

# SLANG

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A history of slang—a study of present day slang—American slang—Cockney, law, medical, military slang, etc.—Commonwealth slang—rhyming slang and Spoonerisms—elaborate and original Vocabularies.

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## **Slang To Day And Yesterday:**

Slang Eric Partridge, 2015-04-17 First published in 1933 this book explores both contemporary and historical slang focusing on the characteristics and quirks of the English and American languages As well as looking at commonly used slang there are sections that give the reader insight into more unusual areas such as Cockney slang slang in journalism and slang in commerce as well as slang used by sailors the law and the church The book will be of interest to scholars and the general readers who take an interest in language *Slang To-day and Yesterday* Eric Partridge, 1950 *Slang to-day and yesterday* Eric Partridge, 1979 **Slang** Michael Adams, 2012-08-01 Slang writes Michael Adams is poetry on the down low and sometimes lowdown poetry on the down low but rarely if ever merely lowdown It is the poetry of everyday speech the people s poetry and it deserves attention as language playing on the cusp of art In *Slang The People s Poetry* Adams covers this perennially interesting subject in a serious but highly engaging way illuminating the fundamental question What is Slang and defending slang and all forms of nonstandard English as integral parts of the American language Why is an expression like bed head lost in a lexical limbo found neither in slang nor standard dictionaries Why are snow boarding terms such as fakie goofy foot ollie and nollie not considered slang As he addresses these and other lexical curiosities Adams reveals that slang is used in part to define groups distinguishing those who are down with it from those who are out of it Slang is also a rebellion against the mainstream It often irritates those who color within the lines indeed slang is meant to irritate sometimes even to shock But slang is also inventive language both fun to make and fun to use Rather than complain about slang as bad language Adams urges us to celebrate slang s playful resistance to the commonplace and to see it as the expression of an innate human capacity not only for language but for poetry **Barrelhouse Words** Stephen Calt, 2010-10-01 This fascinating compendium explains the most unusual obscure and curious words and expressions from vintage blues music Utilizing both documentary evidence and invaluable interviews with a number of now deceased musicians from the 1920s and 30s blues scholar Stephen Calt unravels the nuances of more than twelve hundred idioms and proper or place names found on oft overlooked race records recorded between 1923 and 1949 From aggravatin papa to yas yas yas and everything in between this truly unique racy and compelling resource decodes a neglected speech for general readers and researchers alike offering invaluable information about black language and American slang Rude Britannia Mina Gorji, 2013-04-15 Media commentators have noted a rising public tolerance to the use of rude or offensive words in modern English John Lydon s obscene outburst on I m a Celebrity only provoked a handful of complaints a muted reaction compared to the furore following his use of the f word on television twenty eight years earlier This timely and authoritative exploration of rudeness in modern English draws together experts from the academic world and the media journalists linguists lexicographers and literary critics and argues that rudeness is an important cultural phenomenon Tightly edited with clear accessibly written pieces the essays look at rudeness in the media literature football chants street culture seaside postcards With contributions

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