

**CURRENT** 流れ、時事、今の

The word "current", apart from meaning the current of a river or of the sea, is also used with the meaning of current events, and current opinions etc.

WHAT DOES THE WORD "CURRENT" MEAN? The word "current", apart from ...

**STRETCH** 伸ばす

1024 The basic meaning of the word "stretch" is "extend".

WHAT'S THE BASIC MEANING OF THE WORD "STRETCH"? The basic ...

WHAT AM I DOING? You're stretching yourself

WHAT AM I DOING? You're stretching out your hand to take something

WHAT AM I TRYING TO DO? You're trying to stretch your tie, pullover, dress etc.

HOW FAR DOES THE ROAD OUTSIDE THIS BUILDING STRETCH?

The road outside ... stretches as far as ...

**AWKWARD**

ぎこちない、不格好な、具合の悪い

**CUPBOARD**

戸棚

**EMBARRASS /**

恥をかかせる

The basic meaning of the word "awkward" is "difficult" or "having little skill".

WHAT'S THE BASIC MEANING OF THE WORD "AWKWARD"? The basic ...

WHY ARE SOME PEOPLE AWKWARD IN THEIR MOVEMENTS?

The reasons some people are ... could be many and various. Perhaps they are suffering from an illness, or perhaps as a child they played very little sport or the usual games that children play and so never developed an easy movement of the body ...

1025 WHAT'S THE MOST AWKWARD THING YOU HAVE AT HOME, THAT IS, THE MOST DIFFICULT THING TO USE, LIKE A CUPBOARD THAT WON'T OPEN PROPERLY? The most awkward ... is ...

WHAT HAS BEEN THE MOST AWKWARD MOMENT OF YOUR LIFE, THAT IS, THE MOST EMBARRASSING MOMENT? The most awkward ... was ...

**WELL** 井戸

WHAT DO WE CALL A HOLE IN THE GROUND FROM WHICH WE GET WATER? We call a hole in ... a well

**DECREASE** 減少する

WHAT'S THE OPPOSITE OF THE WORD "INCREASE" ?      The opposite of ...  
"decrease"

**FAN** うちわ、あおぐ

WHAT AM I DOING ?      You're fanning yourself with your book  
ARE YOU A FAN OF ANY FOOTBALL CLUB (OR FILM STAR ETC.) ? /  
Yes, I'm a fan ... or ... No, I'm not a ...

**GOAT**  
やぎ

**ROCKY**  
岩の(多い)

**HILLSIDE**  
丘の中腹

1026 TELL ME SOMETHING ABOUT GOATS (DESCRIBE THEM ETC.). Goats have  
two horns, a beard, give milk, often live on mountains or rocky hillsides ...

**PINCH** つまむ、つねる

WHAT AM I DOING ?      You're pinching your cheek  
WHY DID WOMEN IN THE OLD DAYS SOMETIMES PINCH THEIR CHEEKS ?  
Women in the old      pinched their cheeks in  
order to bring some colour to their faces

**PROPOSE** 提案する

"To **propose**" means to suggest or to intend, e.g. "This is the plan I propose". or,  
"Next year they propose to go to Ireland for their holiday."

WHAT DOES "TO PROPOSE" MEAN ?      "To propose" means ...

GIVE ME AN EXAMPLE OF EACH, PLEASE !      This is the ... and ... Next year ...

**DICTIONARY 91**

The doctor gave Edward some liquid with which to bathe the lids of his eyes. The river descended slowly through a kind of chalk basin and only began to hasten itself when joined by a second river. The boy had cut a branch off the tree with his knife which had an edge on it like a razor, and was using it as a fishing rod. It is very easy to be cheated and deceived, especially if one receives no warning. One can think that what one has bought is quite without value. I was urged to try and get on the town council by my friends, but it would have been a great nuisance for me to have to attend the meetings.

**SWING - SWUNG SWUNG**  
 振る

**TO AND FRO**  
 あちこちに

WHAT AM I DOING?

You're swinging your pen to and fro; holding it between your finger and thumb

WHAT'S MY PEN DOING?

Your pen's swinging to and fro ...

**BOWL** ボール、椀

**SUGAR - BOWL** 砂糖入れ

WHEN WE PUT SUGAR ON THE TABLE, WHAT DO WE CALL THE CONTAINER IT'S IN?

When we put ... a sugar-bowl

**FUN**  
 戯れ、ふざける

**PLAYFULNESS**  
 戯れ、ふざけ

**FUNNY**  
 面白い、奇妙な

**PUZZLE**  
 パズル

**JIGSAW**  
 切り抜き

1028 **CARDBOARD**  
 厚紙

**CROSSWORD PUZZLE**  
 クロスワードパズル

**ACCOMPANY**  
 伴う

**CLUE /**  
 がかり、糸口

The word "fun" means amusement; sport; playfulness etc. For example, "It was nothing serious; we just did it for fun."

WHAT DOES THE WORD "FUN" MEAN? - AND GIVE ME AN EXAMPLE.

The word ... "Our dog enjoys all kinds of fun and games"

The word "funny" has two meanings, either "amusing", in which case we laugh or smile, for example, "Charlie Chaplin made some very funny films"; or "strange", in which case we look puzzled, for example, "It's very funny that we haven't received a letter from Richard for over a week. I wonder what has happened?" /

WHAT DOES THE WORD "FUNNY" MEAN? AND GIVE ME EXAMPLES.

The word ... "He looks so funny; I can't keep a straight face whenever I look at him" ... "It's very funny weather we're having for this time of year"

A jigsaw puzzle consists of many little pieces of wood or cardboard of different shapes and sizes, which, when fitted slowly and correctly together, form a complete picture of something.

A crossword puzzle, on the other hand, consists of a large square divided into many small squares. Into each square we write a letter of the alphabet in order to form words. Accompanying the large square is a list of clues, the answers to which determine the words we form in the squares. For example, clue number one might be "The capital of Japan (5 letters)", and so we write in the squares the word "Tokyo"; or it might be "A queen of ancient Egypt (9 letters)", and we write the word "Cleopatra". /

1029 WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN A JIGSAW PUZZLE AND A CROSSWORD PUZZLE? ... consists of little pieces of wood ... consists of a large square ...

**SWEAR - SWORE - SWORN**  
誓いをたてる、ののしる

**EVIDENCE**  
証拠

**COPY (n)**  
複写

Before a witness gives evidence in an English court of law, he is obliged to put his hand on a copy of the Bible, or on a book of his own religion, and say, "I swear to tell the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth, so help me God."/

BEFORE A WITNESS GIVES EVIDENCE IN AN ENGLISH COURT OF LAW, WHAT'S HE OBLIGED TO DO AND SAY? Before a witness ... he's obliged to put ...

Another meaning of the verb "swear" is to use bad language. For example, some people swear when they are angry or hurt.

WHAT'S ANOTHER MEANING OF THE VERB "SWEAR", AND WHEN DO PEOPLE SWEAR? Another meaning ... and people swear ...

WHAT'S THE PARADIGM OF "SWEAR"? The paradigm ... swear - swore - sworn

1030 **BREATH**  
息

**BREATHE**  
呼吸する

**OUT OF BREATH**  
息を切らす

WHAT AM I DOING? You're breathing

AND WHAT'S THIS COMING OUT OF MY MOUTH? Your breath is coming ...

The difference between "breath" and "breathe" is that "breath" is the noun whilst "breathe" is the verb.

WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN "BREATH" AND "BREATHE"??

The difference ... is that ...

HOW LONG CAN YOU HOLD YOUR BREATH FOR?

I can hold my ...

WHY DO PEOPLE GET OUT OF BREATH?

People get out of breath through running, climbing the stairs ... etc.

**STRIP**

衣服を脱ぐ

**STRIPE**

しま模様

**STRIPED**

しまのある

**UNDRESS**

衣服を脱ぐ

**SERGEANT**

軍曹

WHAT'S ANOTHER WORD FOR "UNDRESS"?

Another word ... is "strip"

WHAT AM I ABOUT TO DO?

You're about to tear a strip of paper out of your book ...

DO YOU PREFER A STRIPED TIE OR A SPOTTED ONE??

I prefer a ...

1031 WHAT DOES IT MEAN WHEN WE SAY A SERGEANT IS STRIPPED OF HIS STRIPES?

When we say a ... we mean that he has done something wrong and in consequence loses his stripes and rank of sergeant

**BURST**

破裂させる

**PAPER BAG**

紙袋

**BURST INTO TEARS**

わつと泣き出す

WHAT AM I PRETENDING TO DO?

You're pretending to blow up a paper bag and burst it

WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN "TO CRY" AND "TO BURST INTO TEARS"??

The difference ... is that a person can cry without trying to control himself, whilst one generally bursts into tears after having tried to control oneself ...

**SWELL - SWELLED - SWELLED (OR SWOLLEN)**

膨れる、腫れあがる、増水する

**SWELLING**

はれ

**AREA**

地域、範囲

**INSECT**

虫

**FLOOD**

洪水

WHAT USUALLY HAPPENS TO THAT AREA OF THE BODY WHERE A BEE OR SOME OTHER INSECT HAS STUNG US?

That area of the body where ... usually swells

WHAT DO WE DO WITH THE SWELLING?

We either do nothing and let it go away by itself or put something on it - a cream or something ...

1032 WHAT'S THE PARADIGM OF "SWELL"??

The paradigm ... swell - swelled - swelled (or swollen)

WHAT HAPPENS WHEN A RIVER SWELLS AND BURSTS ITS BANKS?

When a river ... the land around becomes flooded ...

**TOWEL** タオル

AFTER WASHING, WHAT DO WE WIPE OUR HANDS AND FACE ON?

After washing we ... a towel

**TOY** おもちゃ

WHAT WAS YOUR FAVOURITE TOY AS A CHILD? My favourite ... was ...

**FRAME** 枠、骨組み

**FRAME OF MIND** 心構え、心的態度

WHAT DO WE CALL THE WOODEN OR METAL BORDER ROUND A PICTURE OR WINDOW?

We call the wooden ... a frame

CAN YOU THINK OF ANOTHER USE OF THE WORD "FRAME"? Yes, I

can think ... the frame of the human body

WHAT FRAME OF MIND DO YOU USUALLY FEEL IN WHEN YOU GO TO WORK (OR TO SCHOOL)?

I usually feel in a ... frame of mind when ...

1033 **LUMP** 固まり、砂礫(一箇)

DO YOU PREFER SOUP WITH LUMPS OF MEAT AND VEGETABLES IN IT, OR DO YOU PREFER JUST PLAIN SOUP?

I prefer ...

**SHALLOW** 浅い

WHAT'S THE CONTRARY OF "DEEP"?

The contrary of ... is shallow

**TRAIN** 訓練する、養成する

HOW LONG DOES IT TAKE TO TRAIN A DOCTOR? It takes about ... years

to train ...

**TRAY** 盆、トレ

WHAT DO WE USE A TRAY FOR?

We use a tray to carry cups and saucers etc. on ...

**CLAY** 粘土

WHAT DO WE MAKE WITH CLAY?

We make cups, saucers, bowls etc. with clay

**CLERK** 事務員

WHAT DO WE MEAN BY A CLERK? By a clerk we usually mean a man who works with a pen in an office ...

1034 **HOOK** かぎ、ホック、かぎ針

WHAT DO WE USE A HOOK FOR? We use a hook for hanging things on; or we use it on the end of a line for catching fish with ...

**RESIGN** 辞職する

WHY DOES ONE RESIGN FROM ONE'S POST? One resigns from one's post either because one has done something wrong, or because one doesn't agree with the people one has to work with ...

**TREMBLE** 震える

WHAT'S MY HAND DOING? Your hand's trembling

WHAT MAKES PEOPLE TREMBLE? Fear makes people tremble

**BERRY** ベリー(いちご類)

WHAT CAN WE MAKE WITH BERRIES? We can make jam with berries

**DITCH** 溝

**EXCESS** 過剰、過多

WHY DO THEY OFTEN PUT A DITCH ROUND A FIELD? They often put a ... to take away the excess water from the field ...

1035 **PASTRY** 練り粉(菓子)、パイなどに使う水と粉でこねたもの

"Paste" is a mixture of flour and water etc., which is used either for making pastry for cooking, or for sticking things together like paper on walls etc.

WHAT IS "PASTE" AND WHAT DO WE USE IT FOR? "Paste" is a mixture ... and we use it either ...

LESSON 155

**STRICT** 厳しい、厳密な

**DISOBEY** 従わない

WHY MUST DISCIPLINE IN THE ARMY BE VERY STRICT? Discipline in the ... because soldiers must be trained to behave, not as individuals, but as one solid mass. For this reason the individual's personal wishes have to be strictly controlled. He must be so conditioned to taking orders that, in the heat of battle, he will be more afraid of disobeying an order than he will of the enemy, and will behave not as an individual, but as part of a body ... etc

Another meaning of the word "strict" is "exact".

WHAT'S ANOTHER MEANING OF THE WORD "STRICT"? Another meaning ... is "exact"

GIVE ME AN EXAMPLE, PLEASE!! "What you say is not strictly true"

1036 REVENGE 復讐、仕返しする      REPAY 返す、報いる      SATISFYING 満足な、十分な      WRONG 理由のない損害を与える

WHAT DO WE MEAN BY THE EXPRESSION "REVENGE IS SWEET"?

By the expression ... that, when we have been wronged by somebody, it is very pleasant and satisfying to repay the wrong, or in other words to get our revenge against him; although, of course, it is not very civilized ...

TRIP 小旅行

WHAT DO WE MEAN BY A TRIP? By a trip we mean a short journey

DIVE 飛び込む      ADVISABLE 賢明な

IS IT ADVISABLE TO DIVE INTO SHALLOW WATER? No, it isn't advisable to ... WHY NOT? Because you'd hit your head on the bottom, perhaps drown ... etc.

COMMITTEE 委員会      PARLIAMENTARY 議会の

A committee is a group of people appointed to attend to some kind of special business. Usually this group is appointed by some larger group, to which it belongs. For example, we have university committees, trade union committees, parliamentary committees, and so on.

(10)7 WHAT'S A COMMITTEE? AND GIVE ME SOME EXAMPLES, PLEASE!

A committee is a ... Some examples are university committees ...



**COUGH** 咳をする

WHAT AM I DOING ?? You're coughing

**REWARD** ほうび、報酬、賞与

DO YOU THINK CHILDREN SHOULD BE GIVEN A REWARD FOR BEHAVING THEMSELVES PROPERLY? IF SO, WHAT KIND OF REWARD? OR DO YOU THINK CHILDREN SHOULD BE TAUGHT TO BEHAVE CORRECTLY BECAUSE IT IS THE RIGHT THING TO DO AND NOT JUST FOR THE SAKE OF RECEIVING A REWARD? (I think children ...)

**TWIST** ねじる、こねる

WHAT AM I PRETENDING TO DO ?? You're pretending to twist a piece of paper in your hands, perhaps so that it can be used to get a light from a fire

**COMPLAIN** 苦情、不平を言う **TO ONE'S TASTE** お気に入り

IN A RESTAURANT, WHEN THE FOOD IS EITHER NOT GOOD ENOUGH OR NOT TO YOUR TASTE, DO YOU CALL THE WAITER AND COMPLAIN, OR DO YOU JUST STAY QUIET AND EAT WHAT YOU'RE GIVEN? (In a restaurant, when the food ... I ...)

1038 **COWARD** 臆病者

WHY DO YOU SUPPOSE SOME PEOPLE ARE COWARDS WHILST OTHERS ARE BRAVE ?? I suppose the reason some people ... is that some people are ... smaller, weaker, more afraid to die ...

**RUST** さびる

WHAT HAPPENS TO IRON WHEN IT IS LEFT IN A DAMP ATMOSPHERE ? When iron is left ... it rusts

**STROKE** 打撃、打つこと、一刀、一筆、撫でる

WHICH WOULD CUT DEEPER INTO WOOD: A STROKE FROM A SWORD OR FROM AN AXE, AND WHY ? A stroke from an axe would cut deeper, as an axe is heavier than a sword

HOW MANY STROKES OF THE PEN DOES IT TAKE TO FORM THE CAPITAL LETTER "N" ?? ... three ...

**WHY DOES A CAT LIKE TO BE STROKED?** ... it is said that it probably reminds it of when it used to be cleaned by its mother's tongue ...

**ROAR** うなり声、(ライオンなどが)吠える

1039 **WHAT KIND OF NOISE DOES A LION MAKE?** The kind of noise ... is a roaring noise

**SHOWER** にわか雨、シャワー

**WHAT DO WE MEAN BY A RAIN SHOWER?** By a ... in shower we mean a very short period of rain

**WHICH DO YOU PREFER: A BATH OR A SHOWER?** I Prefer a ...

**SLOPE**  
坂

**BRAKE**  
ブレーキをかける

**STEEP**  
急な坂

**WILL A CAR STAND STILL ON A SLIGHT SLOPE WITHOUT ITS BRAKES ON??** No, a car won't stand ...

**WHAT HAPPENS TO IT?** It begins to slide (or roll) slowly down the slope

**AND IF THE SLOPE IS VERY STEEP WHAT HAPPENS?** If the slope is ... the car gathers speed and probably finishes up by crashing into something and causing a fairly serious accident

**SOIL** 土、土壌

**IS THE SOIL DEEP ON THE SIDE OF A MOUNTAIN?** No ... but it's shallow or thin

**WHY??** Because it gets carried away by the rain ...

1040 **COAT OF ARMS**  
紋章

**DESIGN**  
デザイン、図案

**SHIELD**  
盾

A coat of arms is a design, generally in the shape of a shield, used by a noble family, a town or a university etc. as its symbol.

**WHAT'S A COAT OF ARMS?** A coat of arms is a ...

**BLEED - BLED - BLED** 流血する

WHAT DO WE MEAN WHEN WE SAY THAT SOMEBODY BLEEDS TO DEATH ?/

When we say that ... we mean that, being so badly injured or wounded, they lose so much blood that they die

WHAT'S THE PARADIGM OF "BLEED" ?/ The Paradigm ... bleed - bled - bled

SPIT . SPAT . SPAT 唾をはく

IS IT FORBIDDEN TO SPIT IN THE STREETS IN THIS COUNTRY ?

Yes, it's forbidden ... or ... No, it isn't ...

WHAT'S THE PARADIGM OF "SPIT" ? The paradigm ... spit - spat - spat

RICE 米

(D-1) IN WAR TIME, WHY ARE MESSAGES SOMETIMES WRITTEN ON RICE PAPER ?/

In war time, the reason messages ... is that, if the messenger gets caught by the enemy, he can eat the message

TYPEWRITER タイプライター

WHAT DO WE USE A TYPEWRITER FOR ? We use a typewriter for typing

COMB くし、髪をとかす

HOW MANY TIMES A DAY DO YOU COMB YOUR HAIR ?

I comb my hair about ... a day

RUBBER  
ゴム、消しゴム

RUB OUT  
消しゴムで消す

TYRE  
タイヤ

WHAT DO WE USE RUBBER FOR ? We use rubber for making car or bicycle tyres etc., and for rubbing out mistakes if we are working in pencil ...

DAYBREAK 夜明け

INKY インクのような、真っ黒な

## DICTIONARY 92

The girl's eyebrows and eyelashes were very dark, whereas her hair was fair. The sailors' ship had been wrecked near the shore of the island, and they managed to walk to the land in the pale light of a silvery moon, as the water was only waist deep. Next morning at daybreak they came across some of the natives of the island - strange-looking people with feathers in their hair, one of them with an inky black monkey on one shoulder, which was tearing at a small bunch of bananas the native was holding in

his hand. This man, it appeared, was addressed by the others with some kind of title, and it seemed that they spoke to him with great caution, afraid perhaps of his temper, and the punishment he was able to order for them with a mere word.

1042 LESSON 156

**RIBBON** リボン

**TIE UP** 包装する

**WHAT DO WE USE RIBBON FOR?** We use ribbon for tying up presents. A girl uses it to tie up her hair, and we also use it in a typewriter.

**STUFF** 材料, 物

**MANUFACTURE** 製造する

The word "stuff" we use for anything liquid or solid, raw or manufactured, and especially anything for which we cannot think of the name at the moment of speaking. For example, in a shop we might say "I wonder if you have any of that stuff used for fixing glass in a window?"

**WHAT DO WE USE THE WORD "STUFF" FOR?** We use the word "stuff" for ...

**ROAST** 焼く, あぶる

**OVEN** オーブン

**HOW DO WE ROAST MEAT?** ... by holding it before or over a fire, or by putting it in an oven.

1043 **TRUNK**

幹, 胴体, トランク, 象の鼻

**DESTINATION**

目的地

**SEPARATELY**

別々に

**TRUNK - ROAD**  
幹線道路

**CALL**  
電話する

**TRUNK CALL**  
長距離電話

**WHAT DO WE CALL THE MAIN PART OF THE BODY, THAT IS, THE BODY WITHOUT HEAD, ARMS OR LEGS?** We call the main ... the trunk.

**CONSEQUENTLY, WHAT IS A TREE TRUNK?** A tree trunk is the main part or body of a tree.

**WHAT DO WE MEAN BY A TRUNK USED FOR TRAVELLING?** By a trunk used ... we mean a large, strong box (often wooden) in which we put the main part of our clothing when we travel. We usually send it on to our destination separately, whilst we ourselves just travel with a suitcase.