

## Chapter Six

### A Dictionary of English Duonyms

#### **Duonym (doo-o-nim)**

- n. 1. A single word formed by putting two existing words together
- 2. A continuousword

"It is a great honor to share a birthday with the originator of the duonyms 'doublethink' and 'doublespeak'."

The following is a dictionary of English duonyms. The word 'duonym,' which is modeled on the words 'synonym' and 'antonym,' refers to a single word formed by putting two existing words together to form a double word. This dictionary contains definitions and sample usage examples for each duonym. The word in parentheses after each duonym is intended as a guide to pronunciation.

#### **Adshirt (ad-shirt)**

n.: a tshirt with an ad or slogan on it

"I supplement my income by wearing adshirts in downtown Chicago."

#### **Automile (au-to-mile)**

n.: a short stretch of road that's filled with car dealers

"A one mile stretch of road in Norwood, Massachusetts is the original automile."

#### **Bananayellow (ba-na-na-yel-low)**

Adj.: a shade of yellow like the color of a half-ripened banana

"I'll take a Rolls if I can have it in bananayellow."

#### **Bandprint (band-print)**

- n. 1. The mark that a watch leaves on your arm when you take it off
- 2. A photograph of a musical group

"As she slowly undressed in the locker room, she felt the pressure of a dozen eyes on her as she took off her watch, revealing an embarrassing bandprint on her arm."

### **Beachperson (beach-per-son)**

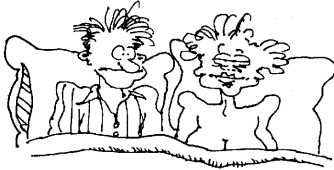
- n. 1. One who finds great enjoyment in being on a beach.
- 2. A funloving individual

"She has become a beachperson, and spends many hours dreaming about where to catch the next perfect wave."

### **Bedhead (bed-head)**

- n. 1. A condition of irregularly shaped hair, resulting from reclining
- 2. A person who typically has a bedhead

"After a restless night of fitful sleep, to my surprise I awoke with a bedhead."



### **Beerchaser (beer-cha-ser)**

n.: A salty snack that is consumed while drinking alcoholic beverages

"Once the beerchasers arrived, I had all I wanted; I could have sat there all night."

### **Blackhead (black-head)**

- n. 1. Anyone with black hair
- 2. Someone with a dark view of the future

"He is a typical blackhead and always looks at the darkest side of everything."

### **Blondhead (blond-head)**

- n. 1. Anyone with light yellowish brown to dark grayish yellow hair
- 2. Someone who thinks constantly about having fun

"A blondhead, he spends most of his days on the beach observing the scenery and eating hot dogs."

**Bluehead (blue-head)**

- n. 1. A person who seems always to be depressed  
2. An older woman who puts bluing in her hair

"Eventually I wearied of her, a bluehead, due to her unexplained tendency to be depressed at all times."

**Bluejeans (blue-jeans)**

n.: A type of usually blue close-fitting pants made of jean or denim (twillweave fabric) that are especially comfortable when worn

"She is sick of wearing uncomfortable clothes just because other people expect it. Knowing that her boss is out, she risks wearing bluejeans to work."

**Bluejeans-only-person (blue-jeans-only-per-son)**

n.: Someone who as a matter of policy wears bluejeans for pants on every possible occasion except when forced not to by others' expectations

"I am a bluejeans-only-person because dress clothes are uncomfortable and thus they reduce my productivity."

**Bonehead (bone-head)**

n.: Someone who is not very intelligent  
adj. Intended for someone who lacks knowledge of the fundamentals of a subject

"He had never learn the basic rules of grammar, so when he got to college he enrolled in bonehead English."

**Bowlhead (bowl-head)**

- n.: 1. An ardent fan of football bowl games, especially the Superbowl  
2. an early American style of haircut

"The bowlheads gather around the tube, anxiously awaiting the kickoff."

**Braindead (brain-dead)**

n.: A condition marked by the irreversible end of all brain functions

"As the doctor declared him braindead, his anxious relative breathed a sigh of relief."

### **Braindeadhead (brain-dead-head)**

n. A person who shows no apparent sign of having a brain

"A braindeadhead, he can never remember his own phone number."

### **Braintrust (brain-trust)**

n.: A group of smartheds who serve as advisors to a person or group

"The term 'braintrust' was originally coined by a New York Times reporter to refer to FDR's closest advisors."

### **Brewpub (broo-pub)**

n. A restaurant or drinking establishment that serves beer brewed onsite

"Brewpubs, which are a combination of microbreweries and restaurants, derive their popularity from their ability to offer a wide variety of types of freshly brewed beer."

### **Brownhead (brown-head)**

n. 1. Anyone with hair ranging from light to dark brown  
2. A mild-mannered person

"She resented being called a brownhead and longed for the day when she could dye her hair red."

### **Bubblehead (bub-ble-head)**

n. Someone who doesn't think before they speak  
"I thought but did not say that I was dealing with a bubblehead."

### **Bubblebreath (bub-ble-breath)**

n. Someone with an overly enthusiastic personality

"Regardless of what she had to say, she always bubbled over with enthusiasm. Her friends knew her as 'Bubblebreath.'"

### **Buffertime (buf-fer-time)**

n.: The extra time that a person allots when deciding how long it will take to reach a destination or perform a task to allow for unexpected difficulties or delays

"Once again he was late for class because he did not allow enough buffertime; this time, rain slowed his driving and he got stuck behind a funeral procession for a deadhead."

### **Butterball (but-ter-ball)**

- n. 1. A very fat person
- 2. A type of turkey

"It was immediately apparent to us that a butterball had just entered the room. We all stared as she paused whimsically, then wandered aimlessly into the corner to see if any danish pastries were left for her second breakfast."

### **Buttonswitch (but-ton-switch)**

v.: to change radio stations on a radio by pushing present station buttons

"What I really need is a remote radio tuner so I can buttonswitch from my chair at home like I do in my car."

### **Carplane (car-plane)**

n.: An device appearing in James Bond movies consisting of an automobile that has wings and can fly

"Just as it seems as James Bond was about to perish, his carplane took off into the air, enabling him to once again escape almost certain destruction."

### **Catperson (cat-per-son)**

n.: Someone who loves cats and prefers cats to other animals

"He is a catperson who prefers independent females."

### **Celluloidperson (cel-u-loid-per-son)**

n.: A person with no feelings

"He seems to be a celluloidperson - I see no sign of feelings in him."

### **Chartclimber (chart-climb-er)**

- n. 1. A hot-hit that's quickly climbing the charts
- 2. Someone who devotes much time and energy trying to get a promotion

"He disguises his penchant for chartclimbing in the cloak of generosity by buying extravagant presents for his business associates."

**Celticsgreen (cel-tics-green)**

Adj.: the shade of green that Boston Celtics jerseys have

"This mug will pass for celticsgreen."

**Chernobyrock (cher-no-by-rock)**

- n. 1. Rocknroll from Russia
- 2. Doomsday music

"This station has been playing nothing by chernobyrock all day; now I feel morose"

**Chiphead (chip-head)**

n.: Someone who constantly talks and thinks about computers

"Could you please take some time to be with your family and leave that computer alone? You're becoming a chiphead."

**Closetfan (clos-et-fan)**

n.: A secret admirer

"She has several closetfans who spend much of their time dreaming about her."

**Cloudburst (cloud-burst)**

n.: A sudden, intense rainfall

"During the height of the baseball game, an unexpected cloudburst caused the fans to stream for the rafters."

**Coffeeshirt (cof-fee-shirt)**

- n. 1. A tshirt with coffee stains, or other type of liquid stain
- 2. Any shirt stained with liquid

"After she won the racquetball tournament in her coffeeshirt, she became very devoted to it and wore it continuously."

**Concept-poor (con-cept-poor)**

Adj.: having a wealth of concepts for describing experience

"I became concept-rich by becoming more aware of the details of my experiences."

**Continuous-experience (con-tin-u-ous-ex-per-ience)**

n.: A quality of experience that results from an awareness of the continuities in experience and a rejection of the discrete nature of reality that language suggests

"His philosophy of continuous-experience makes him aware of many shades of emotion that others simply ignore."

**Continuous-hot-hits (con-tin-u-ous-hot-hits)**

n.: An uninterrupted series of extremely popular songs

"The radio station format calls for continuous-hot-hits"

**Continuous-language (con-tin-u-ous-lan-guage)**

n.: A language containing words that reflect the continuous nature of experience

"Imagine-how-different-your-life-would-be-if-our-language-could-adequately-reflect-the-continuity-in-experience. If-you-could-use-the-continuous-language-to-describe-your-feelings-you-would-be-able-to-say-exactly-how-happy-or-sad-you-are,how-good-apple-pie-with-ice-cream-and-coffee-really-taste, and-how-red-the-shirt-you're-wearing-is. You-would-be-much-more-capable-of-expressing-yourself-and-you-would-see-the-world-in-new-ways. Though-our-language-increases-our-freedom-we-are-also-its-slaves. We-see-the-world-through-the-eyes-and-from-the-points-of-view-of-our-language. By-creating-new-duonyms-you-increase-your-freedom-of-expression-and-others'-too!"

**Continuouslook (con-tin-u-ous-look)**

n. 1. The look of clothes when one or more articles of clothing of the same color are worn on top of each other in a layered fashion, as a t-shirt over a collared shirt, or running shorts over running pants or sweatpants.

2. A long, sustained, glance

3. The duolook, in which case the colors need not match

"He is determined to start a trend toward the continuouslook in fashion and often wears a blue t-shirt over a red long-sleeved shirt."



### **Jesse and Lisa sport the duolook**

#### **Continuousword (con-tin-u-ous-word)**

n.: A word created by putting two or more words together into a single word to form a word that is more than the sum of its parts and that ascribes

"Continuouswords provide a way to express new points of view that no one has had the words to express before. They also call attention to features of experience that might otherwise go unnoticed. If you know what a feelingfaker is, you will be more likely to notice a feelingfaker the next time you meet one."

Continuouswords call attention to the complexity of our experience, and make us more aware of the details of experience. Continuouswords make people happy because people love to express themselves and continuouswords help people express themselves by enabling them to take and express points of view they wouldn't otherwise have or express"

#### **Copyperson (co-py-per-son)**

- n. 1. Someone who forms opinions, values, and feelings based on those of other people.  
2. Someone who works in a photocopy shop.

"I have never heard him express an original idea; instead, he has become a copyperson, and makes a point to repeat whatever idea seems most popular at the time."

### **Corner-cutter (cor-ner-cut-ter)**

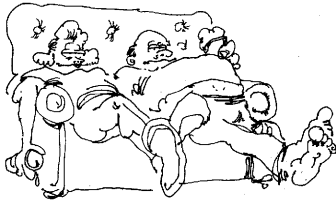
n.: A person who often tries to save time by taking shortcuts

"While working to beat the latest arbitrarily-determined deadline, he was grateful for his years of experience as a corner-cutter; more importantly, he is adept at hiding the corners he cuts"

### **Couchpotato (couch-po-ta-to)**

n.: Someone who spends a lot of time being passively entertained in a reclining position on their sofa or chair

"I was dismayed to learn that they have become couchpotatoes and seldom venture forth from the safety of their own loveseat."



### **Covercat (cov-er-cat)**

n.: A cat whose picture appears on the front of magazines or other publications

"A covercat, he achieved instant fame modeling for Catmopolitan."

### **Covergirl (cov-er-girl)**

n.: A usually attractive female whose face appears in magazines, often on the front cover

"Now that she has modeled for Flow Research, Lisa is on her way to stardom and is sure to pick up a contract to be a covergirl for a nationally published magazine."

**Cramsession (cram-ses-sion)**

n.: A period of time right before exams when students try to learn a large amount of material all at once.

“Even though he had decided to avoid this, he ended up relying on cramsessions to get himself through the semester.”

**Crashcart (crash-cart)**

n.: A cart containing drugs and equipment that might be needed to save or revive a hospital patient in an emergency

“The crashcart careened dangerously around the corner, narrowly missing an elderly visitor, as the interns raced to find the source of the emergency beeper.”

**Crossover-music (cross-o-ver-mu-sic)**

n.: one or more songs that are popular in more than one musical category

"Emmy Lou Harris writes crossovermusic that's on popular and country charts."

**Deadhead (dead-head)**

- n. 1. A devoted fan of the Grateful Dead
- 2. Someone whose mind is dulled from repeated assaults by drugs and alcohol

"A deadhead, his hobbies are smoking pot and drinking alcoholic beverages."



**Deepred (deep-red)**

n.: A range of rich, dark shades of red

"The Washington Redskins' helmets are a shade of deepred."

**Docgroup (doc-group)**

- n.: 1. A group of people who write computer manuals  
2. A group of doctors who form an association

"A docgroup director once thought;  
he'd get rid of a writer who taught;  
'I don't need courses  
I have a woman with horses'  
he was embroiled until he got caught."

### **Dogperson (dog-per-son)**

- n. Someone who loves dogs and prefers them to other animals

"She is a dogperson, and feels that dogs have more to offer than most men she knows."

### **Downshifter (down-shift-er)**

- n. Someone who makes a lifestyle or career change to a position that is less stressful and more relaxed

"Those who engage in career downshifting are finding that they have been able to reinvigorate their personal and family lives as a result."

### **Downtime (down-time)**

- n.: 1. The amount of time a computer is unavailable for use  
2. Time spent doing something other than working

"I could really use some serious downtime; I can't remember the last time I had an entire day off."

### **Driftdriver (drift-driv-er)**

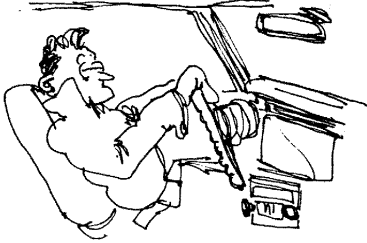
- n. A driver who drifts from one side to the other of the road, either from lack of sleep, alcohol or drug influence, or inexperience.

"Little did I know when I got into the car that he is a driftdriver; I hung on for dear life as we drifted back and forth across the road."

### **Drivetime (drive-time)**

n.: The period of time in the morning and evening when people typically commute between home and a daytime job

"Depending on his mood, he listens to subliminal persuasion tapes during drivetime; these have convinced him that he will be a spectacular success."



### **Enginehead (en-gine-head)**

n.: An individual who spends a large amount of time working on his or her car or truck engine

"After we got married, I discovered to my disappointment that he is an enginehead, and prefers his car engine to me on most occasions. He had managed to keep this fact to himself during our lengthy courship."

### **Experience-poor (ex-per-i-ence-poor)**

- Adj. 1. The condition of a person who does not notice the details of his or her experience
2. The condition of someone who has not had very many experiences or whose experiences have not been of many types

"A bookworm, he was conceptrich but experience-poor."

### **Experience-rich (ex-per-i-ence-rich)**

- Adj. 1. The condition of someone who is aware of the details of his or her experiences
2. The condition of someone who has had a wide range of types of experiences

"She is experience-rich in certain areas; for example, she listens to every popular rock song, has tried every Chinese restaurant in town, has her own computer, and dates different guys."

### **Extracredit (ex-tra-cred-it)**

Adj.: Work done in addition to the regular requirement for additional grade points

"Extracredit work provides additional challenges for superior intellects."

**Extraextra-credit (ex-tra-ex-tra-cred-it)**

n.: Work that's worth twice as much as regular extracredit

"Her superior homework assignments plus her extraextra-credit work pushed hergrade so high that no letter exists to adequately reflect it."

**Fatcat (fat-cat)**

n.: 1. A rich and privileged person  
2. An overweight cat

"Sensing that fame is imminent, the fatcat relaxes with a cigar."



**Feelingfaker (feel-ing-fak-er)**

n.: Someone who habitually deceives others about how he or she feels

"After talking to him I'd have to say that he's a feelingfaker; though he still claims to be in love with me."

**Fire-engine-red (fire-en-gine-red)**

n.: A very bright shade of red that resembles the color of a fire engine

"Statistics show that people who drive fire-engine-red cars have a higher chance of being stopped for speeding."

**Fishwatcher (fish-watch-er)**

n.: A person or cat who spends much of their time watching fish swim around a fish tank

"Believing that fishwatching relieves stress, Osborne is an ardent fishwatcher who spends many hours each day carefully observing the movements of all the fish in the tank, especially the red flag fish."



### **Flakeface (flake-face)**

n.: An eccentric and offbeat person who lacks common sense

"I'd like to meet the flakeface who wrote these error messages."

### **Flightpath (flight-path)**

- n. 1. The path of an airplane when it flies from one point to another
2. The path a person takes when he or she flies from one point to another

"I was delighted to learn that my flightpath takes me to Karlsruhe."

### **Flowmeter (flow-me-ter)**

n. A device used for measuring flowrate, volumetric flow, or mass flow.

"Today the new technology flowmeters, including ultrasonic, vortex, Coriolis, and magnetic, are taking market share away from the more traditional meters."

### **Freeform-radio (free-form-ra-di-o)**

n.: A radio station format in which the programming (e.g., songs) is not determined by a formula or rule but by the disc-jockey

"It's freeform-radio tonight."

**Funhead (fun-head)**

n.: Someone who spends much of their time partying.

"I would not describe here as a funhead - she spends most of her time reading existentialism and feeling morose."

**Furface (fur-face)**

- n. 1. Anyone with an unusual amount of hair on their face
- 2. A family pet with lots of hair

"The home sported several furfaces who peeked out from behind the chair."

**Furrymouse (fur-ry-mouse)**

n.: A soft, artificial mouse made to cover a computer mouse

"He feels that the furrymouse makes him a superior performer on the computer."

**Girl-of-my-dreams (girl-of-my-dreams)**

n.: A girl who has all the qualities you find most desirable in a girl

"He anticipates finding a girl-of-his-dreams who feels he is the boy-of-her-dreams; to accomplish this, he tries to be as irresistible as possible."

**Globalgobble (glob-al-gob-ble)**

- n. 1. The action of a wordprocessing program that searches for and replaces every occurrence of a term in a document
- 2. The sound made by all the turkeys in the world waking up at the same time

"She was so exasperated with the repeated use of the term 'function key' in her document that she proposed sending the computer on a search and destroy mission by performing a globalgobble on the term 'function key' and replacing it with 'fiction key.' Then she even proposed that we all pretend that this substitute version is the final version and wait to see if anyone notices."

**Greenmusic (green-mu-sic)**

- n. 1. Music played in honor of St. Patrick's Day

2. Songs about the color green

"I could get nothing but greenmusic on the radio on St. Patty's day."

**Greenroom (green-room)**

n.: A room in a concert hall or theatre where performers can relax before or after their appearance

"I sat down with the other actors in the dark greenroom before the performance began."

**Groupthink (group-think)**

n.: 1. Blind conformity of the sort described by George Orwell  
2. A synergy of minds cooperating to create thoughts not accessible to individual minds working alone

"As the Internet evolved, some forward-looking people became aware that instead of competing with each other for every new discovery, the Internet made groupthink possible. As a result, they formed loose associations in which ideas were freely exchanged and the power of many minds were brought to bear on a single problem."

**Groupthinker (group-think-er)**

n.: Someone who does not have their own ideas but instead conforms to group values and ethics

"You have to be a groupthinker to succeed at that company - they don't tolerate anyone who has original ideas."

**Hammerplayer (ham-mer-play-er)**

n.: A musician who plays his or her instrument with brute force and lack of harmony

"While I was expecting to be pleasantly entertained, I was disappointed to find that even with all his practice, he was still a hammerplayer and could not seem to find the right key."

**Hangtime (hang-time)**

n.: 1. In football, the amount of time a punt remains in the air  
2. Time spent with friends

“After school, I usually have about two hours of hangtime; I generally manage to find someone else to spend it with.”

### **Hardspace (hard-space)**

n.: The space in a document created by pressing the space bar in a wordprocessing program

"To make the space between the end of the word and the hanging indent equal to one hardspace you have to change the tab unit from space to point on this system; otherwise, the text does not wrap at the right place."

### **Heart-of-gold (heart-of-gold)**

n.: the kind of heart someone has whose feelings are completely pure and selfless

"It is a rare experience to find a heart-of-gold."

### **Homepage (home-page)**

n.: The page on an Internet-accessible website that is intended to be accessed first, and that contains links and other information that is available on the site

“She put a great deal of personal information, including her photo, on her homepage, in hopes of attracting the attention of some interested viewer.”

### **Homerhanky (hom-er-han-ky)**

n.: A handkerchief that fans wave at a baseball game calling for a home run

"The Twins fans wave homerhankies as their team comes to bat."

### **Honeybun (hon-ey-bun)**

- n. 1. A type of honey-covered round roll
2. A term of endearment

"Honeybun, please pass the honeybun."

### **Hotcar (hot-car)**

- n. 1. A fast and flashy car
2. A stolen car

"To try to create a reputation for being a playboy, he purchased a hotcar."

**Hothead (hot-head)**

n.: A person with a fiery temper

"He's a hothead who flies off the handle at the slightest provocation."

**Hot-red (hotred)**

n.: The shade of red that is bright and orangish giving off the impression of heat

"Feeling dynamic, she pulls on a hot-red t-shirt and walks off to class."

**Hypertedious (hy-per-te-di-ous)**

Adj. 1. The quality of feeling you have while attending the wedding or funeral of someone you don't know well, such as a distant relative  
2. Something that's extremely dull and boring

"She finds the weekly staff meetings increasingly hypertedious as they are dominated more and more by several loudmouths who love to hear themselves talk."

**Ideathief (i-de-a-thief)**

n.: Someone who steals other people's ideas and claims them for his own

"He's an ideathief who has no original ideas of his own."

**Jamspot (jam-spot)**

n.: An area where a traffic stoplight is needed because of dangerous conditions or incessant traffic congestion

"Soon after I moved into my new apartment, I realized that I am down the street from a jamspot; unfortunately, I hear the car horns blaring day and night."

**Junebug (june-bug)**

n.: anyone born in the month of June

"Despite the fact that they have different astrological signs, the junebugs decided to form a Junebug Club."

### **Knucklecurve (nuck-el-kurv)**

n.: a pitch in baseball in which the ball drops suddenly just before it reaches the batter.

“In 1972, Burt Hooton of the Chicago Cubs used his knucklecurve to no-hit the Phillies, 4-0.”

### **Lapdog (lap-dog)**

- n. 1. A timid and cowardly dog who follows his master around and does his every bidding
2. A timid and cowardly person who agrees with his superiors on all issues and expresses no views of his own

"A lapdog, he has not ideas of his own and constantly parrots his superiors."

### **Lasersitter (la-ser-sit-ter)**

n.: A cat or other pet who insists on resting on the laser printer, especially when you are ready to print

"He is a lasersitter and prefers sitting only on those places that are most objectionable."

### **Laughhead (laugh-head)**

- n. 1. Someone who laughs constantly
2. Someone who makes fun of people who make him mad

"A laughhead, he laughs uproariously at things that others find barely amusing."



### **Layeredlook (lay-ered-look)**

n.: A way of dressing that consists of wearing several clothes of the same type of top of each other in a layered fashion

"He feels that the layered look most adequately expresses his tendency to build one level of experience on top of another one."



### **Lazy lids (la-zy-lids)**

n.: The condition of someone sitting in class whose eyes keep closing due to lack of sleep

"The warm room plus the extremely boring lecture contributed to an unavoidable case of lazy lids on the part of many students."

### **Leadbottom (lead-bot-tom)**

n.: Anyone whose weight is distributed mostly below the waist, also known as pearshaped

"She considered everything from hibernation to plastic surgery, but try as she might, she could not conceal the fact that she is a leadbottom

### **Lemon-yellow (lem-on-yel-low)**

adj.: A shade of yellow resembling the color of lemons

"Not realizing he looked like a nerd, he wore a lemon-yellow shirt with has khaki pants."

### **Maybegirl (may-be-girl)**

n.: a girl who says that maybe she'll go out with you

"I was extremely psyched about asking her out, but then was very disappointed to find out that she's a maybegirl."



### **Mentalspender (men-tal-spend-er)**

n.: Someone who spends money in their mind before they receive it

"So far I've already mentally bought a pair of new speakers, a new computer, and a 45 gallon hexagonal fishtank with the money I'm supposed to get next week; I guess I've become a mentalspender."

### **Metalhead (met-al-head)**

n.: A devoted fan of heavy metal music

"I didn't know you're a metalhead."

### **Mindmaker (mind-mak-er)**

- n. 1. Someone who puts thoughts in other peoples' heads or tells them what to think  
2. An advertising executive

"The White House press office is full of mindmakers who spin the news."

### **Mind-philosophy (mind-phi-los-o-phy)**

n.: A set of a priori principles whose purpose is to define and justify the empirical principles in term of which minds are described and explained

"My mindphilosophy teacher helped send me to Rockefeller with a stipend  
imagine my chagrin  
to find his interest was not in  
my mind but the body of my girlfriend."

**Moonlover (moon-lov-er)**

- n. 1. A person who idolizes the moon
- 2. An especially romantic person

"Moonlovers spend a lot of time staring off into space and dreaming about their next romantic relationship."

**Mushmaker (mush-mak-er)**

- n. 1. A machine that instantly turns food into mush
- 2. A blender or food processor

"A mushmaker just made a pina colada."

**Mustcrust (must-crust)**

- n. The dried up residue found on the outside of a mustard jar

"I had no idea how that that jar of mustard had been in the refrigerator, but it must have been awhile because the outside of the jar was full of mustcrust."

**Overlook (o-ver-look)**

n.: The look of clothes when one or more articles of clothing are worn on top of each other in a layered fashion, as a t-shirt over a long-sleeved shirt, or running shorts over running pants or sweatpants

"The overlook provides a means of self-expression in otherwise boring and mundane circumstances."

**Overshirt (o-ver-shirt)**

n.: A shirt worn over another shirt, as a tshirt worn over a long-sleeved shirt

"As a devotee of the continuouslook, he acquired a huge stockpile of overshirts to wear on every conceivable occasion."

**Overvote (o-ver-vote)**

n.: In an election, a ballot in which someone votes for more than one person for a position when only one vote is allowed.

"Many Florida voters became confused by the structure of the ballot during the 2000 election, and ended up casting overvotes in the presidential election slot."

**Partyanimal (par-ty-an-i-mal)**

n.: Someone who parties constantly

"Partyanimals park here."

**Peeredit (peer-ed-it)**

n.: Corrections and changes by people at the same level or social status

"Peeredits are a useful tool for improving your writing and also for getting back at people you're mad at."

**Pencilneck (pen-cil-neck)**

n.: Someone with a long, thin neck

"You're a pencilneck and I'm not."

**Pencilthief (pen-cil-thief)**

n.: Someone who habitually steals small office supplies

"A pencilthief, she finds it thrilling to put an office pen in her purse and take it home for her personal use."

**Pencilwriter (pen-cil-writ-er)**

n.: A person who writes only with pencils

"As a pencilwriter, I disdain pens and insist on using pencils at all times."

**Perryellis-blue (per-ry-el-lis-blue)**

n.: A shade of deepblue that Perry Ellis used in many of the clothes he designed

"He is the proud owner of a perryellisblue shirt."

**Phonefriend (fone-friend)**

n.: Someone you are friendly with but whom you communicate with primarily by phone

"She is my best phonefriend and I call her almost every day."

**Phonehead (fone-head)**

n.: Someone who seems to spend all his or her time talking on the phone

"I didn't realize until I had started my new job several weeks ago that I would be working with several phoneheads; however, because they spend so much time on the phone, I haven't yet met them or learned their names."

**Pi-system (pi-sys-tem)**

n. 1. A system of thought that's so utterly confused and unalterably full of irrationalities and contradictions that the only solution to the problem that its existence creates is to completely and totally reject the system in favor of another system

2. Any confused or incoherent system of thought

"Though mathematicians to its Euclidean tune still waltz that pi-system calculus is riddled with faults  
a differential confusion  
an integral illusion  
for inconsistent assumptions yield contradictory results."

"He hates calculus, which he views as a pi-system, and is determined to replace it with a system of circular geometry that will eliminate irrational numbers and make it possible to give a rational value for the areas of circles."

**Possibledate (pos-si-ble-date)**

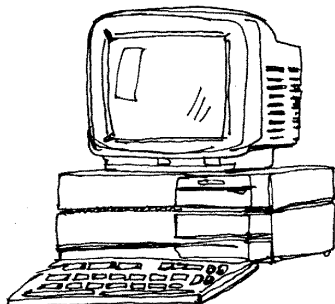
n.: Someone who says they might go out with you

"She's a possibledate, but I'm not holding my breath"

**Pricebreak (price-break)**

n.: A reduction in the established price of a retail item

"She got a pricebreak on the Epson computer because she knows the dealer extremely well."



### **Rainair (rain-air)**

n.: The quality of rain immediately after a rainstorm

"After the sudden shower, we all stepped outside to get a whiff of the fresh rainair."

### **Redhead (red-head)**

- n.: 1. Anyone whose hair is a shade ranging from bright sandybrown to a shade that matches the color of fire  
2. A hothead  
3. A person who is driven by the desire to perceive the color red

"She couldn't believe it when he said 'Redheads are nice to visit, and I wouldn't mind living with one.'"

### **Rimhanger (rim-hang-er)**

n.: In basketball, a shot that sits on the rim for a few seconds

"At the end of the game, the score was tied as the buzzer sounded; amazingly, the last shot turned out to be a rimhanger."

### **Selfedit (self-ed-it)**

- v. 1. To correct your own work  
2. To mentally edit what you say before you say it

"I have to do quite a lot of selfediting around here because you're not supposed to look like you're having any fun."

**Self-expression (self-ex-pres-sion)**

n.: the conscious act of making external some internal thought, feel, or emotion

"Self-expression is the meaning of life."

**Shortboard (short-board)**

n.: A high-performance surfboard used by top professional competitors

"Shortboards are typically about six feet long and 18 inches wide; they are opposed to longboards, which are about nine feet long and 20 inches wide. Both types of boards are about 2.5 inches thick.

**Slushstate (slush-state)**

n.: The condition of software that isn't supposed to be changed (frozen software) when changes continue to be made to it

"Software is never frozen solid around here; it never hardens beyond a slushstate."

**Smartcard (smart-card)**

n.: A credit card, bank card, or other plastic card that contains a hologram or computer microchip with information such as a voiceprint, fingerprints, credit information, or other personal information about the owner of the card.

**Smarthead (smart-head)**

n.: An especially bright person

"Now people say that 'MIT' stands for 'Made in Taiwan' because so many of the smartheads who attend there are Asian students."

**Snowjob (snow-job)**

n.: What someone does who convinces someone else to believe something that isn't true by pretending to be something or someone they're not

"When I wrote his biography I found out that he got appointed director by doing a snowjob on someone; later I found that after presiding over a birthday party he is on permanent leave of absence in Oak Grove."

**Spacebridge (space-bridge)**

n.: A communication link between two points or countries

"A spacebridge between the U.S. and Russia increases mutual understanding by allowing citizens to talk directly."

**Stormchaser (storm-cha-ser)**

n.: Someone who pursues violent and unusual weather, usually either for excitement or in the pursuit of scientific knowledge

"Every spring groups of stormchasers gather in and around Oklahoma to look for the tornadoes that occur there this time of year."

**Suckysong (suck-y-song)**

n.: Any song you hate

"I can't believe you like that suckysong; you must be sick."

**Superbig (su-per-big)**

adj. 1. Extraordinarily large  
2. Extraordinarily successful

"It is sure to be a superbig event; all the right people will be there."

**Supergreat (su-per-great)**

adj.: Anything that's extraordinarily good

"I've had a supergreat night so far; would you like to come in for a drink?"

**Supergroup (su-per-group)**

n. 1. A musical group that's supergreat  
2. A musical group that's superbig

"The Rolling Stones are the best supergroup in this universe and all preceding universes since moments before time began."

**Surfboard (surf-board)**

n.: A long, narrow board used to ride the waves as they break over a shallow, shoreline feature

“After purchasing a surfboard, he flew to Hawaii in search of the perfect wave.”

**Sweetcake (sweet-cake)**

- n. 1. A kind of cakelike desert made from sugar
- 2. A favorite person

"Everyone selected a sweetcake and rushed onto the dance floor."

**Sweetgirl (sweet-girl)**

- n. 1. A nice, shy, innocent female
- 2. A female who has a pleasant and likeable personality

She is a sweetgirl who compliments me three times every day. I don't know what she wants from me but the class thinks she is dying for me to ask her out, so maybe I will."

**Sweet-sweet-sweetcake (sweet-sweet-sweet-cake)**

- n. 1. A sweetcake that's triply sweet
- 2. A sweetcake who's triply sweet

"At the end of the evening after consuming many bottles of wine, we all looked on in delight as his sweet-sweet-sweetcake was passed out on the table. Then we crowded around to get a closer look while someone poured cold coffee on her face, and the partygoers roared their approval of this demonstration of culinary skill."

**Tearjerker (tear-jer-ker)**

- n.: 1. A movie, story, play, or broadcast that makes you cry your eyes out
- 2. An extremely funny joke that causes a person's eyes to water due to uncontrollable laughter

“I was in the mood for an upbeat comedy, and was very disappointed when the movie turned out to be a tearjerker instead.”

**Teflonmemory (tef-lon-mem-o-ry)**

n.: The kind of memory someone has who constantly says "I don't remember"

"Certain Iran-Contra witnesses acquire a teflonmemory when put on the stand."

### **Thrillseeker (thrill-see-er)**

n.: Someone who is constantly searching out new forms of excitement

"At the time I married her, I thought she was more of a mousy person; after several months of marriage, I was taken aback to find that, in reality, she is a thrillseeker, and is not truly happy unless she is pursuing experiences of intense excitement."

### **Thunderstorm (thun-der-storm)**

n.: a storm that is accompanied by lightning and thunder

"In the first stage of thunderstorm development, warm air is carried by an updraft to a level where moisture saturates the air and visible droplets start to form; this marks the beginning of cloud formation."

### **Trianglegirl (tri-an-gle-girl)**

n.: A girl who maintains two romantic relationships at once

"I was so furious when I found out that for the past six months she has been a trianglegirl that I threw a copy of Schopenhauer against the wall. When I introduced them I didn't expect this though I should have begun to worry when she told me that he has a 300-pound wife. Now she's cold coffee and he's the mayor of Riverdale."

### **Tripledoube (tri-ple-dou-ble)**

- n. 1. A basketball player's score of more than nine in points, assists, and rebounds in one game
2. Three pair of songs by a single artist in a row, each pair by a different artist
3. Three doublescoops of ice cream, each doublescoop a different flavor

"I'll take a VanChocStraw tripledoube."

### **Tripleshot (tri-ple-shot)**

- n. 1. Three rock 'n roll songs by the same artist in a row played with no breaks
2. Three same flavored ice cream scoops

"I'll have a tripleshot of raspberry."

### **T-shirt (t-shirt)**

n.: A collarless shortsleeved or sleeveless usually cotton shirt that's shaped like a capital letter T

"Some people can't understand why he insists on wearing t-shirts over his other shirts and view it as a mere eccentricity, but those who know him well understand it as an expression of his philosophy."

### **Twillweave (twill-weave)**

n.: A textile weave in which the filling threads pass over one and under two warp threads, giving the appearance of diagonal lines

"Twillweave is what gives bluejeans their distinctive character."

### **Underclass (un-der-class)**

n.: A group of people who feel powerless and who don't play an active role in society's decisionmaking

"They are members of the underclass; they don't vote and often are unemployed."

### **Undervote (un-der-vote)**

n.: A ballot cast in an election in which the person fails to vote for a candidate for a particular office.

"In the 2000 presidential election, the undervotes cast in Florida became the center of a major dispute about voter intent."

### **Underwear-weather (un-der-wear-weath-er)**

n.: Weather that's so warm that you can comfortably walk around in your underwear in it

We were grateful for the underwear-weather and spent much of the day walking around town with little on. This inspired a few continuouslooks."



### **Vendor-bender (vend-er-bend-er)**

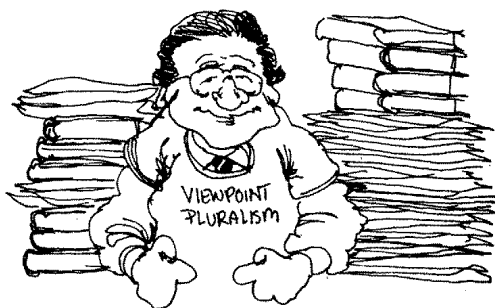
- n. 1. Someone who pressures a company that sells a product to do something, e.g., provide better service
2. Someone who kicks a vending machine

"He was completely disgusted with the quality of the vending machines at school and despite becoming a vendorbender, he couldn't get service on the coffee machine; subsequently he arranged for a new vendor

### **Viewpoint (view-point)**

n.: The perspective from which something is seen, perceived, or experienced

"According to the philosophy of Viewpoint Pluralism, there are indefinitely many viewpoint from which any subject or object can be seen."



### **Waistwatcher (waist-watch-er)**

n.: Someone who seems always to be on a diet

"She's a waistwatcher and has been on a diet since 1996."

### **Watchperson (watch-per-son)**

n.: 1. An individual who never travels without their watch

2. Someone who is very conscious of time and punctuality

She is a watchperson, and cannot stand even the idea of being late for an appointment.

### **Whitecaps (white-caps)**

n.: Crests of foam that appear where a wave begins to break

"The surfers were delighted by the sea of whitecaps, and spent much of the day riding ever-larger waves."

### **White-hot (white-hot)**

Adj.: The condition of something so hot that it glows white

"The explosion sent a white-hot ball of flame into the sky."

### **Wicked-awesome (wick-ed-awe-some)**

Adj.: Anything so extraordinary that it inspires the highest degree of awe

"The concert was awesome; the band was like totally, wow, like wickedawesome."

### **Wine-red (wine-red)**

Adj.: a range of colorshades that resemble the color of burgundy

"I'll take a bottle of that wine-red champagne you have over there in the corner."

### **Word-perception (word-per-cep-tion)**

n. 1. Hearing, reading, or seeing a word and understanding what it means

2. Someone's interpretation of what a word means

"His wordperception was dulled by the number of drinks he had."

**Word-perceptionitis (word-per-cep-tion-i-tis)**

n.: The condition that occurs when you look at a word and it doesn't look like it's spelled correctly even though it is

"Lately he's suffered from wordperceptionitis and finds himself constantly resorting to looking up word spellings in the dictionary."

**Wordprocessing (word-pro-cess-ing)**

n. A method of producing text from a computer that appears to be typewritten; while in the computer the text can be edited and formatted as desired before being printed

"Of course he made everyone on the project use the sucky wordprocessing program he likes - it's the only one he knows."

**Wristwatcher (wrist-watch-er)**

n.: Someone who constantly checks their watch for the time

"When I saw him repeatedly checking his watch in the meeting, I assumed he couldn't wait to leave; I didn't know that he's a compulsive wristwatcher."

**Zippy-spirited-fun-personal (zip-py-spir-it-ed-fun-per-son-al)**

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