

## AGRICULTURE

### **expedition shearing**

*noun* a work arrangement in which a team of shearers move from shed to shed for the duration of the shearing season.

Also, **camp-out shearing**.

### **pangola grass**

*noun* a low-growing, creeping perennial of tropical and subtropical regions, *Digitaria eriantha*, which spreads by runners; hardy and resistant to drought and waterlogging; an introduced pasture in Australia.

Also, **finger grass**.

### **peachcot**

*noun* a stone fruit with a smooth skin of an apricot colour with red tinges, larger than an apricot but smaller than a peach, with a blend of peach and apricot flavours.

[*peach* + (*apri*)cot]

### **polytunnel**

*noun* a greenhouse made by stretching polythene over a framework of metal hoops arranged in succession to form a tunnel-like structure.

[*poly*(*thene*) + *tunnel*]

### **pre-emergent**

*adjective* **1.** applied before the emergence of a pest, as a weed, fungus, insect, etc., so as to eliminate the pest quickly before it can damage a crop, lawn, etc.

–*noun* **2.** an agent, as a herbicide or insecticide, that is used in this way: *a pre-emergent for weeds*.



## ARTS

### **cuprocking**

*noun* a form of urban mural in which coloured plastic cups are placed in wire-mesh fences to create designs.

[devised by Sydney street artist Andy *Uprock* in the early 2000s and named by him by blending *cup* with his own surname]

– **cuprocker**, *noun*

### **dramality**

*noun* a television show or series that combines elements of scripted drama with the unscripted actuality of a reality show.

[blend of *drama* and *reality*]

### **trap music**

*noun* a genre of popular music which is similar to hip-hop in tempo and song structure but which has distinctive, repetitive drum patterns in the style of dub.

### **virtual choir**

*noun* a choir, the members of which upload video recordings of their parts to a video-sharing website which are then edited together to make the whole performance.

### **yarn bombing**

*noun* the covering of public fixtures such as power poles, statues, etc., in knitted or crocheted coloured yarn, as a form of street art.

–**yarn bomber**, *noun*



## BUSINESS

### **fiscal cliff**

*noun* **1.** *US* the point at which tax increases and spending cuts enforced by legislation come into effect as a result of the national debt reaching a certain level.

**2.** any extreme financial crisis, national, organisational or personal.

[from the idea that, under pressure from such drastic measures, the economy will fall off a notional cliff]

### **growth hacking**

*noun* the process of analysing the user experience of an existing IT product and expanding the number of users by adjustments to design, content, or functionality.

–**growth hacker**, *noun*

### **guanxi**

*noun* *Chinese English* the cultivation of personal and business relationships through contacts and mutual aid, a cultural feature of Chinese society.

### **robotic trading**

*noun* *Stock Exchange* trading on the stock exchange carried out by automated software, usually at great speed.

### **silos mentality**

*noun* a mental attitude which limits possibilities within the boundaries of one's own workplace, department, etc., especially in organisations that contain a number of different units of operation which do not cooperate.

[from the notion of a silo as an enclosed unit where the contents can go up and down but not across to other sites]



## COLLOQUIAL

### **cock-block**

*verb (t) Colloquial* to interfere with and thwart the advances made by (a male) to a prospective sexual partner, either intentionally or accidentally, as by making disparaging remarks about him, monopolising the attention of the prospective partner, etc.

–**cock-blocker**, *noun*

### **dilligaf**

*interjection Colloquial* (an exclamation of derisive scorn.)

[acronym formed from *do I look like I give a fuck?*]

### **Maussie**

*noun Colloquial* a Maori who has left New Zealand and taken up residence in Australia. Also, **Mauzzie**.

### **props**

*noun Colloquial* respect; admiration: *props to you, man!*

[Black American English *prop(er respect) + -S*]

### **wine flu**

*noun Colloquial* a hangover.



## COMMUNICATIONS

### **data journalism**

*noun* journalism which relies on the interpretation of numerical data, often presented as graphs.

### **over-the-top TV**

*noun* television services provided over the internet and delivered through a broadband connection. Also, **OTT TV**, **internet TV**, **broadband TV**.

[from the notion that it goes over the top of the traditional TV channels]

### **phantom vibration syndrome**

*noun* a syndrome characterised by constant anxiety in relation to one's mobile phone and an obsessional conviction that the phone has vibrated in response to an incoming call when in fact it hasn't.

Also, **phantom phone vibration syndrome**.

### **second screen**

*noun* a smartphone or tablet used as a vehicle for comment, feedback, or research conducted while watching a television program.

–**second screener**, *noun*

–**second screening**, *noun*

### **social reading**

*noun* the engagement with others in the reading of an ebook through a social network, allowing the reader to document their reading experience and share it with others.

[*social (network) + reading*]

–**social reader**, *noun*



## EATING AND DRINKING

### apera

*noun* a fortified and blended wine of Australia, ranging in taste from dry to very sweet.  
[derived from *aperitif*]

### conche

*noun* **1.** a device for mixing and agitating cocoa butter and chocolate, the frictional heat obtained causing oxidation which provides flavour.

–*verb* (*t*) (**conched, conching**) **2.** to subject (chocolate) to this process.

[from the resemblance of the vessels originally used to a conch shell]

–**conching**, *noun*

### izakaya

*noun* a traditional Japanese style of drinking establishment in which food items are also served.  
[Japanese *i to stay* + *sakaya* sake shop]

### konjac

*noun* a perennial plant, *Amorphophallus konjac*, with a large corm used to create flour and then a jelly which is cut into strips to create a foodstuff similar to pasta; native to warm subtropical to tropical eastern Asia..

[Japanese *konnyaku*]

### shirataki

*noun* thin, translucent, gelatinous noodles made from konjac.

Also, **shirataki noodles**.

[Japanese: white waterfall, from the appearance of the noodles]



## ENVIRONMENT

### **blue revolution**

*noun* the development of new technologies in aquaculture designed to protect the environment and increase food production.

### **corridor conservation**

*noun* an environmental conservation policy that relies on a connected network of ecosystems, often linked by narrow strips of reserved land, that increases the likelihood of the survival of wildlife and the maintenance of biodiversity.

### **envirocrime**

*noun* offences which involve damage to the environment, as garbage dumping, graffiti spraying, vandalism, etc.

### **fugitive emissions**

*plural noun* unintended emissions of pollutant gases or vapours which escape from equipment through leaks, as methane gas from coal seam gas mines.

### **green tape**

*noun* the bureaucratic regulations and associated paperwork deriving from environmental legislation. [*green* (as relating to environmental concerns) + (*red*) *tape*]



## FASHION

### **engineer jacket**

*noun* a men's jacket in the style of those once worn by US engine- drivers.  
Also, **engineer's jacket**.

### **heel-less shoe**

*noun* a shoe which is shaped like a high-heel shoe but which is supported by a stiff sole plate rather than a heel.

### **hobo glove**

*noun* a style of glove with no fingertips.

### **jogger jeans**

*plural noun* a style of jeans thought of as suitable for jogging, often with a drawstring at the waist and with elasticised cuffs at the bottom of the pants.

### **jorts**

*plural noun* *Colloquial* shorts made from denim.  
[j(eans) + (sh)orts]





## GENERAL INTEREST

### Denisovan

*adjective* **1.** of, relating to, or designating a hominid inhabiting the earth at the same time as the Neanderthals and early modern human beings, but having genetic differences from both.

–*noun* **2.** such a hominid.

[from the *Denisova Cave* in Siberia in which a fossilised little finger of a young female was found in 2010, the extracted DNA leading to the identification of the species]

### drive-stun

*verb* (*t*) (**drive-stunned**, **drive-stunning**) to apply an unloaded stun gun to (a person), making contact with their body so as to administer an electric shock sufficient to cause pain but not to immobilise them.

Also, **drive-fire**.

### hot dog

*noun* a galaxy which is extremely bright but shrouded in dust with a mass that is concentrated in the black hole at the centre; possibly an early stage of galaxy evolution.

[*hot* + *d(ust)-o(bscured) g(alaxy)*]

### solidarity tourism

*noun* tourism undertaken by those who go to a particular location where the income derived from tourists is particularly needed, as to Bali after the Bali bombings, with the aim of helping the community.



## HEALTH

### **diabesity**

*noun* obesity accompanied by diabetes.  
[blend of *diabetes* and *obesity*]

### **integrative medicine**

*noun* a medical practice which combines Western medicine with alternative medicine.

### **passive drinking**

*noun* the flow-on of harmful effects from a person who has consumed too much alcohol to others connected to that person, as injuries from abuse or drink-driving, financial constraints, etc.  
[modelled on *passive smoking*]

### **sanctuary site**

*noun* *Medicine* an area of the body which is not reached by medical treatments, in which tumour cells or infectious organisms can survive to re-emerge at a later date.

### **self-quantifying**

*noun* the process by which an individual measures their physiological state, as by recording moods, sleep patterns, activity levels, consumption of food and drink, etc., especially by means of digital devices, often in order to achieve a specific goal such as weight loss, reduction of alcohol intake, improved sleep, etc.; body hacking.

Also, **self-tracking**.

–**self-quantifier**, *noun*



**INTERNET****crowdfunding**

*noun* the obtaining of small donations from individuals contacted through social networks, as to fund a project, support a cause, etc.

Also, **crowd source funding**.

–**crowdfunded**, *adjective*

**frape**

*verb* (t) (**fraped**, **fraping**) **1.** to gain access to (someone's Facebook page), either by hacking it or because it has been left logged on, in order to alter it without their permission, as by changing photographs, links, personal details, etc., or by making false posts; done as a prank or as a malicious attack.

**2.** to subject (a person) to such treatment of their Facebook page.

–*noun* **3.** such an attack on someone's Facebook page.

[F(acebook) + rape<sup>1</sup>]

–**fraping**, *noun*

–**frapeage**, *noun*

**lifelogging**

*noun* the publishing on the internet of information about oneself, as one's experiences or activities, tracked by means of computers or webcams attached to one's person which record and transmit data to a personal website which may then include personal commentary and interchanges with visitors to the site.

–**lifelogger**, *noun*

**mummy blog**

*noun* a blog which aims to share the thoughts and experiences of motherhood.

–**mummy blogger**, *noun*

**Usage (language):** Note that the use of the word *mummy* may cause offence in this context as it appears to be patronising and to trivialise the work of these bloggers.

**spam book**

*noun* **1.** an ebook version of a book, usually one in the public domain because of expired copyright, produced with little or no difference from the original and sold online under a different name and authorship.

**2.** an ebook which proves to be an advertainment, a plagiarised text, or an excerpt of an original title.



## POLITICS

### **alive call**

*noun* a telephone call facilitated by a government authority to allow someone who has arrived as an asylum seeker to ring relatives in his or her country of origin to let them know that they are still alive.

### **enterprise migration agreement**

*noun* a project-specific migration arrangement allowing foreign workers to enter Australia on a temporary basis to be employed on large-scale resource projects which cannot meet their workforce needs from the Australian population. *Abbrev.:* EMA

### **IMA**

*noun* a person who comes to Australia by boat and who does not have an appropriate visa.  
[*I*(rregular) *M*(aritime) *A*(rrival)]

### **green-on-blue**

*adjective* of, relating to, or designating armed combat between Afghan soldiers or police, usually insurgents who have infiltrated the Afghan security forces, and members of the coalition of US, British, Australian and other forces in Afghanistan.  
[from a military convention of colour coding, as for use on maps, where blue is used to denote friendly forces and green to denote neutral forces]

### **Sputnik moment**

*noun* a point in time in which an event occurs which is of critical significance in shaping the future.  
[with reference to Sputnik I, the first artificial satellite to orbit the earth]



## SOCIAL INTEREST

### **fibro majestic**

*noun (humorous)* a fibro house.

[humorous play on *Hydro Majestic*, a large resort hotel in the Blue Mountains, NSW; originally a real estate term used to indicate that such a house is well-kept and has some pleasing aspect to it]

### **First World problem**

*noun* a problem that relates to the affluent lifestyle associated with the First World, and that would never arise in the poverty-stricken circumstances of the Third World, as having to settle for plunger coffee when one's espresso machine is not functioning.

### **fourth age**

*noun* the final period of life, that of extreme old age, usually regarded as over 85 years of age and characterised by varying degrees of biological and functional decline.

[concept formulated in the work of Paul Baltes, 1939 - 2006, German psychologist]

### **homesteading**

*noun* the practice of living as self-sufficient a lifestyle as possible, based on ecological and sustainability considerations, as by growing produce and keeping livestock for the household's own needs, sourcing other produce needs from within the locality, sometimes also cultivating arts and crafts or making textiles for the needs of the household or for sale; usually in a country location, as on a homestead.

### **mummy porn**

*noun* a genre of erotic fiction designed for women.



## SPORT

### **bladerunner**

*noun* an athlete in a track event who is wearing a prosthetic blade or blades.

[*blade* (a blade-shaped prosthetic leg) + *runner*; with humorous reference to the film *Blade Runner* (1982)]

### **Celtic wrestling**

*noun* the traditional wrestling of Scotland, Cornwall, and Ireland, common in colonial times in Australia and revived in 2001 as a formal modern sport.

### **clutch point**

*noun Sport Colloquial* a moment in a game where the outcome is critical and the player has to perform under pressure.

[from *in the clutch*, a US expression referring to the need to perform under pressure]

### **live betting**

*noun* betting conducted while a race or match is in progress.

Also, **in-play betting**, **in-the-run betting**, **in-game betting**.

### **marngrook**

*noun* a type of football played by Aboriginal people of south-eastern Australia before European settlement, being characterised by large numbers of players covering a wide area of ground, a ball made from stuffed animal skin, and a style of play which involved dropping the ball onto the foot and kicking it, and leaping high above others to catch it; seen as an influence on Australian Rules.

[in various Victorian Aboriginal languages: game ball]



## TECHNOLOGY

### **computer forensics**

*plural noun* the analysis of information contained within a computer or computerised device, especially in relation to some criminal activity for which the computer or device was used.

### **digital archaeology**

*noun* the process of discovering, decoding, and preserving data held within software and hardware which has become defunct.

### **reflowable**

*adjective* (of an ebook) formatted so that, in the creation of the book, text can flow on from one page to another as insertions and deletions are made. (distinguished from *fixed layout*)

### **rogue robot**

*noun* *Stock Exchange* a malfunctioning robotic software application, usually having a detrimental effect on individual investments and the market as a whole.

### **technomite**

*noun* (*humorous*) a young child who is adept in the use of digital media.  
[*techno-* + *mite* (a very small child)]

