Dessa söktermer har markerats: low paying job requires little skill provides little opportunity advancement



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bubble noun **5**: a state of booming economic activity (as in a stock market) that often ends in a sudden collapse

collapse dead-cat bounce noun [from the facetious notion that even a dead cat would bounce slightly if dropped from a sufficient height] (1985): a biref and insignificant recovery (as of stock prices) after a steep feetline

golden handcuffs noun plural (1976): special benefits offered to an employee as an inducement to continue service

headhunt . . . transitive verb (1969): to recruit (personnel and especially executives) for top-level jobs <was headhunted by three different firms-intransitive verb: to recruit personnel for top-level job

Food and Drink

anandamide noun [Sanskrit nanda joy, bliss + English amide] (1992) : a derivative of arachidonic acid that occurs naturally in the brain and in some foods (as chocolate) and that binds to the same brain receptors as the cannabinoids (as THC)

barista noun [Italian, person working behind a bar, from bar bar (from English) + -ista 1-ist] (1982): a person who makes and serves coffee (as espresso) to the public

Frankenfood noun [Franken in Frankenstein) + food] (1992) : genetically engineered food

longneck noun (1978) : beer served in a bottle that has a long neck

wheatgrass ... noun (1668): any of a genus (Agropyron) of perennial grasses including some which are important pasture, hay, or turf grasses [NB: dropped from C8 and added for C11]

Business and Economics Electronic Technology

avatar noun 4 : an electronic image that represents and is manipulated by a computer user (as in a computer game or an online shopping site)

killer app noun (1988): a computer application of such great value or popularity that it assures the success the technology with which it is associated; broadly: a feature or component that in itself makes something worth having ccess of

lurk . . . intransitive verb 3 : to read messages on an Internet discussion forum (as a newsgroup or a chat room) without contributing information (as addresses, schedules, and notes)

Foreign Borrowings

agita . . . noun [South Italian dialect pronunciation of Italian acido, literally, heartburn, acid, from Latin acidus] (1982): a feeling of agitation or anxiety

bludge verb . . . [back-formation from British argot bludger pimp, probably contraction of bludgeoner one wielding a contraction of bludgeoner one wielding is bludgeon, from bludgeon] (ca. 1919) intransitive verb 1 chiefly Australian & New Zealand: to avoid work or responsibility 2 chiefly Australian & New Zealand: sponge 2 transitive verb, chiefly Australian & New Zealand: sponge 2 transitive verb, chiefly Australian & New Zealand: sponge 3

compadre noun [Spanish, literally, godfather, from Medieval Latin compater — more at COMPEER] (1834) : a close friend : BUDDY

oy interjection [Yiddish] (1892) — used especially to express exasperation or dismay <oy, what a mess>

Health and Medicine

Botox *trademark* — used of a preparation of botulinum toxin

exfoliant noun (1983): a mechanical or chemical agent (as an abrasive skin wash or salicylic acid) that is applied to the skin to remove dead cells from the surface

fen-phen noun [fenfluramine + phentermine] (1994): a former drug combination of phentermine with either fenfluramine or dexfenfluramine — call also phen-fen

heart-healthy . . . adjective (19 conducive to a healthy heart and circulatory system <heart-healthy exercise> <a heart-healthy diet> adjective (1980):

trichotillomania . . . noun [New Latin, from trich + Greek tillein to pull, pluck + New Latin mania] (ca. 1903) : an abnormal desire to pull out one's hair

International English

agony aunt noun (1975) chiefly British : a columnist who writes an agony

cack-handed adjective [English dialect cack, keck awkward] (1854) 1 British: LEFT-HANDED 2 British: CLUMSY, AWKWARD

chappie noun (1821) British : FELLOW 4c

cheesed off adjective [origin unknown] (1942) chiefly British : ANGRY, IRRITATED

bright-line (1982) adjective: providing an unambiguous criterion or guideline especially in law <a bright-line distinction>

identity theft noun (1991): the illegal use of someone else's personal information (as a Social Security number) in order to obtain money or credit

Mirandize verb (1984): to recite the Miranda warnings to (a person under arrest)

NIMBY . . . noun [not in my backyard] (1980) : opposition to the locating of something considered undesirable (as a prison or incinerator) in one's neighborhood — NIMBYism . . . noun

punditocracy noun, plural -cies [pundit + -cracy] (1987) : a group of powerful and influential political

Popular Culture

Goth noun 2 often not capitalized a : rock music marked by dark and morbid lyrics b : a fan or performer of goth 3 : a person who wears mostly black clothing, uses dark dramatic makeup, and often has dyed black hair

headbanger noun (1979): a musician who performs hard rock; also: a fan of hard rock

McJob noun (1986) : a low-paying job that requires little skill and provides little opportunity for advancement

mosh pit noun (1988): an area in front of a stage where very physical and rough dancing takes place at a rock concert

air marshal noun 2 : SKY MARSHAL

burka or burqa noun [Urdu, Persian & Arabic: Urdu burqa', from Persian burqa', burqu', from Arabic burqu'] (1836): a loose enveloping garment that covers the face and body and is worn in public by certain Muslim women

collateral damage noun (1972): injury nanoscale adjective (1986): having dimensions measured in

Post 9-11 Effects Science and Mathem

buckytube . . . [buckyball + tube] (1991): a nanotube composed of pure carbon with a molecular arrangement similar to that of fullerene

junk DNA noun (1972): a region of DNA that usually consists of a repeating DNA sequence, does not code for protein, and has no known function

inflicted on something other than the intended target; specifically: civilian casualties of a military operation

psyops . . . noun plural, often attributive [psychological operations] (1966): military operations usually aimed at influencing the enemy state of mind through noncombative means (as distribution of leaflets)

vermiculture noun (1976): the cultivation of annelid worms (as earthworms or bloodworms) especially for use as bait or in composting

Slang

brewski noun [²brew + -ski, suffix in Slavic surnames] (1978) slang : BEER 4

dead presidents noun plural (1944) slang: U.S. money in the form of bills; specifically: DOLLARS

def adjective deffer; deffest [probably alteration of death (from the phrase to death excessively)] (1979) slang: COOL 7

 $\begin{array}{lll} \textbf{phat} & \dots & adjective & \dots & [\text{probably} \\ \text{alteration of } ^1fat] & (1963) & slang: & \text{highly} \\ \text{attractive or gratifying: EXCELLENT} & < a \\ phat beat moving through my body — \\ \text{Tara Roberts} > & \end{array}$

Sports

chin music *noun* **2** : a usually high inside pitch in baseball intended to intimidate the batter

deke verb . . . [short for ²decoy] (1960) transitive verb : to fake (an opponent) out of position (as in ice hockey) *intransitive verb* : to deke an opponent

peloton . . . noun [French, literally, ball — more at PLATOON] (1951): the main body of riders in a bicycle race

shootaround noun (1978) : a usually informal basketball practice session

smashmouth adjective (1984): characterized by brute force without finesse

tweener noun [between + ²-er] (1978): a player who has some but not all of the necessary characteristics for each of two or more positions (as in football or basketball)

alterity noun [Late Latin alteritat-, alteritas, from alter] (1642):

OTHERNESS: specifically : the quality or state of being radically alien to the conscious self or a particular cultural orientation

MacGuffin or MGuffin noun

bogart ... transitive verb [probably from Humphrey Bogart died 1957 American film actor] (1966) 1: BULLY, INTIMIDATE cactivists bogarder their way into the ... offices — Sarah Ferguson > 2: to use or consume without sharing

bogart a joint>

comb-over . . . noun (1980) : an arrangement of hair on a balding man in which hair from the side of the head is combed over the bald spot

de minimis adjective [New Latin, concerning trifles] (1952) : lacking significance or importance : so minor as to merit disregard < de minimis fringe benefits>

funplex noun (1986) : an entertainment complex that includes facilities for various sports and games and often restaurants

gimme cap noun (1978): an adjustable visored cap that often features a corporate logo or slogan

Miscellaneous, continued

MacGuffin or McGuffin . . . noun [coined by Alfred Hitchcock] (ca. 1939): an object, event, or character in a film or story that serves to set and keep the plot in motion despite usually lacking intrinsic importance

navel-gazing noun (1963) : useless or excessive self-contemplation

phreaker noun (1984) : one who gains illegal access to the telephone system

shopaholic noun (1983) : one who is extremely or excessively fond of shopping

tankini noun [blend of tank (top) and bikini] (1985) : a woman's two-piece swimsuit consisting of bikini briefs and a tank top

waitron noun [blend of waiter or waitress and -tron (suggesting the machinelike impersonality of such work), later (perhaps influenced by neutron) taken as a gender-neutral term] (1980): waitperson

yuppify . . . transitive verb (1984) : to make appealing to yuppies; also : to infuse with the qualities or values of yuppies

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