portion that includes a quarter of a whole chicken, divided into its respective parts. A whole chicken comprises four primary parts: the breast, wing, thigh, and drumstick. As the name suggests, a 'quarter chicken' represents one-fourth of this whole bird.

on the dot  
phrase of dot  
INFORMAL  
exactly on time.  
"he arrived on the dot at nine o'clock"

youse  
in American English  
(juz)  
PRONOUN  
Dialectal  
you (sense 1)

gazpacho  
/gæs'patʃəʊ/  
noun  
a cold Spanish soup made from tomatoes, peppers, and other salad vegetables.  
"in warm weather you can enjoy gazpacho"

fələɪfəʊ

croak  
/krəʊk/  
verb  
past tense: croaked; past participle: croaked  
1.  
(of a frog or crow) make a characteristic deep hoarse sound.  
"the frogs settled in the shade, croaking happily"  
2.  
INFORMAL  
die.  
"the dog finally croaked in 1987"

stub  
/stʌb/  
noun  
1.  
the truncated remnant of a pencil, cigarette, or similar-shaped object after use.  
"the ashtray was full of stubs"

pucker  
/'pʌkə/  
verb  
(especially with reference to a person's face) tightly gather or contract into wrinkles or small folds.  
"the child's face puckered, ready to cry"

crush it  
to do extremely well:  
Keep going! You're crushing it!  
Come on, team, let's get out there and crush it.  
I wasn't sure how well he was going to cope but he absolutely crushed it.  
Here are some tips to help you crush it at your next job interview.  
They did OK in the semi-finals but crushed it in the finals.

'Spare me' is an idiom that is commonly used when someone is tired of listening to another person or is in a state of disbelief. For example, if someone tells you a lie, you may respond with 'spare me'. Some phrases that are synonymous with 'spare me' are 'give me a break' and 'don't bother me'.

plunder  
/'plʌndə/  
verb  
steal goods from (a place or person), typically using force and in a time of war or civil disorder.  
"looters moved into the disaster area to plunder shops"

Waterboarding, or "water torture," is a brutal practice whereby an interrogator straps a prisoner to a board, places a wet rag in his mouth, and by pouring water through the rag induces controlled drowning.

dysentery  
/'dis(ə)nt(ə)ri/  
noun  
infection of the intestines resulting in severe diarrhoea with the presence of blood and mucus in the faeces.

funsies  
To do something for the fun of it. The word was originally used on the TV show scrubs.  
"I did it for funsies" meaning "I did it for fun!"

kaput  
/kə'pʊt/  
adjective INFORMAL  
broken and useless; no longer working or effective.  
"the water pump's broken, kaput"

phlegm  
/flɛm/  
noun  
the thick viscous substance secreted by the mucous membranes of the respiratory passages, especially when produced in excessive quantities during a cold.

frappé<sup>1</sup>  
/'frapɛɪ/

adjective

(of a drink) iced or chilled.

"a crème de menthe frappé"

Break 'Frappuccino' down into sounds: [FRAP] + [UH] + [CHEE] + [NOH] - say it out loud and exaggerate the sounds until you can consistently produce them.

cisgender

/sɪsˈdʒɛndə/

denoting or relating to a person whose gender identity corresponds with the sex registered for them at birth; not transgender.

"this new-found attention to the plight of black trans folks by primarily cisgender allies is timely and necessary"

binky noun

/ˈbɪŋki/

a rubber or plastic object with a special shape that a baby sucks on with its lips and tongue

prehensile

/priːˈhɛnsəl,prɪˈhɛnsəl/

adjective

(chiefly of an animal's limb or tail) capable of grasping.

"many monkeys have long, prehensile tails which they use in swinging through the trees"

"This time around", as you guess, means that it has happened before, and may happen again. "Around" evokes an image of a repeating cycle, which is most often thought of as circular.

beeline

/ˈbiːlɪn/

noun

a straight line between two places.

Someone who has a hands-off way of organizing or dealing with something allows other people to make decisions about how things should be done and avoids becoming directly involved:

Paul has a hands-off style of management.

evict

/ɪˈvɪkt/

verb

expel (someone) from a property, especially with the support of the law.

"a single mother and her children have been evicted from their home"

make ends meet

phrase of end

earn just enough money to live on.

"they were finding it hard to make ends meet"

crash at (someone's) place

To sleep at someone else's house, apartment, etc., for a temporary period of time.

A: "Where were you last night?" B: "I missed the last bus home, so I just crashed at Ben's place."

You can crash at my place while you're visiting the city!

slog /slog/

work hard over a period of time.

"they were slogging away to meet a deadline"

hit (someone or something) forcefully and typically wildly, especially in boxing or cricket.

"batsmen careering down the pitch to slog the ball up in the air"

uncountable]Chocolate pudding is for dessert.

[countable]several puddings to choose from.

glade

/gleɪd/

noun

an open space in a wood or forest.

"a forest glade"

janitor

/ˈdʒænɪtər/

nounNORTH AMERICAN

a person employed to look after a building; a caretaker.

sediment

/ˈsedɪm(ə)nt/

noun

matter that settles to the bottom of a liquid; dregs.

"the ice freezes the wine and sediment at the base of the cork"

nab /nab/

verbINFORMAL

catch (someone) doing something wrong.

"they recently nabbed a burglar inside the house he was ransacking"

Similar:

catch

take, grab, or steal (something).

"Dan nabbed the seat next to mine"

anaemia

/əˈniːmiə/

noun

noun: anemia

a condition in which there is a deficiency of red cells or of haemoglobin in the blood, resulting in pallor and weariness.

chow /tʃaʊ/

food.

"Tex-Mex chow is more than melted cheese and beans"

eat.

"he chowed down on lobster"

bore1

/bɔː/

verb

1.

make (a hole) in something with a tool or by digging.

"bore a hole in the wall to pass the cable through"

tenacious

/tɪˈneɪʃəs/

adjective

tending to keep a firm hold of something; clinging or adhering closely.

"a tenacious grip"

obverse

/ˈɒbvɜːs/

noun

1.

the side of a coin or medal bearing the head or principal design.

2.

the opposite or counterpart of a fact or truth.

"true solitude is the obverse of true society"

auction

/ˈɔːkʃn, ˈɒkʃn/

prolific

/prəˈlɪfɪk/

adjective

1.

(of a plant, animal, or person) producing much fruit or foliage or many offspring.

"in captivity tigers are prolific breeders"

snag /snag/

noun

1.

an unexpected or hidden obstacle or drawback.

"there's one small snag"

catch or tear (something) on a sharp projection.

"thorns snagged his sweater"

one-night stand

: a situation in which you have sex with someone once and you do not continue in a relationship afterwards

I really hope this wasn't just a one-night stand.

e.g. You have given me the same reply, which I still find (to be) unclear.

e.g. I find your behaviour (to be) unacceptable.

I find it interesting to sit outside and watch the different people walking by at lunch time.

The word "hard" is especially common with "I find it":

I find it really hard to focus on my work in the afternoon.

surmise

verb

/sə'maɪz/

suppose that something is true without having evidence to confirm it.

"he surmised that something must be wrong"

duffel bag noun

(also duffle bag)

/'dʌfl̩ ,bæg/

misnomer

/mɪs'neɪmə/

noun

a wrong or inaccurate name or designation.

"morning sickness is a misnomer for many women, since the nausea can occur any time during the day"

a wrong or inaccurate use of a name or term.

"to call this 'neighbourhood policing' would be a misnomer"

double entendre

/ˌduːbl̩ ɒn'tɒndrə, ˌduːbl̩ ɔ̃'tɒdrə/

noun

a word or phrase that is open to two interpretations, one of which is usually risqué or indecent.

"he was unable to get through two consecutive sentences without a smutty double entendre"

raucous

/'rɔːkəs/

adjective

making or constituting a disturbingly harsh and loud noise.

"raucous youths"

nuzzle

/ˈnʌzl/

verb

rub or push against gently with the nose and mouth.

"he nuzzled her hair"

stoked /stoukt/

Add to word list

excited and very happy about something:

We're really stoked about our new album!

setback /ˈsetbæk/

a difficulty or problem that delays or prevents something, or makes a situation worse

The team suffered a major setback when their best player was injured.

The breakdown in talks represents a temporary setback in the peace process.

realtor

/ˈrɪəltə/

noun TRADEMARK • NORTH AMERICAN

a person who acts as an agent for the sale and purchase of buildings and land, in particular a member of the National Association of Realtors; an estate agent.

"it's been a long time since the home, built in 1945, went up for sale, and realtors expect plenty of interest"

remorse

/rɪˈmɔ:s/

noun

deep regret or guilt for a wrong committed.

"they were filled with remorse and shame"

resent

/rɪˈzɛnt/

verb

feel bitterness or indignation at (a circumstance, action, or person).

"she resented the fact that I had children"

overrun

verb

/ˌəʊvəˈrʌn/

1.

spread over or occupy (a place) in large numbers.

"the Mediterranean has been overrun by tourists"

emasculate

/ɪˈmæskjuleɪt/

verb

1.

deprive (a man) of his male role or identity.



"in his mind, her success emasculated him"

effeminate

/ɪˈfɛmɪnət/

adjective DEROGATORY

(with reference to a man) having characteristics and ways of behaving traditionally associated with women and regarded as inappropriate for a man.

"John is depicted as an effeminate young man with flowing hair and delicate hands"

defeminize

/diːˈfɛmɪnaɪz/

to deprive of feminine characteristics.

"an attempt to defeminize social policy"

jolly rancher

A man who can keep an erection for a long period of time. Named after the candy Jolly rancher which never goes soft even if left in the mouth for hours.

What is this regarding/concerning?

racy

/ˈreɪsi/

adjective

1.

lively, entertaining, and typically sexually titillating.

"the novel was considered rather racy at the time"

titillate

/ˈtɪtɪleɪt/

verb

gerund or present participle: titillating

arouse (someone) to interest or mild excitement, especially through sexually suggestive images or words.

"the press are paid to titillate the public"

You're breaking up.

(これが途切れているよ)

I'm losing you.

(声が聞こえなくなっている、途切れている)

We got cut off.

(電話が切れた)

I have bad reception.

(電波が悪い)

I have no reception.  
(電波がない)

My phone doesn't get much reception.  
(私の携帯はいつも電波が悪い)

My apartment has bad reception.  
(私の家はあまり電波が入らない)

Let me go somewhere with better reception.

I don't have any bars on my phone.  
(電波レベルを表す縦の棒が0本 = 電波がない)

How many bars do you have?  
(電波レベルを表す縦の棒は何本ある? = 君の携帯の電波状況はどう?)

caress  
/kə'res/  
verb  
touch or stroke gently or lovingly.  
"she caressed the girl's forehead"

updo  
/'ʌpduː/  
noun INFORMAL  
a women's hairstyle in which the hair is swept up and secured on top or at the back of the head.

clear-cut  
/ˌkliə'kʌt/  
adjective  
1.  
sharply defined; easy to perceive or understand.  
"we now had a clear-cut objective"

detrimental  
/ˌdɛtrɪ'mɛntl/  
adjective  
tending to cause harm.  
"recent policies have been detrimental to the interests of many old people"

finesse /fə'nes/ verb [transitive]  
1 to handle a situation well, but in a way that is slightly deceitful  
2 American English to do something with a lot of skill and style

Status quo is a Latin phrase meaning the existing state of affairs, particularly with regard to social, political, religious, scientific or military issues.

gregarious

/grɪˈɡeɪəriəs/

adjective

(of a person) fond of company; sociable.

"he was a popular and gregarious man"

Definition of 'a/one hell of'

Some people use a hell of or one hell of to emphasise that something is very good, very bad, or very big. [informal, emphasis] Whatever the outcome, it's going to be one hell of a fight.

See full dictionary entry for hell.

segue

/ˈseɪɡweɪ/

verb

(in music and film) move without interruption from one piece of music or scene to another.

"allow one song to segue into the next"

point-blank

/ˌpɔɪntˈblʌŋk/

adjective

(of a shot, bullet, or other missile) fired from very close to its target.

"the bullet was fired at point-blank range"

come into view/sight if something comes into view, you begin to see it

The mountains were just coming into view.

rowdy

/ˈraʊdi/

adjective

noisy and disorderly.

"it was a rowdy but good-natured crowd"

over the course of time

phrase

US

(also in the course of time)

after a period of time:

I assume they plan to have children in the course of time.

Over the course of time, and once her parents' estate was settled, she received a small inheritance.

Shakespeare's plays were first printed in 1616, and, in the course of time, more editions were published.

We hope that over the course of time these two branches of the legal profession may be merged.

It is possible that over the course of time scientific research may be able to shed more light on the origins of the universe.

chastity

/ˈtʃɑːstɪti/

noun

the state or practice of refraining from extramarital, or especially from all, sexual intercourse.

"vows of chastity"

chaste

/tʃeɪst/

adjective

abstaining from extramarital, or from all, sexual intercourse.

"what is required of celibate Catholic clergy is to remain chaste"

spire<sup>1</sup>

/ˈspɪrɪə/

noun

a tapering conical or pyramidal structure on the top of a building, typically a church tower.

flaunt

/flɔːnt/

verb

display (something) ostentatiously, especially in order to provoke envy or admiration or to show defiance.

"newly rich consumers eager to flaunt their prosperity"

amble

/ˈæmbl/

verb

walk or move at a slow, relaxed pace.

"they ambled along the riverbank"

skank

/skɑːŋk/

noun

1.

DEROGATORY•INFORMAL

a disreputable or sleazy person.

2.

a steady-paced dance performed to reggae music, characterised by rhythmically bending forward, raising the knees, and extending the hands palms-downward.

douche

/duːʃ/

noun

1.

a shower of water.

"I felt better for taking a daily douche"

douchebag

/ˈduːʃbæg/

noun

noun: douchebag

1.

a small syringe for douching the vagina.

vantage /ˈvɑːntɪdʒ / vantage point I. noun a place or position affording a good view of something • from my vantage point I could see into the front garden • <figurative> the past is continuously reinterpreted from the vantage point of the present.

teem with something

to contain large numbers of animals or people:

There are acres of rolling grassland, teeming with elk and antelope.

The shopping centre was teeming with shoppers that Saturday.

He can remember the days when his neighbourhood was teeming with life.

Britain and Ireland's waters are teeming with life, from little sea anemones to mighty sharks.

demonstrate

/ˈdɛmənstreɪt/

marvel

/ˈmɑːvl/

verb

be filled with wonder or astonishment.

"she marvelled at Jeffrey's composure"

weave (something) into (something) else

1. To use a particular material to create something through weaving.

I learned how to weave reeds into a rudimentary basket.

The team of specialists spent three years weaving the silk of over a million spiders into a stunning ceremonial cape.

2. To combine several distinct pieces or sources of information into a single cohesive story.

The scriptwriter wove the testimony of everyone involved into a gripping legal thriller.

I bet you'd be able to weave these diary entries into a beautiful novel.

clutch1

/klʌtʃ/

verb

grasp (something) tightly.

"he stood clutching a microphone"

crutch

/krʌtʃ/

noun

1.

a long stick with a crosspiece at the top, used as a support under the armpit by a person with an injury or disability.

shat

(jæt IPA Pronunciation Guide)

Shat is the past tense and past participle of shit.

reparation

/ˌrɛpəˈreɪʃn/

noun

1.

the action of making amends for a wrong one has done, by providing payment or other assistance to those who have been wronged.

"the courts required a convicted offender to make financial reparation to his victim"

sluice

/sluːs/

noun

1.

a sliding gate or other device for controlling the flow of water, especially one in a lock gate.

"the water gushed through the sluices"

2.

an act of rinsing or showering with water.

"a sluice with cold water"

sleuth

/sl(j)uːθ/

noun

a person who investigates crimes; a detective.

"they make MI5 look like a bunch of amateur sleuths"

zebra

/ˈzɛbrə, ˈziːbrə/

A zebra crossing (British English) or a marked crosswalk (American English) is a pedestrian crossing marked with white stripes (zebra markings).

beanie hat

/ˈbiːni/

jerk around

phrasal verb of jerk

INFORMAL•NORTH AMERICAN

deal with someone dishonestly or unfairly.

"I'm sick of being jerked around"

at someone's disposal

phrase formal

Add to word list

B2

available to be used by someone:

I would take you if I could, but I don't have a car at my disposal this week.

Having sold the house she had a large sum of money at her disposal (= to spend as she wanted).

The government will use every tool at its disposal to provide relief for the affected area.

We're currently using all the resources at our disposal to deal with the crisis.

This will be a tough match and they'll need all the talent at their disposal to win it.

scalp

/skaɪp/

resell (shares or tickets) at a large or quick profit.

"tickets were scalped for forty times their face value"

native

(of a plant or animal) of indigenous origin or growth.

"eagle owls aren't native to Britain"

spud

/spʌd/

noun

1.

INFORMAL

a potato.

2.

a small, narrow spade for cutting the roots of plants, especially weeds.

divot

/ˈdɪvət/

noun

noun: divot; plural noun: divots

1.

a piece of turf cut out of the ground by a golf club in making a stroke or by a sports player's boot.

"he hit a wedge shot and carved a hefty divot out of the fairway"

mulch

/mʌl(t)ʃ/

noun

material (such as decaying leaves, bark, or compost) spread around or over a plant to enrich or insulate the soil.

wonky1

/ˈwɒŋki/

adjectiveINFORMAL

not straight; crooked or askew.

"you have a wonky nose and a crooked mouth"

cluck

/klʌk/

verb

(of a hen) make a short, low sound.

"the chickens clucked and scratched in the dirt"

insinuate

/ɪnˈsɪnjʊeɪt/

verb

1.

suggest or hint (something bad) in an indirect and unpleasant way.

"he was insinuating that I had no self-control"

inoculate

/ɪˈnɒkjʊleɪt/

verb

immunise (someone) against a disease by introducing infective material, microorganisms, or vaccines into the body.

"most of the troops had been inoculated against anthrax"

within the margin of error

spruce /spruːs/

make someone or something smarter or tidier.

"the fund will be used to spruce up historic buildings"

tuck away

phrasal verb of tuck

1.

keep something in a secure place.

"I'm used to keeping my driving licence tucked away in a drawer"

coon

Informal. raccoon.

Slang: Extremely Disparaging and Offensive. a contemptuous term used to refer to a Black person.

collarbone noun

/ˈkɒləbəʊn/

Nutella (US: /nuːˈtɛlə/ noo-TEL-ə, UK: /nʌˈtɛlə/ nuh-TEL-ə,[1] Italian: [nuˈtɛlla]) is a brand of brown, sweetened hazelnut cocoa spread.

When referring to a single twin, you can use the term "twin" to indicate that they are part of a pair. To count twins, you can use the plural form "twins" if you are referring to more than one



pair. For example, you can say "There are two sets of twins in the class," to indicate that there are two pairs of twins.

fondle

/ˈfɒndl/

verb

stroke or caress lovingly or erotically.

"he kissed and fondled her"

I'm taking a sick day today.

Mark is not in the office today. He broke his leg yesterday, so he's on/he's taken sick leave.

I'm not feeling well today, and so I'm going to take the day off

employee benefits such as vacation time and sick leave

We are allotted three weeks annual sick leave.

He's been on sick leave since last Thursday.

back rub

noun

a brief massage of a person's back and shoulders.

"Bill popped into the kitchen to give me an impromptu back rub"

innovative

/ˈɪnəvɛtɪv, ˈɪnəvəʊtɪv/

Lent

/lɛnt/

noun

noun: Lent

(in the Christian Church) the period preceding Easter, which is devoted to fasting, abstinence, and penitence in commemoration of Christ's fasting in the wilderness. In the Western Church it runs from Ash Wednesday to Holy Saturday, and so includes forty weekdays.

the boat races held at Cambridge University in the Lent term.

dyke

noun, Derogatory term used to refer to a lesbian; commonly towards a lesbian with more masculine physical characteristics/mannerisms; Offensive to many people.

That woman is a dyke.

percussion

/pəˈkʌʃn/

noun

1.

musical instruments played by striking with the hand or with a stick or beater, or by shaking, including drums, cymbals, xylophones, gongs, bells, and rattles.

"percussion instruments"

repercussion

/ˌriːpəˈkʌʃn/

noun

plural noun: repercussions

1.

an unintended consequence of an event or action, especially an unwelcome one.

"the move would have grave repercussions for the entire region"

Why do we still use the term "roll up your window" when referring to a vehicle that no longer requires rolling a window up by hand?

Austria. / (ˈɒstriə) /

tush3

/tʊʃ/

noun INFORMAL • NORTH AMERICAN

noun: tushy

a person's buttocks.

"office chairs are too often tough on the tush"

If you do something at your own pace, you do it at a speed that is comfortable for you.

The computer will give students the opportunity to learn at their own pace.

She was going too fast so I decided to keep riding at my own pace.

Australia

/əˈstreɪliə/

The phrase "capitalising off of" is correct and is often used in written English.

It typically means to take advantage of or to make money from an opportunity. For example,

"The business has been capitalising off of the increase in consumer spending this past year."

Ramirez rejects the idea that she may be capitalising off of someone else's hard work.

Los Angeles Times

Yet, even if smugglers capitalising off of human desperation took a decisive blow in

late-March, 2016, the dust of the refugee crisis has hardly settled.

Vice

All my life I've been carrying around this guilt, like, "Sorry everyone, for colonising your land and capitalising off of your broken dreams," but now I get to be a part of the victim party!

Vice

If anyone makes a mistake, he'll be right there to capitalise off of it.

The New York Times - Sports

"All of those turnovers were costly, and New Orleans was able to capitalise off of it, and that's why we lose the game.

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The New York Times - Sports

It was not an opportunity to exploit and capitalise off of a controversial issue; it was real.

3

Huffington Post

Now that it's becoming increasingly global, Pakistan's commercial sector is trying to capitalise off of it.

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Vice

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off-ramp

/ˈɒframp/

nounNORTH AMERICAN

a sloping one-way road leading off a main highway.

Women who spend around three years off-ramp see their earning power decrease by 37 per cent.

This downhill curve also features off-ramp approach style lane dividers, in order to slow both motorists and truckers.

The phrase "but I digress" is used to acknowledge that you have temporarily departed from the main topic of conversation or the point you were making. It is often used to indicate that you are about to return to the main point after discussing something that is not directly related. You should use it when you realise that you have gone off on a tangent and want to refocus the conversation on the original topic.

lasagne

/ləˈzɑːnjə,ləˈzɑːnjə/

TO-LET is an abbreviated term for "to let", which is a real estate term meaning "to allow someone to use (a property) in return for rent".

bare minimum

the least possible amount:

She eats only the bare minimum to stay alive.  
I can't even save the bare minimum for my pension.  
When it comes to housework, I do the bare minimum really.  
We've had to cut our workforce back to the bare minimum.  
Only a couple of reporters travel with the president now, whereas a dozen would have been a bare minimum a few years ago.

to a (bare) minimum  
idiom  
: as low as possible  
We need to keep expenses to a (bare) minimum.

glossary  
/'glos(ə)ri/  
noun  
an alphabetical list of words relating to a specific subject, text, or dialect, with explanations; a brief dictionary.  
"a glossary of Inuktitut words"

rub something in  
to talk to someone about something that you know they want to forget because they feel bad about it:  
OK, I made a mistake - you don't have to rub it in.

false front  
in American English  
NOUN  
1. a façade falsifying the size, finish, or importance of a building, esp. one having a humble purpose or cheap construction  
2. any deceptive appearance  
He hid his great shyness behind a false front of aggressiveness

go round  
(especially of food) be sufficient to supply everybody present.  
"there was barely enough food to go round"

call upon (someone or something)  
3. To access or make use of some helpful resource; to draw on something.  
I had to call upon all of my experience to fix the situation.  
The company has such vast financial resources to call upon that they are all but impervious to outside threats.

here's hoping  
idiom  
informal  
—used to say that one hopes something will happen  
Here's hoping (that) it doesn't rain.

nudge /nʌdʒ/

prod (someone) gently with one's elbow in order to attract attention.

"people were nudging each other and pointing at me"

in (one's) best interest

In the interest or for the benefit of one.

It's really in your best interest to have your lawyer review the contract before you sign it.

This decision is in your best interest, so don't act so ungrateful!

rut /rʌt/

a long, deep track made by the repeated passage of the wheels of vehicles.

"a stretch of road made impassable by ruts, holes, or waterlogging"

a habit or pattern of behaviour that has become dull and unproductive but is hard to change.

stubble

/ˈstʌbl/

noun

1.

the cut stalks of cereal plants left sticking out of the ground after the grain is harvested.

"fields of yellow stubble"

pneumatic

/nju:ˈmætɪk/

adjective

1.

containing or operated by air or gas under pressure.

"the machines with pneumatic loading are more efficient"

declutter verb

/diːˈklʌtə(r)/

to remove things that you do not use so that you have more space and can easily find things when you need them

Moving is a good opportunity to declutter.

declutter something a 7-step plan to help you declutter your home

Declutter one room at a time.

She helps people declutter their schedules, houses, and minds.

garnish

/ˈɡɑːnɪʃ/

verb

1.

decorate or embellish (something, especially food).

"garnish each serving with a dollop of sour cream"

inquisition

/ˌɪnkwɪˈzɪʃn/

noun

1.

a period of prolonged and intensive questioning.

"she relented in her determined inquisition and offered help"

inquisitor

/ɪnˈkwɪzɪtə/

noun

a person making an inquiry, especially one seen to be excessively harsh or searching.

"the professional inquisitors of the press"

sought

verb

UK /sɔ:t/

heirloom

/ˈɛ:lʊ:m/

noun

a valuable object that has belonged to a family for several generations.

"the violin was a family heirloom"

hyperbole

/hʌɪˈpə:bəli/

noun

exaggerated statements or claims not meant to be taken literally.

"he vowed revenge with oaths and hyperboles"

ruffle

/ˈrʌfl/

verb

disorder or disarrange (someone's hair), typically by running one's hands through it.

"the father laughs and jovially ruffles his son's hair"

crouch

/kraʊtʃ/

verb

adopt a position where the knees are bent and the upper body is brought forward and down, typically in order to avoid detection or to defend oneself.

"we crouched down in the trench"

mulch

/mʌl(t)/

noun

material (such as decaying leaves, bark, or compost) spread around or over a plant to enrich or insulate the soil.

divot

/ˈdɪvət/

noun

1.

a piece of turf cut out of the ground by a golf club in making a stroke or by a sports player's boot.

"he hit a wedge shot and carved a hefty divot out of the fairway"

ruse

/ru:z/

noun

an action intended to deceive someone; a trick.

"Emma tried to think of a ruse to get Paul out of the house"

criss-cross

/'krɪskrɒs/

noun

noun: crisscross

a pattern of intersecting straight lines or paths.

"the blotting paper was marked with a criss-cross of different inks"

narc noun

/nɑ:k/

a police officer whose job is to stop people selling or using drugs illegally

magnolia /mag'nəʊliə/ I. noun 1. a tree or shrub with large, typically creamy-pink or -white, waxy flowers.

pedigree /'pɛdɪɡri:/ I. noun 1. the record of descent of an animal, showing it to be pure-bred.

• they are looking for animals with pedigrees. • [mass noun] a spaniel of distinguished pedigree. 2. a pure-bred animal.

enthuse /ɪn'θju:z, ɛn'θju:z/ I. verb — [no obj.] 1. express eager enjoyment, interest, or approval regarding something • they both enthused over my new look.

lived-in

(of a room or building) showing comforting signs of wear and habitation.

"the living room has a lived-in feel about it"

fluster /'flʌstə/ I. verb — [with obj.] (often as adj. flustered) 1. make (someone) agitated or confused • Rosamund seemed rather flustered this morning.

slob /slob/ I. noun 1. <informal> a person who is lazy and has low standards of cleanliness. • he's a slob and expects others to clean up after him.

frazzle

/'frazl/

INFORMAL

verb

1.

cause to show the effects of exhaustion or strain.

"Richard was frequently frazzled by the conflicting demands of work and home"

drape

/dreɪp/

verb

arrange (cloth or clothing) loosely or casually on or round something.

"she draped a shawl around her shoulders"

to keep your eyes peeled

PHRASE [VERB inflects, oft PHR for n]

If you tell someone to keep their eyes peeled for something, you are telling them to watch very carefully for it.

lap3

/lap/

(of water) wash against (something) with a gentle rippling sound.

"the waves lapped the shore"

creek

/kri:k/

nounBRITISH

a narrow, sheltered waterway, especially an inlet in a shoreline or channel in a marsh.

"a sandy beach in a sheltered creek"

egg on

phrasal verb

egged on; egging on; eggs on

: to urge or encourage (someone) to do something that is usually foolish or dangerous

He continued to take off his clothes while the crowd egged him on.

Frisbee

/'frɪzbi:/

nounTRADEMARK

a concave plastic disc designed for skimming through the air as an outdoor game or amusement.

the activity of skimming a Frisbee.

"kids were playing Frisbee"

chuck1

/tʃʌk/



verb INFORMAL

1.

throw (something) carelessly or casually.

"someone chucked a brick through the window"

next to nothing

very little

He knows next to nothing about antiques.

gazebo

/gəˈziːbəʊ/

noun

a small building, especially one in the garden of a house, that gives a wide view of the surrounding area.

manicure

/ˈmanɪkjʊə/

neatly trim or cut (an area of land or vegetation).

"landscape crews were manicuring the lawns and gardens"

foyer

/ˈfɔɪər, ˈfɔɪə/

noun

an entrance hall or other open area in a building used by the public, especially a hotel or theatre.

"the foyer of the concert hall"

play down

phrasal verb of play

represent something as being less important than it in fact is.

"he tried to play down the seriousness of his illness"

stately

/ˈstetli/

adjective

impressive or grand in size, appearance, or manner.

"a stately 19th-century mansion"

A modus operandi (often shortened to M.O. or MO) is someone's habits of working, particularly in the context of business or criminal investigations, but also more generally.

by any/no stretch of the imagination

idiom

—used to emphasize that something is not true, does not happen, etc.  
They're not wealthy by any stretch of the imagination.  
By no stretch of the imagination does the factory operate efficiently.

deciduous  
/dɪ'sɪdjʊəs/  
adjective  
(of a tree or shrub) shedding its leaves annually.  
"sun-loving deciduous trees like aspen"

blizzard  
/'blɪzəd/  
noun

all year round  
PHRASE  
If something happens all year round, it happens throughout the year.  
Many of these plants are evergreen, so you can enjoy them all year round.  
It's a treat to be enjoyed all the year round.

sweepstake  
/'swi:psteɪk/  
noun  
plural noun: sweepstakes  
a form of gambling, especially on horse races, in which all the stakes are divided among the winners.  
"a sweepstake ticket"

tenure  
/'tɛnjə/  
guaranteed permanent employment, especially as a teacher or lecturer, after a probationary period; security of tenure.  
"tenure for university staff has been abolished"

"he has survived several assassination attempts"

To be in (someone's) service means that you are employed by that person in some kind of service role.

To be of service (to someone) means that you have assisted or will assist them in some way. It is not necessary for you to work in service to do this. Anyone can be of service to anyone else.

To be at (someone's) service means that you are offering (or someone else has offered) your (usually temporary) help to someone, in a formal and deferential manner. Again, anyone can be at anyone else's service.

sleet

/sli:t/

noun

rain containing some ice, as when snow melts as it falls.

"driving sleet and rain made conditions horrendous"

no two snowflakes are the same.

dendrite

/'dendraɪt/

noun

1.

PHYSIOLOGY

a short branched extension of a nerve cell, along which impulses received from other cells at synapses are transmitted to the cell body.

flit

/flɪt/

verb

move swiftly and lightly.

"small birds flitted about in the branches"

kibble<sup>1</sup>

/'kɪbl/

nounNORTH AMERICAN

ground meal shaped into pellets, especially for pet food.

"a bowl of kibble"

honeysuckle

/'hʌnɪsʌkl/

noun

a widely distributed climbing shrub with tubular flowers that are typically fragrant and of two colours or shades, opening in the evening for pollination by moths.

resent

/rɪ'zent/

verb

feel bitterness or indignation at (a circumstance, action, or person).

"she resented the fact that I had children"

catheter

/'kæθɪtə/

nounMEDICINE

a flexible tube inserted through a narrow opening into a body cavity, particularly the bladder, for removing fluid.

"a urinary catheter"

lash

/lɑʃ/

verb

1.

strike or beat with a whip or stick.

"they lashed him repeatedly about the head"

menial

/ˈmiːniəl/

adjective

(of work) not requiring much skill and lacking prestige.

"menial factory jobs"

arcane

/ɑːˈkeɪn/

adjective

understood by few; mysterious or secret.

"arcane procedures for electing people"

My pet tried to open the window to go outside, so

I put duct tape on it to keep it closed

circumcise

/ˈsəːkəmsaɪz/

verb

1.

cut off the foreskin of (a young boy or man, especially a baby) as a religious rite, especially in Judaism and Islam, or as a medical treatment.

2.

(as a practice traditional in some cultures) partially or totally remove the external genitalia of (a girl or young woman) for non-medical reasons.

yap

/jap/

verb

give a sharp, shrill bark.

"the dachshunds yapped at his heels"

talk at length in an irritating manner.

"he sat in a coffee shop yapping with his buddies"

tamper

/ˈtæmpə/

verb

interfere with (something) in order to cause damage or make unauthorised alterations.

"someone tampered with the brakes of my car"

virtuosity

/ˌvɜːtʃʊˈpsɪti/

noun

great skill in music or another artistic pursuit.

"a performance of considerable virtuosity"

rancid

/ˈrɑːnsɪd/

adjective

(of foods containing fat or oil) smelling or tasting unpleasant as a result of being old and stale.

"rancid meat"

hopscotch noun

/ˈhɒpskɒtʃ/

/ˈhɑːpskɑːtʃ/

[uncountable]

a children's game played on a pattern of squares marked on the ground. Each child throws a stone into a square then hops (= jumps on one leg) and jumps along the empty squares to pick up the stone again.

stock /stɒk/

denoting a conventional character type or situation that recurs in a particular genre of literature, theatre, or film.

"the stock characters in every cowboy film"

In restaurants, à la carte (/ɑːləˈkɑːrt/; lit. 'at the card')[1] is the practice of ordering individual dishes from a menu in a restaurant, as opposed to table d'hôte, where a set menu is offered.

Disowned

refusal to acknowledge, and/ or maintain any connection with.

people are often "disowned" by their family.

iota

/ɪˈəʊtə/

noun

1.

the ninth letter of the Greek alphabet ( ι, ι ), transliterated as 'i'.

2.

an extremely small amount.

"nothing she said seemed to make an iota of difference"

The "fine print" is a term that refers to contract terms and conditions, disclosures, or other important information that is not included in the main body of a document but placed in footnotes or a supplemental document. Reading and understanding the fine print is essential when entering into an agreement.

mall

/mal,mɔ:l/

noun

1.

NORTH AMERICAN

a large enclosed shopping area from which traffic is excluded.

maul

/mɔ:l/

verb

(of an animal) wound (a person or animal) by scratching and tearing.

"a man was mauled by a lion at London Zoo"

standing

remaining in force or use; permanent.

"he has a standing invitation to visit them"

catch a break

idiom mainly US informal

Add to word list

to have some luck or a lucky opportunity:

The Dodgers couldn't seem to catch a break against Arizona.

He caught a break that few aspiring screenwriters do: running into a studio boss at a party.

scour<sup>1</sup>

/ˈskaʊə/

verb

1.

clean or brighten the surface of (something) by rubbing it hard, typically with an abrasive or detergent.

"she scoured the cooker"

"Colourful Language " is a euphemism for language that may make people uncomfortable, or language that is vulgar or otherwise inappropriate.

hit the jackpot

idiom

Add to word list

to win the largest prize in a competition or game

to have a big success or make a big profit, usually through luck:

He seems to have hit the jackpot with his new invention.

go to the trouble to do something

idiom (also take the trouble to do something)

Add to word list

to make an effort to do something:

If the police had gone to the trouble of looking up his record, they would not have released him.

In post-production. Post-production is the process of editing a film and inserting visual effects. Sometimes you'll hear a film director say "we'll fix it in post."

Deadpan is an Americanism from the 1920s. Around that time, pan was emerging as a slang term meaning "the face," probably due to a similarity in shape to a frying pan. When your face is deadpan, it's expressionless, as if you were dead.

Pomeranian /ˌpɒməˈreɪniən/

phoney /'fəʊni / <informal><chiefly N. Amer.> phony I. adjective not genuine; fraudulent • phoney cruise-ship job offers.

Labrador (/ˈlæbrədɔːr/ LAB-rə-dor)

devastate /'dɛvəsteɪt/ I. verb — [with obj.] 1. destroy or ruin • The city was devastated by a huge earthquake.

defiance

/dɪˈfɪəns/

noun

noun: defiance

open resistance; bold disobedience.

"an act of defiance"

glum

/glʌm/

adjective

looking or feeling dejected; morose.

"the princess looked glum but later cheered up"

scrape by

1

: to live with barely enough money : to be able to buy only the things most needed  
Money was tight, but we somehow managed to scrape by.

2

: to succeed at doing something but just barely  
He didn't study for the exam and just barely scraped by.

knock off

phrasal verb of knock

1.

INFORMAL

stop work.

"they usually knock off at 5pm"

knock it off  
phrase of knock  
INFORMAL  
stop doing something.

together  
/tə'geðə/  
self-confident, level-headed, or well organized.  
"she looks a very together young woman"

The plastic model collapsed and came apart.

moron  
/'mɔːrən/

oxymoron  
/ˌɒksɪ'mɔːrən/

trinket  
/'trɪŋkɪt/  
noun  
plural noun: trinkets  
a small ornament or item of jewellery that is of little value.

utero  
/'juːtərəʊ/

in utero

in the uterus : before birth  
a disease acquired in utero  
an in utero diagnosis

appalling  
/ə'pɔːlɪŋ/  
adjective  
causing shock or dismay; horrific.  
"the cat suffered appalling injuries during the attack"

Is "bad rap" or "bad rep" correct?  
The term "bad rap" is the correct phrase used to describe someone or something's bad reputation. It can also be used to describe an undeserved reputation.

caramel  
/'kærəməɪ, 'kærəm(ə)l/

cedar



/ˈsi:də/

noun

any of a number of conifers that typically yield fragrant, durable timber.

oodles

/ˈu:dlz/

nounINFORMAL

a very great number or amount of something.

"if only I had oodles of cash"

fave

/feɪv/

INFORMAL

noun

a favourite person or thing.

"a playlist of classic disco faves"

lair1

/leɪ/

noun

1.

a place where a wild animal, especially a fierce or dangerous one, lives.

"he saw that his dogs had roused a wild boar from its lair"

field day

/ˈfi:ld deɪ/

noun

1.

an opportunity for action or success, especially at the expense of others.

"the newspapers had a field day as the case came to court"

sleuth

/sl(j)u:θ/

noun

a person who investigates crimes; a detective.

"they make MI5 look like a bunch of amateur sleuths"

confectionery

/kənˈfɛkjən(ə)ri,kənˈfɛkjənəri/

noun

sweets and chocolates considered collectively.

"items of confectionery"

confection

/kənˈfɛkjən/

noun

1.

an elaborate sweet dish or delicacy.

"a fruit confection"

glaze

/gleɪz/

verb

1.

fit panes of glass into (a window or door frame or similar structure).

"windows can be glazed using laminated glass"

2.

overlay or cover (food, fabric, etc.) with a smooth, shiny coating or finish.

"new potatoes which had been glazed in mint-flavoured butter"

lac1

/læk/

noun

noun: lac; plural noun: lacs

a resinous substance secreted as a protective covering by the lac insect, used to make varnish, shellac, sealing wax, dyes, etc.

bangle

/'bæŋɡl/

noun

a rigid ornamental band worn around the arm or occasionally the ankle.

"she rubbed the ivory bangle on her wrist"

stoke

/stəʊk/

verb

add coal or other solid fuel to (a fire, furnace, boiler, etc.).

"he stoked up the barbecue"

sear

/sɪə/

verb

1.

burn or scorch the surface of (something) with a sudden, intense heat.

"the water got so hot that it seared our lips"

shear

/ʃɪə/

verb

1.

cut the wool off (a sheep or other animal).

"Paul has never sheared a sheep before"

with the naked eye

with only the eyes, and without the help of instruments such as a telescopes or microscopes

Enough light gets through space for us to see thousands of stars with the naked eye, and millions with an optical telescope.

wean<sup>1</sup>

/wi:n/

verb

accustom (an infant or other young mammal) to food other than its mother's milk.

accustom (someone) to managing without something which they have become dependent on.

"the doctor tried to wean her off the sleeping pills"

satchel

/'sætʃl/

noun

a bag carried on the shoulder by a long strap and closed by a flap, used especially for school books.

instil

/ɪn'stɪl/

verb

1.

gradually but firmly establish (an idea or attitude) in a person's mind.

"the standards her parents had instilled into her"

put (a substance) into something in the form of liquid drops.

"she was told how to instil eye drops"

valiant

/'væliənt/

adjective

possessing or showing courage or determination.

"she made a valiant effort to hold her anger in check"

intrusive

/ɪn'truːsɪv/

adjective

1.

causing disruption or annoyance through being unwelcome or uninvited.

"that was an intrusive question"

you better

Same as "you should", though it can be use for any subject (I, he, she, we, it, they). Implies advice or warning. Common in the southern US, this phrase has been shortened down from:

You would be better off if you...

You would be better to ...

You'd be better...

You'd better...

You better...

Excuse you is the subverted form of the idiom excuse me. It definitely implies that it was your, i.e., the non-speaker's, fault.

spice something up  
(phrasal verb) in the sense of make more interesting

Definition  
to add excitement or interest to (something)  
Her publishers wants her to spice the stories up with sex.

takesies-backsies pl (plural only)

(childish) Synonym of backsie ("the act of taking back or going back on a statement, promise, or agreement")

bouldering  
/'bəʊld(ə)rɪŋ/  
noun CLIMBING  
climbing on large boulders, either for practice or as a sport in its own right.

roulette  
/ru'let/

requiem  
/'rekwiəm, 'rekwiɛm/

vicariously  
/vɪ'ke:riəsli, vɪ'ke:riəsli/  
adverb  
in a way that is experienced in the imagination through the actions of another person.  
"she was living vicariously through her children"

corn cob

If a person, especially a child, calls someone names, they address that person with a name that is intended to be offensive:

Tom's worried that if he wears glasses at school the other children will call him names.

At school, bullying takes many forms, including whispering about people and calling them names.

The other kids started calling her names because she looked and sounded a little different.

People would make fun of me and call me names.

You can simply walk away - you don't need to pout and call people names.

In pop culture, a grill (most commonly referred to as grills or grillz), also known as fronts or golds, is a type of dental jewelry worn over the teeth.

reservation  
/ˌrezə'veɪʃn/

I'd like to make a table reservation for two people at nine o'clock.  
Please confirm your reservation in writing by Friday.

varnish

/ˈvɑːnɪʃ/

noun

resin dissolved in a liquid for applying on wood, metal, or other materials to form a hard, clear, shiny surface when dry.

"several coats of varnish"

ornate

/ɔːˈneɪt/

adjective

elaborately or highly decorated.

"an ornate wrought-iron railing"

dolly /ˈdɒli/

a child's word for a doll.

a small platform on wheels used for holding heavy objects, typically film or television cameras.

"a dolly shot"

giddy

/ˈɡɪdi/

adjective

having a sensation of whirling and a tendency to fall or stagger; dizzy.

"Luke felt almost giddy with relief"

tousle

/ˈtaʊzl/

verb

make (a person's hair) untidy.

"I tousled his wispy silver hair"

pronoun

/ˈprəʊnaʊn/

Normally, we use the word "first" as follows:

- Lucy's name was first on the list. (adjective)
- I am here, and I am first. (adjective)
- I'll help you with your homework, but first let me finish the dishes. (adverb)
- Sandy and Jim arrived first.(adverb)
- There are now many similar housing projects but this was the first.(pronoun)

upside

/ˈʌpsaɪd/

noun

1.  
the more positive aspect of a situation.  
"being self-employed has its upside"

rascal  
/'rɑːskl/  
noun  
a mischievous or cheeky person, especially a child or man (typically used in an affectionate way).  
"a lovable rascal"

strut  
/strʌt/  
noun  
1.  
a rod or bar forming part of a framework and designed to resist compression.  
"a supporting strut"

In America, clocked is used to refer to being punched or hit hard (if you clock yourself on an inanimate object, for example).

A roundhouse kick (also known as round kick or turning kick) is a kick in which the practitioner lifts the knee while turning the supporting foot and body in a semicircular motion, extending the leg striking with the lower part of the shin and/or the instep (top of the foot).

break off  
phrasal verb of break  
1.  
remove something from a larger unit or whole.  
"Tucker broke off a piece of bread"

savannah  
/sə'vanə/

turn someone/something loose  
idiom  
to free or to remove anything that limits the action of someone or something:  
He turned the horse loose in the field.

done for  
phrase of done  
INFORMAL  
in a situation so bad that it is impossible to get out.  
"if the guard sees us, we're done for"

morose  
/mɒ'reʊs/  
adjective

sullen and ill-tempered.

"she was morose and silent when she got home"

scenery /'si:nəri/

enjoy/take in the scenery (=spend time looking at beautiful scenery)

Relax with a glass of local wine while you take in the beautiful scenery.

heirloom

/ 'ɛ:lu:m/

noun

a valuable object that has belonged to a family for several generations.

"the violin was a family heirloom"

shun /ʃʌn/ verb (shunned, shunning) [transitive]

to deliberately avoid someone or something

a shy woman who shunned publicity

Victims of the disease found themselves shunned by society.

adorn

/ə'dɔ:n/

verb

make more beautiful or attractive.

"pictures and prints adorned his walls"

remedy

/ 'rɛmɪdi/

noun

1.

a medicine or treatment for a disease or injury.

"herbal remedies for aches and pains"

bustle<sup>1</sup>

/ 'bʌsl/

verb

move in an energetic and busy manner.

"people clutching clipboards bustled about"

Hamelin (/ 'hæməlɪn/

standard

/ 'stændəd/

knowledge / 'nɒlɪdʒ/

a riot of colour

something with many different bright colours

The garden is a riot of colour in spring.

echo  
/ˈɛkəʊ/

cavern  
/ˈkavn/

squiggle  
/ˈskwɪɡl/  
noun

a short line that curls and loops in an irregular way.

"some prescriptions are a series of meaningless squiggles"

A wiggle is the movement that you make with your body; a jiggle is the way something (like jelly) shakes as a result of being moved. A wiggle could cause a jiggle.

petal  
/ˈpetl/

go overboard  
phrase of overboard

1.

be very enthusiastic.

"Garry went overboard for you"

2.

react in an immoderate way.

"Chris has a bit of a temper and can sometimes go overboard"

pass off  
phrasal verb of pass

1.

falsely represent a person or thing as being someone or something else.

"the drink was packaged in champagne bottles and was being passed off as the real stuff"

evade or lightly dismiss an awkward remark.

"he made a light joke and passed it off"

you bet your ass  
phrase of ass  
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you can be very sure.

"you can bet your ass I'll go for it every time"

When Jane remembered it was his birthday, she hightailed it to the bakery for a cake.

hightail it  
Add to word list

to leave or go somewhere in a great hurry:

As soon as I heard he was coming I hightailed it out of there.



it figures

idiom

US, informal

: it is reasonable, normal or expected : it is not surprising

It figures that he would be late today.

"He's late." "Well, it figures."

raise hell

phrase of raise

INFORMAL

make a noisy disturbance.

"lager louts raising hell in the Home Counties"

apprehensive

/ˌapɪˈhɛnsɪv/

adjective

1.

anxious or fearful that something bad or unpleasant will happen.

"he felt apprehensive about going home"

the lesser of two evils

idiom

Add to word list

the less unpleasant of two choices, neither of which is good:

But allowing a criminal to go free is perhaps the lesser of two evils if the alternative is imprisoning an innocent person.

not see hide nor hair of someone

idiom informal

Add to word list

to not see someone at all over a period of time:

I haven't seen hide nor hair of her since last Friday.

yap

/jap/

verb

give a sharp, shrill bark.

"the dachshunds yapped at his heels"

encompass

/ɪnˈkʌmpəs, ɛnˈkʌmpəs/

verb

1.

surround and have or hold within.

"this area of London encompasses Piccadilly to the north and St James's Park to the south"

include comprehensively.

"no studies encompass all sectors of medical care"

neuter

/ˈnjuːtə/

adjective

1.

of or denoting a gender of nouns in some languages, typically contrasting with masculine and feminine or common.

"the Spirit is a neuter word in Greek"

scourge

/skəːdʒ/

a whip used as an instrument of punishment.

much to someone's regret

idiom

: causing someone great disappointment

Much to my parents' regret, I decided not to go to college.

After a tree has been cut and felled, the stump or tree stump is usually a small remaining portion of the trunk with the roots still in the ground.

stock-still

/stɒkˈstɪl/

adverb

without any movement; completely still.

"he stood stock-still"

rub off on someone

to become part of someone because that person has been in a place where it was present:

I like to think that our love of reading will rub off on our children.

schmuck

/ʃmʌk/

noun INFORMAL • NORTH AMERICAN

a foolish or contemptible person.

"you've really got to be some schmuck to fall for that one"

To learn something off by heart is common in my part of England. Just means to learn something so that you won't forget it, particularly for songs, poems etc.

San Francisco (/ˌsæn frənˈsɪskoʊ/

congruent

/ˈkɒŋgruent/

adjective

1.

in agreement or harmony.

"the rules may not be congruent with the requirements of the law"

If one thing is congruent with another thing, they are similar or fit together well.

[formal]

They want to work in an organisation whose values are congruent with their own.

hamper2

/ˈhampə/

hinder or impede the movement or progress of.

"their work is hampered by lack of funds"

inherent

/ɪnˈhɛrənt, ɪnˈhɪərənt/

paucity

/ˈpɔːsɪti/

noun

the presence of something in only small or insufficient quantities or amounts.

"a paucity of information"

honed in; honing in; hones in

intransitive verb

: to move toward or focus attention on an objective

looking back for the ball honing in

—George Plimpton

a missile honing in on its target

—Bob Greene

hones in on the plights and victories of the common man

—Lisa Russell

supplant

/səˈplɑːnt/

verb

supersede and replace.

"domestic production has been supplanted by imports and jobs have been lost"

get on with something

(also get along with something) used to talk or ask about how well somebody is doing a task

I'm not getting on very fast with this job.

to continue doing something, especially after you have been interrupted

Be quiet and get on with your work.

(informal) Get on with it! We haven't got all day.

contrite

/ˈkɒntrɪt, kənˈtrɪt/

adjective

adjective: contrite

feeling or expressing remorse at the recognition that one has done wrong.

"a contrite tone"

An admission nurse is the first point of contact between a patient and hospital.

orderly

/ˈɔːdəli/

an attendant in a hospital responsible for the non-medical care of patients and the maintenance of order and cleanliness.

2.

a soldier who carries out orders or performs minor tasks for an officer.

rumpled

/ˈrʌmpld/

adjective

creased, ruffled, or dishevelled in appearance.

"a rumpled bed"