

Using Your Ingenuity with Unusual words

TRAVEL

1. Chaise -- a light, open carriage, usually with a hood, esp. a one-horse, two-wheeled carriage for two persons; shay.
2. Carriage – a wheeled vehicle for conveying persons, as one drawn by horses and designed for comfort and elegance; passenger vehicle
3. Hack chaise – chaise with rented horses; a hired coach;
4. Phaeton – any of various light, four-wheeled carriages, with or without a top, having one or two seats facing forward
5. Gig – a light, two-wheeled one-horse carriage; open
6. Barouche – a four-wheeled carriage with a high front seat outside for the driver, facing seats inside for two couples, and a calash (a bonnet that folds back) top over the back seat.
7. Curricule - a light, two-wheeled, open carriage drawn by two horses abreast; chariot
8. Postilion- a person who rides the near horse of the leaders to guide the horses drawing a coach; chauffeur or driver

FOOD AND “LADY-THINGS” AND TIME

1. ragout – *French Cookery*. a highly seasoned stew of meat or fish, with or without vegetables.
2. netting (a purse) - a lacelike fabric with a uniform mesh of cotton, silk, rayon, nylon, etc., often forming the foundation of any of various laces.
3. white soup -- Earlier versions involve veal or scalded milk. They would seem to produce something innocuous possibly for invalids. Or: According to *The Friendly Jane Austen*, by Natalie Tyler, "White soup is similar to syllabub in its marriage of cream and sweetened-liquor, but it is more fortifying in that it also includes meat stock, egg yolks, and ground up almonds. Served hot, this cholesterol-laden treat must have added to the general euphoria of a ball." It's a broth made of eggs
4. shoe-roses- A "shoe-rose" is a piece of shoelace or ribbon tied in a rosette pattern, and worn on one's shoe-front.
5. milliner- a person who designs, makes, or sells hats for women.
6. Michaelmas- a festival celebrated on September 29 in honor of the archangel Michael.
7. fortnight – a period of 14 days; two weeks.
8. twelvemonth- a year
9. se'night – seven nights or one week

NATURE AND PLACES

1. palings- One of a row of upright pointed sticks forming a fence; a pale; Pointed sticks used in making fences; pales; A fence made of pales or pickets; white picket fence
2. pales - A stake or pointed stick; a picket; A fence enclosing an area; The area enclosed by a fence or boundary.
3. watering place - a seaside or lakeside vacation resort featuring bathing, boating, etc.

4. petrified spars – A nonmetallic, readily cleavable, translucent or transparent light-colored mineral with a shiny luster, such as feldspar. -- chapter 42 “With the mention of Derbyshire there were many ideas connected. It was impossible for her to see the word without thinking of Pemberley and its owner. "But surely," said she, "I may enter his county without impunity, and rob it of a few petrified spars without his perceiving me."
5. coppice-wood - Coppice Wood has many different uses ranging from firewood to woven fence panels, depending upon species and age: Hardwood Trees in Britain will coppice freely. The most frequently used species are hazel, ash, oak, willow, field maple, and a very popular coppice wood in the south of England, although not a native tree, is sweet chestnut.
6. paddock -- a small, usually enclosed field near a stable or barn for pasturing or exercising animals
7. copse - a thicket of small trees or bushes; a small wood.
8. covies – small flocks or broods of birds

GOVERNMENT/MILITARY/ NOBILITY

1. mayoralty – the time period in which a person serves as mayor; Mr. Lucas was once mayor
2. court of St. James – The royal court of Britain, including the queen or king and a group of officials who aid in ruling the country.
3. entailed – To limit the inheritance of (property) to a specified succession of heirs.
4. militia – a body of citizens enrolled for military service, and called out periodically for drill but serving full time only in emergencies; a body of citizen soldiers as distinguished from professional soldiers
5. regiments of an ensign- uniform of an army officer-- chapter 7
6. present (at court) - a young woman of good family was not considered to be an official member of Society until she had been presented to the monarch at Court. The actual presentation took less than one minute, but it was planned with more care than a corporate takeover, and surrounded by more rules than the most zealous bureaucrat could dream up.

CARD/ TABLE GAMES

1. Vingt-et-un – the card game black jack or twenty-one
2. commerce – an old form of poker; Each player has a hand of cards and there are some face-up cards on the table. At your turn you can try to improve your hand by swapping one of your cards for a table card. This continues until someone is satisfied with their hand and brings the game to a close. These games are known in various countries; they include Thirty-one or Schnautz, Commerce, Stop the Bus and Whisky Poker.
3. draughts – checkers
4. loo – betting card game; similar to Spades; Wickham plays this game; a trivial and once disreputable trick-taking game for five or more players. It was equally popular as a gambling game, when it could get quite vicious, or as a mild domestic pastime, such as it appears in the novels of Jane Austen. Its twofold personality extends equally to its form, there being two closely related games of the same name, one being played with three cards and the other with five. Both reached England from France probably with the restoration of the monarchy in 1660.

5. piquet - Piquet is a very old game. Piquet is game for two players, using a shortened pack of 32 cards which omits 2 to 6 in each suit. In ascending order, the cards rank **7, 8, 9, 10, J, Q, K, A** (high).
6. backgammon - a board game for two players in which the playing pieces are moved according to the roll of dice. A player wins by removing all of his checkers from the board. There are many variants of backgammon, most of which share common traits. Backgammon is a member of the tables family, one of the oldest classes of board games in the world.
7. lottery tickets - Another "round game", in which you win if you hold a certain card (the winning "lottery ticket"). Lydia's game
8. fish - are gaming tokens which serve the same purpose as modern "chips".
9. whist - The precursor of bridge; four people play as two sets of partners; Men's Bridge
10. pools at quadrille - A game played by four people with a deck of 40 cards; Female Bridge
11. casino - A matching (?) game in which the ten of diamonds and the deuce of spades score.

MISCELLANY

1. extracts- pieces of books, maybe a chapter in length or shorter excerpts
2. Boulanger - A French dance ("The Baker"). ➔ See the music and the (somewhat illegible) instructions for this dance ("Co:" is an abbreviation for "couple", and apparent "f" without a crossbar is an "s"); similar to the Waltz
3. trade – a disparaging word for business (this meant one worked for a living instead of inheriting money); used in a condescending manner; working of a living was not “done” by this class of people
4. instrument – any musical instrument: piano,
5. Fordyce's Sermons – Fordyce's *Sermons to Young Women* (1766), the object of Lydia's vigorous (though hardly well-mannered) act of naïve criticism, was a conservative work of morality, the pages of which were used by Lydia Languish's hair-dresser as hair-curling paper in Sheridan's *The Rivals*, and which was scored by Wollstonecraft for being insulting to women (in her *Vindication of the Rights of Women*).
6. missish – an adjective, prim; affected; prudish.