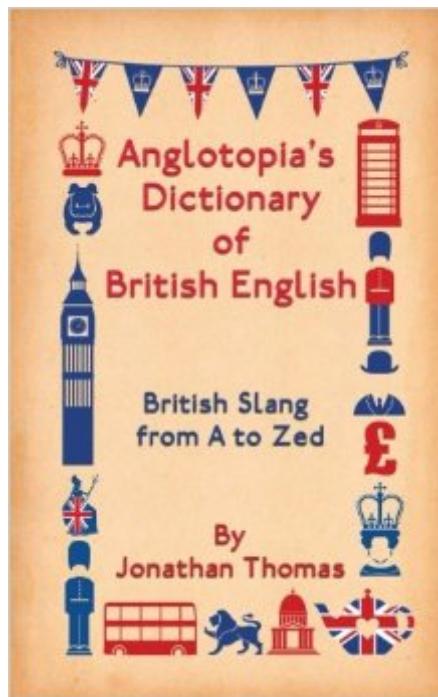


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# Anglotopia's Dictionary Of British English: British Slang From A To Zed



## Synopsis

It is often said that Britain and the United States are a common culture divided by language. This book is a guide to all the fun linguistic differences between American and British English. The British not only have their own unique words but they also use certain words much differently and this book seeks to gather all those words and phrases in one place for easy reference. This book is perfect to keep on hand while you're watching the latest episode of Downton Abbey or Doctor Who and you hear a word that you don't understand. It is our hope that this book will enrich your experience of British Culture and lead to further understanding between our two countries. In this book: • General Word and Phrase Dictionary • Cockney Slang Guide • Scots English Guide • Scouse English Guide • Yorkshire English Guide • West Country English Guide • London Slang • Australian English • Amusing British Place Names • And More!!!

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Anglotopia - the name conjures up images of patchwork fields, tea cakes and thatched cottages. If you haven't heard of it before then you won't be surprised to hear that it's the leading website for those who love all things British. For many years, Anglotopia has been doing its bit to help boost the British tourism industry by providing Americans with up to date information about the "old country." Site owner Jonathan Thomas has now taken things a step further with the release of a new dictionary. Anglotopia's Dictionary of British English is a humorous, highly accurate and rather useful tool for anyone planning a trip to the UK. The dictionary begins with 50 pages of commonly used British words and U.S. English translations. You may recognize some of the words from shows

such as Downton Abbey and Upstairs Downstairs but truth-be-told those shows are deliberately written in a sort of transatlantic, ageless version of English that the average Russian or Swahili speaker could probably understand. This book focuses on the kind of language you used to hear on Eastenders - before BBC America gave it the old heave-ho. It contains a shed-load of useful adjectives that are used across the whole UK. It also has colloquialisms that are unique to certain regions such as Scotland, Yorkshire, London and even the West Country. A dictionary such as this could prove a life saver. Next time you walk into an English pub decked out in full Manchester United gear you'll realize it's time to leave when the local "chavs" and "hoodies" refer to you as a "git" a "sod" or even a "prat." You'll know you came to the right pub if a "bit of awright" offers you a nice bacon sarnie and a packet of crisps. This book also helps you realize that in England things that sound bad are good and vice versa.

Anglotopia is a fabulous "website for people who love Britain." It's a place on the web where anglophiles gather to discuss travel dreams, BBC television, Earl Grey tea and a whole lot more Britishness. The brainchild of Jonathan Thomas and his wife Jackie, Anglotopia has also expanded to cover even more corners of the globe with Francotopia, Aussietopia, Canadatopia and many more. After more than a few trips to the United Kingdom, and with helpful input from loyal Anglotopia readers, Jonathan Thomas has created a thoroughly helpful dictionary of British slang. The Anglotopia's Dictionary of British English: British Slang from A to Zed is filled with slang from all corners of the United Kingdom, from Scotland to Liverpool. In addition to the main slang dictionary, this book also includes:  
\*British Insults  
\*London Slang  
\*Cockney Slang  
\*Scottish English  
\*West Country English  
\*Yorkshire English  
\*Scouse English  
\*Funny place Names  
\*Australian Slang  
The book has a modern feel, with references to British television shows on TV and Netflix. For example, when describing West Country English, Thomas writes "Some of these words may sound familiar from the hit British TV show Doc Martin." Conversely, the book reveals a bit of history and geography with its chapter devoted to Funny Place names. It's fascinating to read some Australian slang to see a bit of American and British slang influences, as well. One small word of caution for parents of young Anglophiles: this dictionary is a collection of slang. Just as in America, sometimes those words can be decidedly adult-oriented in nature. Words that are G-rated and words that are X-rated are listed side-by-side in this dictionary.

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