

# Sniglet

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A **sniglet** is defined as a "word that should be in the dictionary, but *isn't*". While [Rich Hall](#) invented the word "sniglet" itself, sniglets are actually a long-running popular joke in which people make up their own humorous words to describe things or concepts that have no "official" words. Sniglets were popularized during the [1980s](#), on the [HBO](#) comedy series [Not Necessarily the News](#). Comedian and cast member Rich Hall had a regular segment on sniglets during each episode of the monthly series.

## **Examples**

- **ARG (Audio Retinal Gyration)**: The act of trying to read the label on a [LP](#) record while it's playing on a turntable. (Hall 1985a: 93)
- **Bleemus**: The spot on a dog's belly which you can scratch which makes his or her leg twitch uncontrollably. (Not Necessarily The News)
- **Blivet**: to flip your pillow looking for a cool spot (Hall 1984: 14)
- **Cheedle**: The orange residue left on fingers after eating Cheetos or some other cheesy snack (Hall 1984: 21)
- **Execuglide**: The act of using your wheeled office chair to move from one place to another. (Hall 1985a: 31)
- **Glackett**: The ball inside a can of spray paint (or other aerosol can) for stirring the contents inside the can. (Hall 1984: 38)
- **Snifferidge**: The groove running between the nose and the mouth (Hall 1984: 92). (The real name for this structure is the [philtrum](#).)
- **Toastaphobia**: - The fear of sticking a fork in a [toaster](#) even when it's unplugged. (Hall 1985a: 83)

Slarker (anthony bittner) n. someone who works harder at not working that that which it would take to complete the original work.

Academesis (travis wittwer) n. that other person with whom you constantly compare your report card and test scores. You friend or classmate with which you are in an academic competition.

Countuntry (travis wittwer) n. that location in the world when driving where only county music stations come in clear. Countuntic, adj.

\*\*\*Variation: use a dictionary to find the pronunciation of your word and the symbols on the computer to make it so.