

## **AGRICULTURE**

## biofumigation

/ baroufjumə gersən/ (say .buyohfyoohmuh gayshuhn)

*noun* the suppression of weeds, fungi and insects using the natural chemical agents in selected plants, especially members of the *Brassica* genus, which are ploughed into the soil so that they can release such agents before a new crop is sown.

## **BLUP** procedure

/'blap prosidge/ (say 'blup pruhseejuh)

*noun* a method of arriving at an analysis of the genetic merit of individual breeding animals, using computers to process breeding history.

[B(est) L(inear) U(nbiased) P(rediction) + PROCEDURE]

## daughterless technology

/dɔtələs tɛkˈnɒlədʒi/ (say dawtuhluhs tekˈnoluhjee)

*noun* a procedure for eliminating a pest animal by introducing a species-specific modified gene into the male of the species which in their female offspring reduces fertility or survival, thus gradually driving the pest species to extinction; developed as a means to eliminate carp from Australian waterways.

# 3D syndrome

/θri 'di sındroum/ (say three 'dee sindrohm)

*noun* a disease of cattle, with symptoms including a high temperature accompanied by drooling and diarrhoea, with death occurring generally within one to five days of the symptoms appearing. [from the key signs of *drooling* and *diarrhoea* leading to *death*]

### crash grazing

/'kræʃ greizin/ (say 'krash grayzing)

*noun* a system of grazing animals on small sections of available land for short periods in rotation, each section being given six months to a year to recover, the benefit being better pasture and improved soil with better water retention.



## **ARTS**

### atomic typo

/ətpmik 'taipou/ (say uhtomik 'tuypoh)

noun (plural atomic typos)

a typographical error which produces a real word, although the wrong word, and is therefore not picked up by a spellchecker, as pubic for public, or three for there.

[from the notion that the mistake is usually very small, being one letter omitted or changed]

## binge watching

/'bind3 wptsin/ (say 'binj woching)

*noun* the practice of viewing a favourite television series, seeing many episodes in one extended sitting.

Also, binge viewing.

## shipper

/'fipə/ (say 'shipuh)

*noun* a person who imagines a romantic relationship between characters found in novels, films, TV series, etc., especially someone who writes stories exploring the relationship. [SHIP<sup>2</sup> + -ER<sup>1</sup>]

## pantser

/'pæntsə/ (say 'pantsuh)

*noun* a fiction writer who does not work to a plot or outline but improvises freely (opposed to the *plotter* who works out the structure in advance).

[from the phrase fly by the seat of one's pants]

### J-pop

/'dʒeɪ-ppp/ (say 'jay-pop)

*noun* a form of popular music originating in the 1990s in Japan, which blends the Western pop genre with Japanese traditional and folk music.

 $[J(APANESE) + POP^2]$ 





## **BUSINESS**

## activity-based working

/æk\_tıvəti-beist 'wakın/ (say ak.tivuhtee-bayst 'werking)

*noun* a style of organisation of a workplace, designed to have multiple areas intended to facilitate certain individual tasks, with other areas intended for group meetings, brainstorming, etc. *Abbrev*.: ABW

# drip pricing

/drip 'praisin/ (say drip 'pruysing)

*noun* a marketing strategy in which an initial price is pitched very low, the consumer or purchaser finding, only as the deal nears completion, that there are additional surcharges or fees incurred incrementally.

## job stopper

/'dʒpb stppə/ (say 'job stopuh)

*noun Colloquial* a tattoo on a part of the body which is visible when one is wearing work attire, as the hands, face, neck or forearms.

[from the notion that employers will hesitate to give an applicant a job if they see his or her tattoos]

### cryptocurrency

/ˈkrɪptoʊkʌrənsi/ (say ˈkriptohkuruhnsee)

noun a system of digital currency using data encryption.

## bamboo ceiling

/bæmbu 'silm/ (say bambooh 'seeling)

*noun* a barrier created by prejudice which hampers the progress of Asian Australians to positions of leadership in government and business institutions.

[modelled on GLASS CEILING]



# **COLLOQUIAL**

## flappity

/'flæpəti/ (say 'flapuhtee)

adjective Colloquial exhibiting signs of extreme excitement, anxiety, anger, etc. [from the phrase in a flap, see FLAP (def. 16)]

## mansplain

/'mænspleɪn/ (say 'mansplayn)

verb (t) Colloquial (humorous) (of a man) to explain (something) to a woman, in a way that is patronising because it assumes that a woman will be ignorant of the subject matter.

[MAN + (EX)PLAIN with s inserted to create a pronunciation link with explain]

-mansplaining, noun

#### voluntold

/vplən toold/ (say voluhntohld) Colloquial

-adjective 1. instructed to volunteer for something.-noun 2. a person instructed by another to volunteer.[VOLUN(TEER) + TOLD]

### jelly

/'dʒɛli/ (say 'jelee)

adjective Colloquial jealous: to be feeling jelly. [US slang (1970s); shortened form of JEALOUS]

#### dude bro

/'dud brov/ (say 'doohd broh)

*noun Colloquial* a man who displays an overt masculinity, adopting conventionally masculine dress style and behaviour, and attitudes which are characterised as sexist and homophobic. Also, **dudebro**.





## **COMMUNICATIONS**

#### casual sexism

/kæʒjuəl ˈsɛksɪzəm/ (say kazhyoohuhl ˈseksizuhm)

*noun* sexism which is ostensibly unintended by the speaker because it takes the form of humorous stereotyping, or common assumptions and misconceptions with regard to a particular sex, which are nonetheless hurtful to members of that sex who see themselves typified in this way in the jokes or observations.

## feelpinion

/'filpɪnjən/ (say 'feelpinyuhn)

*noun* an opinion based on one's personal experiences, intuition or feelings, rather than on research, analysis and fact.

-feelpinioning, noun

### take-home message

/'teik-houm mesidy/ (say 'tayk-hohm mesij)

*noun* the significant content or communication intended to stay in the minds of an audience after a performance, event, speech, etc.

Also, take-out message.

### wikiwash

/'wikiwpʃ/ (say 'wikeewosh)

verb(t) 1. to edit (an article on Wikipedia) to suit one's particular purposes, as for self-promotion or advocacy.

- -verb (i) 2. to edit Wikipedia in such a way.
- *–noun* **3.** such an editing process.
- -wikiwashing, noun

# emoji

/əˈmoʊdʒi/ (say uhˈmohjee)

*noun* a stylised set of ideographs, originally devised in Japan for use in electronic messages. [Japanese e picture + moji character]





## EATING AND DRINKING

### green coffee bean

*noun* a food supplement, extracted from the unroasted seeds of the coffee plant, used as a weight-loss supplement because of its action as a metabolism enhancer.

## share plate

/'ʃɛə pleɪt/ (say 'shair playt)

*noun* a serving in a restaurant designed as multiple small portions so that several diners can share the same dish.

### smoking gun

/'smookin gan/ (say 'smohking gun)

*noun* a handheld smoker, used to flavour food and drink, comprising a smoking chamber with a blower fan.

[trademark]

#### cold-brewed coffee

/koʊld-brud 'kɒfi/ (say kohld-broohd 'kofee)

*noun* a coffee beverage made by steeping coarsely ground coffee beans in cold water for about twelve hours, the brew then being strained, refrigerated and served cold.

# steel-cut oats

/stil-knt 'outs/ (say steel-kut 'ohts)

*plural noun* wholegrain groats from oat kernels which are steamed and cut into pieces to varying sizes; favoured for porridge in Scotland and Ireland. Compare **rolled oats**.



## **ENVIRONMENT**

### dry firefighting

/drai 'faiəfaitin/ (say druy 'fuyuhfuyting)

*noun* a method of fighting bushfires in which the fire is contained without the use of water, as by back-burning or the creation of firebreaks ahead of the fire front.

## green electricity

/grin εlək ˈtrɪsəti/ (say green eluhk ˈtrisuhtee)

*noun* electricity produced from renewable resources, such as wind, sunlight, etc. [GREEN (def. 5) + ELECTRICITY]

## super El Niño

noun an extreme version of the El Niño weather pattern, causing extended droughts.

## microplastics

/markrov'plæstrks/ (say muykroh'plastrks)

*plural noun* small particles of plastic in the environment, formed as larger plastic items degrade; considered to be a particular threat in the marine environment where they enter the food chain as fish eat them.

#### warmist

/'womost/ (say 'wawmuhst)

*noun* (*derogatory*) a person who accepts as a fact that global warming is occurring and that it is anthropogenic (opposed to *coolist*, a climate change sceptic).

Also, **global warmist**. [(GLOBAL) WARM(ING) + (ALARM)IST]





## **FASHION**

### bikini bridge

/bəˈkini brɪdʒ/ (say buhˈkeenee brij)

*noun* the effect created by a slim woman in a bikini lying on her back so that the top of the bikini bottom stretches from one protruding pelvic bone to the other, lifting the bikini above the abdomen.

#### mandal

/'mændəl/ (say 'manduhl)

*noun* a type of sandal designed for men, usually black or brown leather with a thick sole. [MAN + (SAN)DAL<sup>1</sup>]

#### facekini

/feis'kini/ (say fays'keenee)

*noun* a rubber covering for the whole head down to the collarbone, with holes for the eyes, nose and mouth; designed to protect swimmers from developing tanned skin on the face and neck.

#### normcore

/'nomko/ (say 'nawmkaw)

*noun* a unisex fashion characterised as being deliberately without a distinctive style or conscious attempt to impress.

[NORM(AL) + (HARD)CORE]

#### loom band

/'lum bænd/ (say 'loohm band)

*noun* a band woven from coloured rubber bands and used to make bracelets, key chains, necklaces, etc.





## **GENERAL INTEREST**

#### soft-roader

/'spft-roudə/ (say 'soft-rohduh)

*noun* a motor vehicle with all-wheel drive that is more suitable to off-road driving than a conventional car but without some of the features of an off-roader.

Also, **soft roader**.

### cat café

/kæt kæ'fei/ (say kat ka'fay)

*noun* a cafe which provides, in addition to the usual cafe fare, a number of cats with which the customers may interact.

### baby hatch

/'beibi hæts/ (say 'baybee hach)

*noun* a hatch, often located in a hospital building, church or community centre, which can be accessed from outside the building and where unwanted babies can be left so that they can be taken into care.

#### decision fatigue

/dəˈsɪʒən fətig/ (say duhˈsizhuhn fuhteeg)

*noun* impairment of one's judgement after a long period of decision-making, resulting in poor-quality decisions and poor impulse control.

### doge

/doug/ (say dohg), /doug/ (say dohzh)

*noun Internet* a language style which uses a grammatical structure in which a modifier is linked to another word, commonly a noun or a verb, in a way that does not follow the rules of standard grammar, as in *much eat*, *so respect*, *such delicious*.

[from the *Homestar Runner* internet cartoon in which the dog character misspelt *dog* as *d-o-g-e* which the character Strong Bad pronounced /doʊʒ/; applied as a name to the caption-writing style of an internet meme based on the shiba inu breed of dog (originally devised by a Japanese ESL teacher)





## **HEALTH**

### muscle dysmorphia

/masəl dis'məfiə/ (say musuhl dis'mawfeeuh)

*noun* a mental disorder, more common in men than women, in which a person is convinced that they are not sufficiently muscular, this belief leading to distorted eating habits and obsessive exercise regimes.

## oil pulling

/'oil pulin/ (say 'oyl pooling)

*noun* the Ayurvedic practice of rinsing the mouth with cold-pressed oil each day to remove bacteria which, having a fatty membrane, are collected by the oil and ultimately expelled from the mouth with the oil.

## emotional loop

/əmoʊʃənəl 'lup/ (say uhmohshuhnuhl 'loohp)

*noun* an uncompleted cycle in which an emotion, such as fear, anger, sadness, etc., is aroused but the issue is not resolved, this having negative effects on one's sense of purpose and wellbeing with recurring disruptive experiences of the unresolved emotional state.

## ambulance ramping

/'æmbjələns ræmpın/ (say 'ambyuhluhns ramping)

*noun* a situation in which ambulance officers cannot complete the transfer of a patient to a hospital's care due to a lack of appropriate staff, space, etc., in the hospital, the ambulance having to remain at the hospital and therefore being unavailable to go to the aid of other patients.

### kangaroo care

/kæŋgəˈru kɛə/ (say kangguhˈrooh kair)

*noun* a technique for nurturing newborn babies, especially pre-term babies, by placing them skin-to-skin on a parent for a period of time each day, thus providing physiological warmth and psychological bonding.

[likened to a kangaroo holding its young in its pouch]



### INTERNET

### greylisting

/'greilistin/ (say 'graylisting)

*noun* a method of dealing with spam emails, in which emails are temporarily rejected if they are from a sender that is not recognised, on the basis that legitimate emails will be resent by the original sender, spam email usually being sent only once.

#### neknominate

/nɛk'npməneɪt/ (say nek'nomuhnayt)

*noun* **1.** a social media game in which the initiator downs a large quantity of alcohol, usually combining this with stunts or outlandish behaviour, and then nominates friends to equal or better his or her performance, a nominated person who declines being subjected to ridicule online.

- *–verb* (*t*) (**neknominated**, **neknominating**)
- 2. to nominate (a friend) to engage in this game.

[nek (next) + NOMINATE; adaptation of social media coinage nek minnit ('next minute') popularised in 2011 by NZ street skater Levi Hawken]

-neknomination, noun

## watering hole attack

*noun Internet* a cyber attack on an organisation in which, rather than attacking the organisation's system directly, the perpetrator installs malware on a site observed to be frequently visited by members of the organisation, the malware eventually infecting the computer of one of the targeted group.

[from the notion that animals gather in numbers to drink at a watering hole, making them vulnerable to attack by predators]

### typosquatting

/'taipouskwptin/ (say 'tuypohskwoting)

*noun* a form of cybersquatting in which the perpetrator takes advantage of typing errors made in keying a domain name to draw people to an alternative site, used to obtain pay-per-click revenues, or to scam visitors or make them a target for malware; URL hijacking.

[TYPO + (CYBER)SQUATTING]

-typosquatter, noun

# glitcher

/'glɪtʃə/ (say 'glichuh)

noun Computer Games a person who takes an advantage using a fault in the game's software. [GLITCH (def. 2) + -ER<sup>1</sup>]



## **POLITICS**

### compassionista

/kəmpæʃəˈnɪstə/ (say kuhmpashuhˈnistuh)

*noun* a person who is an activist for compassion in the world. [COMPASSION + Italian -ista -IST]

## precariat

/prəˈkɛəriət/ (say pruhˈkaireeuht)

*noun* a social class comprising people whose lives lack security and predictability, particularly in relation to jobs, income and material wellbeing.

[PRECAR(IOUS) + (PROLETAR)IAT]

**–precarian**, adjective

#### **ICACable**

/'aıkækəbəl/ (say 'uykakuhbuhl)

*adjective* (of the actions, behaviour, negotiations, etc., of a politician, public servant, etc.) deemed to be worthy of scrutiny by the NSW Independent Commission Against Corruption (ICAC).

## defund

/di'fand/ (say dee'fund)

verb (t) Politics to stop the flow of government funds to (an organisation, enterprise, program, etc.).

## girlie man

/'g3li mæn/ (say 'gerlee man)

noun (plural girlie men)

Colloquial (derogatory) an effeminate male.

Also, **girly man**. [adaptation of US slang (1980s) *girlie boy* homosexual; used by Arnold Schwarzenegger (governor of California, 2003–2011) in the 1988 US presidential election]



## **SOCIAL INTEREST**

## push present

/'puʃ prεzənt/ (say 'poosh prezuhnt)

*noun* a gift, usually an item of jewellery, presented by the father of a newborn child to the mother, to mark the occasion of the birth; baby bauble.

Also, push gift.

### generation XL

/dʒɛnəreɪʃən ɛks'ɛl/ (say jenuh'rayshuhn eks 'el)

*noun Colloquial (humorous)* a generation with a large proportion of obese people, a condition thought to be a consequence of their sedentary lifestyle, and, in particular, of the increased amount of time they spend on digital devices.

[GENERATION + XL]

### lifehacking

/'laifhækin/ (say 'luyfhaking)

*noun* the application of strategies or shortcuts used to simplify or improve any aspect of one's life. [LIFE + HACKING<sup>2</sup>]

-lifehacker, noun

### blessingway

/'blesinwei/ (say 'blesingway)

*noun* **1.** a celebratory gathering held for a woman expecting a baby, in which the emphasis is on honouring her impending motherhood rather than on the giving of gifts for the baby, as at a baby shower.

- 2. a Navajo rite of passage:
- **a.** for a girl transitioning to womanhood at her menarche.
- **b.** for an expectant mother.

[Navajo hozhoji way of good hope, translated into English as blessing way]

## yummy

/'jami/ (say 'yumee)

noun (plural yummies)

a young urban male professional, typified as having disposable income and being prepared to spend it on his appearance, possessions, and lifestyle.

Also, **yummie**.  $[y(oung) u(rban) m(ale) + -m - + -Y^2]$ 





## **SPORT**

## canned hunting

/kænd 'hʌntɪŋ/ (say kand 'hunting)

*noun* trophy hunting for animals kept in a restricted area to increase the chance that the hunter will obtain a kill; banned or restricted in some countries.

[the ease of killing an animal likened to the ease of having food delivered in a CAN2]

## tombstoning

/'tumstoonin/ (say 'toohmstohning)

*noun* an extreme sport in which the participant jumps or dives into water from a very high point, as a cliff face, tall building, etc.

[British English (1990s); ? from *Tombstone* Rock, Devon, where this was done]

## slack lining

/'slæk lammy/ (say 'slak luyning)

*noun* the activity of balancing on a slack chain or rope strung between two marker points; similar to tightrope walking but requiring different skills because of the lack of tension in the line.

### dog surfing

/'dog safin/ (say 'dog serfing)

noun the sport of boardriding accompanied by one's dog, the dog balancing at the front of the board.

### urban exploration

/sbən ɛkspləˈreɪʃən/ (say erbuhn ekspluhˈrayshuhn)

*noun* the exploration of man-made structures in an urban environment, especially those which have been abandoned; combines photographic, historical and exploration interests and can be dangerous and, when it involves trespassing, illegal.

Also, urbex.





## **TECHNOLOGY**

## data glasses

/'deɪtə glasəz/ (say 'daytuh glahsuhz)

*plural noun* spectacles fitted with a device which allows the wearer to see the real world while at the same time accessing digital data through a dedicated section of the lens.

# **4D** printing

/fo di 'printin/ (say faw dee 'printing)

*noun* a developing technology building on 3D printing to produce an object which has, built into its structure, the ability to change shape or self-assemble at a later date, in response to a stimulus from its environment.

-4D printer, noun

## gerontechnology

/dʒɛrɒntɛkˈnɒlədʒi/ (say jerontekˈnoluhjee)

*noun* an interdisciplinary field of study which combines gerontology with technology to achieve technological solutions to support an ageing society.

-gerontechnologist, noun

### selfie stick

/'sɛlfi stɪk/ (say 'selfee stik)

*noun* a device which comprises an extendible rod with a flexible grip head for holding a camera, smart phone, etc., allowing the user to take a selfie from an appropriate distance and include more people in the frame, the camera being activated by a remote control or set to operate by a timer.

# dash cam

/'dæʃkæm/ (say 'dash kam)

*noun* a camera installed on the dashboard of a motor vehicle, designed to video the road ahead, in particular to provide evidence in the event of an accident.

