

AGRICULTURE

confinement feeding

/kən'faɪnmənt fɪdɪŋ/ (say kuhn'fuynmuhnt feeding)

noun an intensive feeding system in which animals are kept in a confined area in which they are provided with feed and water; feedlotting.

PAPP

/pæp/ (say pap)

noun an ingredient in toxic baits designed for use in the management of wild dogs and foxes.

[p(ara-)a(mino)p(ropio)p(henone)]

pastured

/'pɑːstʃəd/ (say 'pɑːschuhd)

1. (of a chicken) allowed to access an open field at a density of up to 1500 birds per hectare.
2. of or denoting the eggs of such chickens. Compare **barn-laid**, **caged**, **free-range**.

radiation garden

/reɪdɪ'eɪʃən ɡɑːdn/ (say raydee'ayshuhn ɡahdn)

noun a garden, enclosed by a shielding wall, in which plants are bombarded with gamma rays to generate mutations with new and possibly useful traits.

Also, **gamma garden**.

youlk

/jʊlk/ (say yoolk)

noun a perennial apiaceous plant of WA, *Platysace deflexa*, with a sweet-tasting yellow tuber; bush carrot; Ravensthorpe radish.

[Australian Aboriginal; Nyungar]



ARTS

cosy mystery

/ˈkɒʊzi mɪstri/ (say ˈkɒʊzi mɪstri)

noun a genre of mystery writing in which elements of sex and violence are downplayed, the action being set in a genteel social context.

Also, **cosy crime**.

cratedigger

/ˈkreɪdɪɡə/ (say ˈkreɪdɪɡə)

noun **1.** a person who engages in searching for rare and valuable vinyl records in second-hand shops, markets, etc.

2. a DJ who has a large collection of vinyl records for use in performance.

3. a style of music that uses samples taken from obscure recordings.

[from the notion that old vinyl records are often presented for sale in milk *crates*]

fridging

/ˈfrɪdʒɪŋ/ (say ˈfrɪdʒɪŋ)

noun the killing off of a character in a story, usually a woman, the character being emotionally close to the hero so that the hero will be devastated by the event and be motivated to undertake further actions.

[from the comic strip *Green Lantern* (1940) in which the villain leaves the corpse of the hero's girlfriend in a refrigerator for the hero to find]

mumblecore

/ˈmʌmbəlˌkɔː/ (say ˈmʌmbəlˌkɔː)

noun *Film* a genre of independent film characterised by improvised acting and natural dialogue, and a focus on personal relationships, usually of people in early adulthood.

[*mumble* (from the perception that the actors constantly *mumble* their lines) + (*hard*)*core*]

racebending

/ˈreɪsbendɪŋ/ (say ˈreɪsbendɪŋ)

noun the process of altering the ethnicity of a character in a book, film, etc., for a new version of it.



BUSINESS

BYOT

/bi wai oo 'ti/ (say bee wuy oh 'tee)

noun a policy as in business, education, etc., that employees, students, etc., should be encouraged to bring their own digital devices to work, school, etc.

[*B(ring) Y(our) O(wn) T(echnology)*]

digital nomad

/dɪdʒɪtəl 'noʊmæd/ (say dijuhtuhl 'nohmad)

noun a person who uses communications technology to make it possible for them to carry on their work in whatever location they happen to be, in contrast with the previous custom of working regular hours in a fixed office.

gateway product

/'geɪtweɪ prɒdʌkt/ (say 'gaytway produkt)

noun a product purchased for a modest outlay, leading, however, to the purchase of other related products.

omnichannel

/'ɒmnɪtʃænəl/ (say 'omneechanuhl)

noun a business model that aims to give the customer all possible avenues of contact, as in shops, on websites, via mobile phones, etc., to enhance the customer's experience.

standing desk

/'stændɪŋ dɛsk/ (say 'standing desk)

noun a desk which is raised to a height so that the person using it can stand, the desk being fixed at that height or being adjustable to the height required for sitting or standing.



COLLOQUIAL

clapback

/ˈklæpbæk/ (say ˈklapbak)

noun Originally US Colloquial a comment made in response to an insult or criticism; retort.

[from the phrase *clap back* (from the West Indian English use of *clap* to shoot)]

dronie

/'droni/ (say 'drohnee)

noun Colloquial an aerial selfie using a drone camera.

[*dron(e)* + (*self*)*ie*]

haram dingo

/hɑːrɑːm ˈdɪŋɡoo/ (say hah.rahm ˈdɪŋgoh)

noun Colloquial someone who puts haram food such as tomato sauce on halal food.

[*haram* forbidden by Islamic law + *dingo* used as an epithet for an Australian]

shoefiti

/ʃuˈfɪti/ (say shooh'feetee)

noun Colloquial the practice of tossing shoes, joined by the laces, over power lines, high branches on trees, etc.

[*shoe* + (*graf*)*fiti*]

side eye

/'saɪd aɪ/ (say 'suyd uh) Originally US Colloquial

–*noun* **1.** a disdainful or scornful look.

–*phrase* **2.** **give someone the side eye**, to look sideways in a disdainful or scornful manner at someone.



COMMUNICATIONS

confirmation journalism

/ˌkɒnfəmeɪʃən ˈdʒɜːnəlɪzəm/ (say konfuhmayshuhn ˈjɜːnuhlizuhm)

noun the tendency of the media to offer news and information that confirms the views of their audience or readership.

fake news

/feɪk ˈnjuːz/ (say fayk ˈnyoozh)

plural noun disinformation and hoaxes published on websites for political purposes or to drive web traffic, the incorrect information being passed along by social media.

hate-watch

/'heit-wɒtʃ/ (say ˈhayt-woch)

verb (t) Colloquial to commit to watching (a television program) even though either the production or the content is considered by the viewer to be inferior.

–**hate-watching**, *noun*

–**hate-watcher**, *noun*

speed geeking

/'spɪd ɡiːkɪŋ/ (say ˈspeed ɡeeking)

noun a format for a group discussion in which participants each give a short presentation.

virtue signalling

/'vɜːtʃu ˌsɪɡnəlɪŋ/ (say ˈverchooh signuhling)

noun Politics an expression of opinion, either favourable or unfavourable, which is intended to indicate to others that the person uttering it holds views in line with what is considered to be correct, thus promoting their social standing.

[coined in 2015 by British author James Bartholomew]



EATING AND DRINKING

deconstructed coffee

/dikənstrʌktəd 'kɒfi/ (say deekuhnstruktuhd 'kofee)

noun coffee served in three containers, one with warm milk, one with water, and the third with espresso coffee, so that the drinker can mix to their own taste.

frosé

/froʊ 'zeɪ/ (say froh'zay)

noun a cocktail which is a blend of ice, rosé and sugar, sometimes with fruit such as strawberries or raspberries, the whole being blended into a slushy.

halal snack pack

noun a fast food comprising layers of hot chips, grated cheese, halal doner kebab meat, garlic sauce, barbecue sauce and chilli sauce. *Abbrev.:* HSP

smash cake

/'smæʃ keɪk/ (say 'smash kayk)

noun a birthday cake for a small child which is meant to be given to them to eat or play with as they choose, the cake often being destroyed in the process.

spiralise

/'spairəlaɪz/ (say 'spuyruhluɪz)

verb (t) (**spiralised, spiralising**)
to shred (vegetables) into ribbon or noodle-like lengths which form loose curls.

Also, **spiralize**.



ENVIRONMENT

eco-cred

/ˈiːkoʊ-kred/ (say 'eekoh-kred)

noun credibility or respect among people who care for the environment, as by taking action or implementing policy that is beneficial to the environment.

fatberg

/ˈfætɜːɡ/ (say 'fatberg)

noun a congealed mass in a sewer system consisting of material that does not break down, as fat, sanitary items, etc., which has to be removed to unblock the system.

[*fat* + (*ice*)*berg*]

freecycle

/ˈfriːsaɪkəl/ (say 'freesuykuhl)

verb (t) (**freecycled, freecycling**)

to give away (items) so that they can be used again by others, by placing them in a public area so that people can take them away as they wish.

–**freecycling**, *noun*

koala ladder

/kooˈalə lædə/ (say koh'ahluh laduh)

noun a rope mesh stretched across a man-made obstacle, such as a freeway, to assist koalas to cross safely.

microbead

/ˈmaɪkrəʊbɪd/ (say 'muykrohbeed)

noun a microscopic sphere of plastic, a quantity of which is used in cosmetics, exfoliating treatments, health products, toothpaste, etc., and in some biomedical research processes; an environmental hazard because they are not trapped by filtering processes for wastewater and can cause plastic particle water pollution.



FASHION

athevening

/æθ'ivniŋ/ (say ath'eevning)

noun a form of athleisure designed to be worn when going out at night.

body bow

/'bɒdi boʊ/ (say 'bodee boh)

noun a style of women's lingerie comprising a large sash draped around the body and tied in a bow.

greige

/greɪʒ/ (say grayzh)

adjective a warm grey, that is, grey with some brown in it.

[blend of *grey* and *beige*]

modest wear

/'mɒdəst weə/ (say 'moduhst wair)

noun clothing designed to be stylish but to conform to the dress code of Muslim women in terms of covering the body and head in public.

underboob

/'ʌndəbʊb/ (say 'unduhboohb)

noun the lower part of the breast which protrudes from clothing such as bikini tops, crop tops, etc., designed to be revealing in this way.



GENERAL INTEREST

complying development

/kəmplaɪŋ də'veləpmənt/ (say kuhmplayɪŋ duh'veluhpmuht)

noun a residential, commercial, or industrial development which, because it complies with specified criteria, can be fast-tracked by a council and does not need a full development application.

Norman door

/nɔːmən 'dɔː/ (say nawmuhn 'daw)

noun **1.** a badly designed door which does not give the user any guidance on how to open it, whether to push or pull.

2. any object or device which causes a doubt in the mind of the user as to how to approach using it.

[named after Don Norman, US author of *The Design of Everyday Things* (1988)]

resting bitch face

noun *Colloquial* the facial expression of someone whose face, when it is at rest, appears to convey irritation, displeasure, etc., in a way that is completely unintended. *Abbrev.:* RBF

Also, **bitchy resting face**.

rumbler alarm

/'rʌmblər əlɑːm/ (say 'rumbluhr uhlahm)

noun an alarm on a fire engine or other emergency vehicle which emits a low-frequency sound designed to alert people who are prevented from hearing an ordinary alarm by traffic noise, mobile phones with ear plugs, etc.

Also, **rumbler siren**.

savannasaurus

/səvænə'sɔːrəs/ (say suhvanuh'sawruhs)

noun a sauropod dinosaur from the Late Cretaceous period, being the only representative of its genus; remains of the holotype specimen were found in central western Qld in 2005.



HEALTH

blushwood

/ˈblʌʃwʊd/ (say ˈblushwood)

noun an euphorbiaceous tree, *Hylandia dockrillii*, from the berries of which a compound, EBC-46, is extracted which is active against cancers, cutting off the supply of blood to the cancer and activating the body's immune system; found in the rainforests of northern Qld.

flakka

/ˈflækə/ (say ˈflakuh)

noun a designer drug, made from alpha PVP, an amphetamine-like drug, which can induce enhanced alertness, energy and stimulation, accompanied by hallucinations and paranoia.

[origin unknown; devised name]

patient navigator

/peɪʃənt ˈnævəgeɪtə/ (say payshuhnt ˈnavuhgaytuh)

noun an administrative support person who assists a patient to manage their illness and make the best use of the health system by coordinating healthcare teams and resource providers.

thunderstorm asthma

/θʌndəstɔm ˈæsmə/ (say thunduhstawn ˈasmuh)

noun a severe form of asthma brought on by a thunderstorm which splits pollen that is too big to enter the airways into smaller particles that can reach the small airways of the lungs and cause an asthma attack.

zika virus

/ˈzɪkə vaɪrəs/ (say ˈzeekuh vuyruhs)

noun a flavivirus transmitted by the *Aedes* mosquito, causing symptoms similar to dengue fever; thought to cause microcephaly in the offspring of women who contract the virus when pregnant.

Also, **zika**. [named after the *Zika* Forest in Uganda where it was first isolated in 1947]



INTERNET

blockchain

/'blɒktʃeɪn/ (say 'blokchayn)

noun a software system for providing a decentralised record of transactions, as on a stock exchange, in which each participant keeps a record of all transactions ever made which is updated through peer-to-peer verification.

Also, **blockchain technology, distributed ledger technology.**

click factor

/'kɪk fæktə/ (say 'klik faktuh)

noun a trigger to a person accessing a website that encourages them to explore it further.

face swap

/'feɪs swɒp/ (say 'fays swɒp)

verb (i) (face swapped, face swapping)

to superimpose the digital image of a person, animal, or thing, onto the face of the subject of a photograph, especially when both images being swapped appear in the original photograph.

–**face swapping**, *noun*

filter bubble

/'fɪltə bʌbəl/ (say 'filtuh bubuhl)

noun an information environment which, because of the ability of search engines on the internet and technology on social media to build on the user's personal preferences, ultimately excludes all information that is not in accord with the user's opinions.

sextortion

/sɛks'tɔʃən/ (say seks'tawshuhn)

noun an online form of blackmail in which the victim's computer is hacked to find sexually explicit photos, the victim then being asked to send more such photos on the threat of having the original photo sent to everyone in their address list.

[blend of *sex* and *extortion*]



POLITICS

alt-right

/ɔlt-'raɪt/ (say awlt-'ruyt)

adjective **1.** extremely right-wing.

–*noun* **2.** such a person.

3. the alt-right, the far-right political movement.

[*alt-* alternative + *right* (*wing*)]

dark money

/'dɑk mʌni/ (say 'dahk muneɪ)

noun political funding given to non-profit organisations which are not required to disclose their donors, the funding channelled in this way being used to influence political outcomes beneficial to the original donors.

double-d

/dʌbəl-'di/ (say dubuhl-'dee)

noun *Australian Politics Colloquial* a double dissolution of parliament.

foreign fighter

/fɔrən 'faɪtə/ (say foruhn 'fuytuh)

noun a person who leaves his or her own country to fight for a group with whom they share a religion, ideology or kinship; prohibited by foreign incursion laws in Australia.

post-truth

/pəʊst-'truθ/ (say pohst-'trooth)

adjective of or relating to a style of political debate in which the truth of what is said is unimportant by comparison with its emotional appeal to the voters.

Also, **post-factual**.



SOCIAL INTEREST

enby

/ˈɛnbi/ (say ˈenbee)

adjective **1.** not identifying as male or female; non-binary.

–noun (plural enbies)

2. a non-binary person.

[pronunciation of *NB* standing for *non-binary*]

free-range parenting

/fri-rɛndʒ ˈpɛərɒntɪŋ/ (say free-raynj ˈpairruhnting)

noun a parenting style in which children are encouraged to be independent, even if this results in the occasional misadventure. Compare **helicopter parenting**.

–free-range parent, noun

loud fence

/ˈlaʊd fɛns/ (say ˈlowd fɛns)

noun a fence which is part of a church, religious school, etc., onto which people protesting sexual abuse perpetrated by clergy tie brightly coloured ribbons as a symbol of support for the victims.

[trademark of the Loud Fence Movement]

safe space

/seɪf ˈspeɪs/ (say sayf ˈspays)

noun a social environment, as an office, school, or online forum, etc., declared as being safe for everyone regardless of race, religious affiliation, sex, gender, sexuality, etc.

spit hood

/ˈspɪt hʊd/ (say ˈspit hood)

noun a hood, usually made of lightweight and transparent fabric, placed over the head of a person detained by police, a prison inmate, etc., to catch any spit, blood, or other bodily fluids which may present a health threat to the law enforcement personnel.

Also, **spit mask**, **spit sock hood**.



SPORT

bubble soccer

/ˈbʌbəl sɒkə/ (say ˈbubuhl sokuh)

noun a soccer game in which each player wears an inflated plastic torus-shaped sheath covering the upper body and head.

Also, **bubble football**. [from the idea that the player is inside a *bubble*]

flyboard

/ˈflaɪbɔːd/ (say ˈfluybawd)

noun a small platform, similar to a hoverboard, on which the rider stands, which is propelled through the air or the water by jets of water coming from an attached hose linked to a watercraft.

[trademark]

–**flyboarding**, *noun*

–**flyboarder**, *noun*

quidditch

/ˈkwɪdɪtʃ/ (say ˈkwidich)

noun a game played by two teams of seven players, each carrying a broom between their legs, the aim being to score goals by putting a ball through any of three vertical hoops which stand, at varying heights, at each end of the field; various forms of deflection and interference are employed to impede the opposition, and bonus points are awarded for gaining possession of a particular object attached to a player who is not a member of either team.

[an adaptation of *Quidditch*, a fictional sport in the Harry Potter series of fantasy novels (1997–2007) by JK Rowling]

skywalking

/ˈskɑːwɒkɪŋ/ (say ˈskuywawking)

noun an extreme activity in which a person climbs or walks on an extremely high structure, as a bridge, building, construction site, etc., to take photographs of himself or herself in a precarious position, usually with the aim of posting it on the internet; rooftopping.

–**skywalker**, *noun*

WCMX

/dʌbəlju si ɛm ˈɛks/ (say dubuhlyooh see em ˈeks)

noun a wheelchair sport in which riders perform tricks such as backflips and spins, on a track similar to a skate park.

[*w(heel)c(hair) + (B)MX*]



TECHNOLOGY

bug bounty

/ˈbʌg baʊnti/ (say 'bug bowntee)

noun Computers a reward offered by website and software developers to anyone who detects and reports a bug in their system.

driverless car

/draɪvələs 'ka/ (say druyvuhlus 'kah)

noun a computer-operated car which is able to drive itself on a public thoroughfare using radar, lidar, GPS, odometry, and computer vision to navigate its way safely.

Also, **autonomous car**.

FANG stock

/'fæŋ stɒk/ (say 'fang stok)

noun Finance the high-performing tech stock of Facebook, Amazon, Netflix and Alphabet (formerly Google).

[coined by US journalist, Jim Cramer, from the initial letters of *Facebook, Amazon, Netflix* and *Google*]

plyscrapers

/'plɑːskreɪpə/ (say 'pluyskraypuh)

noun a skyscraper built using super-strong, engineered wood products which are as tough as steel or concrete.

[*ply(wood) + (sky)scrapers*; from the notion that the technology used in making plywood has been extended to create strong wood products, such as cross-laminated timber]

stentrode

/'stentroʊd/ (say 'stentrohd)

noun a stent containing twelve electrodes which is inserted into the jugular vein at the neck and pushed up the vein until it reaches the brain's motor cortex, where it receives neural signals to initiate movement which it sends to a computer interface controlling prosthetic limbs or an exoskeleton supporting the body.

[blend of *stent* and *electrode*]

