

SHORTLIST

Committee's Choice category winners

AGRICULTURE	youlk	<i>noun</i> a perennial apiaceous plant of WA, <i>Platysace deflexa</i> , with a sweet-tasting yellow tuber; bush carrot; Ravensthorpe radish. [Australian Aboriginal; Nyungar]
ARTS	racebending	<i>noun</i> the process of altering the ethnicity of a character in a book, film, etc., for a new version of it.
BUSINESS	standing desk	<i>noun</i> 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	shoefiti	<i>noun</i> <i>Colloquial</i> the practice of tossing shoes, joined by the laces, over power lines, high branches on trees, etc. [<i>shoe</i> + (<i>graf</i>) <i>fiti</i>]
COMMUNICATION	fake news	<i>plural noun</i> disinformation and hoaxes published on websites for political purposes or to drive web traffic, the incorrect information being passed along by social media.
EATING AND DRINKING	halal snack pack	<i>noun</i> a fast food comprising layers of hot chips, grated cheese, halal doner kebab meat, garlic sauce, barbecue sauce and chilli sauce. <i>Abbrev.:</i> HSP
ENVIRONMENT	fatberg	<i>noun</i> 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. [<i>fat</i> + (<i>ice</i>) <i>berg</i>]
FASHION	greige	<i>adjective</i> a warm grey, that is, grey with some brown in it. [blend of <i>grey</i> and <i>beige</i>]
GENERAL INTEREST	rumbler alarm	<i>noun</i> 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 .
HEALTH	patient navigator	<i>noun</i> 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.
INTERNET	filter bubble	<i>noun</i> 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.
POLITICS	alt-right	<i>adjective</i> 1. extremely right-wing. – <i>noun</i> 2. such a person. 3. the alt-right , the far-right political movement. [<i>alt-</i> alternative + <i>right</i> (<i>wing</i>)]
SOCIAL INTEREST	enby	<i>adjective</i> 1. not identifying as male or female; non-binary. – <i>noun</i> (<i>plural</i> enbies) 2. a non-binary person. [pronunciation of <i>NB</i> standing for <i>non-binary</i>]
SPORT	bubble soccer	<i>noun</i> 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 <i>bubble</i>]
TECHNOLOGY	plyscrapper	<i>noun</i> a skyscraper built using super-strong, engineered wood products which are as tough as steel or concrete. [<i>ply</i> (<i>wood</i>) + (<i>sky</i>) <i>scrapper</i> ; from the notion that the technology used in making plywood has been extended to create strong wood products such as cross-laminated timber]

