

September 19, 1989

Once upon a time, there was some gossip going on in the TAProom. This may not seem terribly unusual, but in this particular instance one Neil Rubenking chanced to use the word *propinquitous* and sparked to life the game of FICTIONARY in the TAPCIS Forum. (See Appendix B).

Twenty-five rounds having been completed, this seems a good time to look back over the dealers, the def's, and da woids of the game so far. What you'll find here are the words from FICTIONARY Rounds 1 through 25, with the *real* definition of each, and the top scoring fictitious definitions. (Note: the definitions were selected based on the number of votes they received, in some cases the winnah of the round may not have had one of the best vote-getters.)

So here they are, from KECKLE to ZEUGMA, in:

The FICTIONARY Dictionary (Abridged)

KECKLE [Theresa Carey - Round 1]

- 1) v.t. to wrap a cable with rope to prevent chafing.
- 2) n. (Scots.) a measure of grain, esp. barley, equal to three gills liquid measure; orig., twice the amount held in two hands cupped together.

MISTIGRIS [Anders Sterner - Round 2]

- 1) n. a musteline carnivore of South and Central America, having the upper surface of the body grayish-white and the lower dark brown.
- 2) n. a joker, or blank card, used in a variety of poker.
- 3) n. an herb found in the Middle East, used in cooking.

RAMBUTAN [Howard Benner - Round 3]

- 1) n. the bright red, oval fruit of a Malayan tree, covered with soft spines, or hairs, and having a subacid taste.
- 2) n. (Heraldry) two horizontal bands extending three-quarters of the way across an escutcheon.

BORELE [Toni Savage - Round 4]

- 1) n. a gas-filled spherical cavity found in volcanic rock.
- 2) n. the smaller of two rhinoceroses found in South Africa.
- 3) n. a slurry mixture of plaster and lime in combination with horsehair and other fibrous filler to provide a scratch coat for ornamental plasterwork; also a term referring to Coves, Crowns, Friezes and decorative plaster reliefs of the French plaster lathesmen.

4) n. the plastic or metallic tip of a shoestring.

THOOID

[Neil Rubenking - Round 5]

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- 1) (1. adj. but by extension also 2. n.) - 1. in the shape of a three-angled, open quadrilateral, as in a handle; 2. an object of thoid configuration.
 - 2) adj. of, pertaining to, or involving the pituitary gland.
 - 3) n. a geometric shape formed by the intersection of two cones in four-dimensional space. See also four-dimensional topology.
 - 4) n. one of the thoid, or lupine, series of carnivores.
 - 5) n. a gas-filled spherical cavity found in volcanic rock.
 - 6) n. the small oblong plates that make up the spongy tissue in the soft palate.

HUMUHUMUNUKUNUKUAPUAA

[Joshua Poulson - Round 6]

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- 1) n. (Hawaiian) atomic bomb.
 - 2) n. the Hawaiian name for a species of fish popularized in the lyrics to the song "I want to go back (to my little grass shack)" sung by Arthur Godfrey.
 - 3) n. (Hawaiian) a small, Hawaiian trigger-fish.
 - 4) n. a toast meaning "bottom's up"; literally, "bottom to the moon".

KAIF

[Frank Cook - Round 7]

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- 1) n. spiced chopped meat, a Middle Eastern foodstuff.
 - 2) n. a condition marked by voluptuous and dreamy repose and the passive enjoyment of mere sense [; the Arabs' ideal state of bliss].
 - 3) n. (Turkish or Amharic) hashish.

GNEISS

[Jim Korenthal - Round 8]

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- 1) n. (German) a small but dangerous dip in a ski slope, often caused by a protruding rock.
 - 2) n. a coarse-grained, granitelike rock formed of layers of feldspar, quartz, mica, etc.
 - 3) n. the copper escutcheon plate surrounding the nozzle on all sculpted fountains.
 - 4) n. an imposter or charlatan, especially one feigning illness.

KYACK

[Theresa Carey - Round 9]

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- 1) n. (Hungar.) a small hollow between two hills.
 - 2) n. a Tibetan ass.
 - 3) n. a callous tumour on the leg of a horse, slightly below the

bending of the ham on the outside.

- 4) n. a small hoofed mammal related to the gazelle family; native to the plains of Africa.
- 5) n. Russian fermented drink resembling sour beer, made from rye, barley, etc.

JARDON

[Crane Davis - Round 10]

- 1) n. thong cut from the hide of an animal and used to hang it for aging.
- 2) n. a curved iron plate attached above a plowshare to lift and turn the soil.
- 3) n. a forked extension of the guard of a sword or dagger, used to catch and hold the opponent's weapon.
- 4) n. a callous tumour on the leg of a horse, slightly below the bending of the ham on the outside.
- 5) n. (Fr. Coll.) 1. the cluster of dwellings around the castle or home of a nobleman. 2. all the dwellings on a nobleman's property. 3. the leader of the inhabitants on a nobleman's property.

GRIM-THE-COLLIER

[Neil Rubenking - Round 11]

- 1) n. Cockney rhyming slang: collier --> "folla' yer" -- hence, any surveillor, esp. police; tail.
- 2) n. [So called after a character in an Elizabethan comedy, in allusion to its smutty involucre] in botany, the orange Hawkweed of Europe, Hieracium Aurantiacum, now found in the northeastern United States; called also king devil.
- 3) n. (obs.) Victorian English slang for (1) death; (2) an undertaker.

HAPUKA

[Mike Carroll - Round 12]

- 1) n. a reindeer-drawn sleigh of Lapland, shaped like the front half of a canoe, in which a single rider sits with back against a vertical support and legs stretched forward.
- 2) n. a large food fish of New Zealand.
- 3) n. a small, bivalve mollusk common to the Hawaiian Islands. The shell of this mollusk is used in making costume jewelery.
- 4) n. a broad-limbed annonaceous tree of the Phillipines, Malaysia, etc, often planted for shade.
- 5) n. a calculating device made of colored rope with knots, used by the ancient Incans.

PADNAG

[Jim Mack - Round 13]

- 1) n. an Indian dessert made from fried milk curd served in yoghurt and flavoured with honey.
- 2) n. an Indonesian dish of fish recooked with rice, etc., with a sauce of palm oil.

- 3) n. an ambling nag; a pad. "An easy _padnag_" [Macaulay]
- 4) n. (Thai: pad=noodle + nag=nut) A dish considered a delicacy in the Chiangmai district, consisting of noodles about the size of vermicelli, scallions, feather mushrooms, and any variety of nuts, often cashews, with a spicy peanut sauce. Var. of goong pad ka-nah.

CRIBROSE

[Monte Davis - Round 14]

- 1) adj. striated with deep parallel ridges, as some leaves.
- 2) adj. perforated or sieve-like; having many small openings
- 3) adj. brittle (also cribrous)
- 4) adj. having the margin notched at regular intervals. [Bot.]

DESS

[Toni Savage - Round 15]

- 1) n. decorative ornamentation on sides or top of a banister.
- 2) n. [dial. Brit.] Ledge, shelf.
- 3) n. the residue resulting from carding wool.
- 4) v.t. to partially remove a previously applied coat of lacquer, as one step in the creation of certain types of lacquerware.
adj. describing a partially removed coat of lacquer; a dess coat.
- 5) n. waxy substance used in carpentry to ease fitting joints of wood together.

FUTHARK

[Larry Crimmins - Round 16]

- 1) n. (O.E. Falconry) protective leather wrappings worn on arm and shoulder.
- 2) n. the runic alphabet. [So called from the first six letters, equivalent to _f_, _u_, _th_, _o_, _r_, _c_.] Also futhorc, futhork.
- 3) n. belled anklet, usu. of motley or leather, worn by jesters.

CANCERIN

[Jim Korenthal - Round 17]

- 1) n. heavily armored mounted soldier of the Byzantine Empire; a cataphract.
- 2) n. claw-shaped decoration fitted as part of the handle on a halberd or broadsword.
- 3) n. an artificial guano from Newfoundland.
- 4) n. a toxin produced by the horseshoe crab, used in insecticides.

ARGAL

[R.H. Ingalls - Round 18]

- 1) n. [Fr.] a heavy sediment that tends to form in wines shortly

after bottling.

- 2) n. [Mongol.] dried cow-dung used as fuel in Tartary.
- 3) n. a pin usu. of hard wood that tapers to a point and is used in opening the strands of a rope.

GREX

[Loren Jenkins - Round 19]

- 1) v.t. to crush or pulverize.
- 2) n. 1. an iguanoid lizard indigenous to the American Southwest, smaller than a true iguano and with a sail-like dorsal fin; 2. the hide of the grex.
- 3) n. a finely crushed ceramic material; chiefly used in the manufacture of jeweler's rouge and rouge cloth.
- 4) n. a numerical system for measuring the size of fibers, or yarns, based on the weight in grams of 10,000 meters of the fibrous material. [from the expression "gram per x"(ten)]
- 5) n. a tall perennial (Epilobium angustifolium) of the evening-primrose family that has long spikes of pinkish purple flowers and is an important honey plant in some areas--called also willow herb.

KNOUT

[Larry Crimmins - Round 20]

- 1) n. a whip with leather thongs, used formerly in Russia to punish criminals. --(v.t.) To punish or flog with the knout.
- 2) n. a heavy German pastry stuffed with highly spiced sausage.
- 3) n. the protuberance on the forehead of the Indian Elephant, often covered with a cloth or tapestry.

BEBUNG

[Larry Brown - Round 21]

- 1) n. a children's game, popular in the late 19th century in England, in which participants made up nonsense rhymes.
- 2) n. a large beaker or canister of blown glass, characterized by a bulbous shape; (obs.) retort.
- 3) n. diphthong composed of a long "a" and a soft "i".
- 4) n. a trembling. [In music, a sustained note having a pulsating or effect.]
- 5) n. a small wedge-shaped runner built into the gundecks of English warships to prevent cannons from excess recoil.

GREGO

[Joan Friedman - Round 22]

- 1) n. section of opera where the libretto is composed of a series of single alternating lines by at least two characters; a passionate interchange.
- 2) n. a coarse jacket with a hood, worn in the Levant.
- 3) n. a mass of molten glass gathered on a blowpipe or in a feeder, as the initial step in forming a glass object.

- 4) n. highly ornamental sabretache worn in hussar regiments.
- 5) n. the course of masonry against which the voussoirs of a segmental arch abut.

MOTHER CAREY'S CHICKENS

[R.H. Ingalls - Round 23]

- 1) A grouping of small ornamental hedges placed near a large bush or tree in a formal English garden.
- 2) Unlikely allies; from the suffragette prostitutes (1900-05) in the employ of Veronica (Mother) Carey.
- 3) A group of nine small and contiguous barrier islands off Cape Freels, on the northeast coast of Newfoundland.
- 4) Stormy petrels, who follow ships continuously, have a bat-like flight and tickle their toes on the waves; once held in superstitious regard by sailors.
- 5) (slang) Derogatory name applied to the members of an Irish miners' union of the early 1920's; followers of union organizer Michael Garrett Carey (1891 - 1924).
- 6) Counterfeited evidence. So-called after the 18th-century Lichfield impostor, Mother Carey, who convinced Church officials that she had given birth to chickens.

FISHYBACK

[Jon Jacobs - Round 24]

- 1) n. a kitchen utensil with a ribbed edge, used for slicing food in a decorative manner.
- 2) n. the sloping face of a wall, narrow at the top and wide at the base, in a fortification. 2) an accumulation of loose or broken stones at the bottom of such a wall.
- 3) n. the 100-rupee paper currency of Mauritius, featuring Governor-General Sir Seewoosagur Ramgoolam on the front and an abalone on the verso.
- 4) n. the movement of truck trailers or freight containers by barge or ship.
- 5) n. a species of duck, so called for the variegated coloring of the back feathers.

ZEUGMA

[Neil Rubenking - Round 25]

- 1) v.t., v.i., to inflict or suffer zeugma; (n.) excruciating mental or bodily pain; agony; torture.
- 2) n. Middle European horn of the late preclassical period; later developed into the cornet, trumpet, and flugelhorn.
- 3) n. a figure of speech in which a single modifier, usually a verb or adjective, applies to two or more words, with only one of which it seems logically connected.

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The Fictionary Dictionary
An Index to the Authors

KECKLE

[Theresa Carey -- Round 1]

- 1) The Real definition -- 0 votes

2) Anders R. Sterner -- 5 votes

MISTIGRIS

[Anders Sterner -- Round 2]

- 1) Howard Benner -- 2 votes
2) Webster's New International (1929) -- 0 votes
3) Toni Savage -- 2 votes

RAMBUTAN

[Howard Benner -- Round 3]

- 1) OED/RHD -- 5 votes
2) Toni Savage -- 2 votes

BORELE

[Toni Savage -- Round 4]

- 1) Neil Rubenking -- 11 votes
2) N.Webster -- 0 votes
3) Dan Turner -- 4 votes
4) Mark Young -- 7 votes

THOOID

[Neil Rubenking -- Round 5]

- 1) Joan Friedman -- 3 votes
2) Howard Benner -- 3 votes
3) Joshua R. Poulson -- 7 votes
4) Noah Webster -- 4 votes
5) Jim Korenthal AND Frank Cook -- 3 votes
6) Alex Stevens -- 3 votes

HUMUHUMUNUKUNUKUAPUAA

[Joshua Poulson -- Round 6]

- 1) Joan Friedman -- 3 votes
2) Frank Cook -- 2 votes
3) Noah Webster -- 3 votes
4) Claude Bitner -- 2 votes

KAIF

[Frank Cook -- Round 7]

- 1) Jim Korenthal -- 5 votes
2) Funk & Wagnalls -- 5 votes
3) J.Trachman -- 5 votes

GNEISS

[Jim Korenthal -- Round 8]

- 1) J. Trachman -- 1 vote
2) Webster's -- 3 votes
3) Dan Turner -- 1 vote
4) T Carey -- 1 vote

KYACK ** See Appendix A **

[Theresa Carey -- Round 9]

- 1) Toni Savage -- 4 votes
2) World Book Dictionary, 1966 edition -- 3 votes
3) Crane Davis -- 6 votes
4) Tracey Seisser -- 4 votes
5) Neil Rubenking -- 5 votes

JARDON

[Crane Davis -- Round 10]

- 1) Derek Cooper -- 9 votes
2) Loren Jenkins -- 7 votes
3) Neil Rubenking -- 12 votes
4) OED -- 3 votes
5) Dick Toll -- 7 votes

GRIM-THE-COLLIER

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CANCERIN

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2) Steve Dixon -- 5 votes
3) Noah Oxford -- 4 votes
4) Toni Savage -- 4 votes

ARGAL

[R.H. Ingalls -- Round 18]

- 1) Steve Dixon -- 4 votes
2) [OED] Prunella Smythe-Ponsonby -- 1 vote
3) Loren Jenkins -- 4 votes

GREX

[Loren Jenkins -- Round 19]

- 1) Neil Rubenking -- 4 votes
2) Frank Cook & Steve Dixon -- 4 votes
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 iguano; 2. the hide of the grex.
 (Dixon) n. a small lizard with a sail-like dorsal fin,
 indigenous to the American Southwest.
3) Larry Crimmins -- 9 votes
4) RHD -- 2 votes
5) Anders R. Sterner -- 4 votes

KNOUT

[Larry Crimmins -- Round 20]

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GREGO

[Joan Friedman -- Round 22]

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MOTHER CAREY'S CHICKENS

[R.H. Ingalls -- Round 23]

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- 1) Theresa Carey -- 3 votes
 - 2) Loren Jenkins -- 5 votes
 - 3) Jon Jacobs -- 3 votes
 - 4) The Mariners Dictionary -- 4 votes
 - 5) Larry Crimmins -- 3 votes
 - 6) Joan Friedman -- 3 votes

FISHYBACK

[Jon Jacobs -- Round 24]

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ZEUGMA

[Neil Rubenking -- Round 25]

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 - 2) Jon Jacobs -- 3 votes
 - 3) Noah Webster -- 3 votes

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The Fictionary Dictionary -- Appendix A
The KYACK/KYANG Apologia

Sb: #Kyack, The Movie
Fm: Theresa W. Carey 73167,17
To: All

OK, Folks...

We had a bit of a weird go-round this round. I think I'll blame it on Kent <grin>, but I'll let YOU be the judge.

Kent and I talked about some of the funnier words from old rounds of live Fictionary, and remembered fondly a round that his father "dealt" a few years back. The word, as we remembered it, was "Kyack" and he got quite a few long involved definitions. In person, keep in mind, people are all writing these things up together, and while copying the real definition from the dictionary Kent's dad scribbled for a LONG LONG time. So we all went on and on, writing ever longer definitions. One of them, as I recall, had 3 parts to it.

In person, the "dealer" collects the definitions (all written on little pieces of paper) and arranges them in a sort of random order. Kent's dad went through the deck, and laughed a little as he read the definition, "A Tibetan ass." Nobody picked it, because we all KNEW (or thought we did) that the word had a long long definition. Well ... he should have gotten an Academy award for that one!! So, for old time's sake, I thought it would be funny to do the same word here.

Except for one thing. Kent and I remembered the word as KYACK, but it was really KYANG. I scored the round as though it was legit, and for what it's worth the dictionary Kyang came from has Kyack listed as "a packsack that

hangs on either side of a packsaddle [Origin unknown.]" It doesn't have anything about a small boat in the definition. So the REAL definition wasn't really in there.

Now, I think we should just go on from here but if any of you are feeling particularly outraged at this massive stupidity and want to do something besides accept an abject apology from me, let me know. Vote for one of the following:

1. Reject the entire round.
2. Double everyone's points and step on Theresa's foot repeatedly.
3. Send Theresa to "Managing Your Memory" school, taught by Sister Mary Mojo Holywater.
4. Make her try to put a kyack on a borele that's standing on some gneiss.
5. Accept the points as awarded, make Crane suffer through being the dealer, and everyone continue to have a great time!

-- T.

[Editor's note: option #5 was just about unanimous.]

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The Fictionary Dictionary -- Appendix B
MOTHER Gives Birth to a Game

Loves and flirts online
S 7 / The TAProom

#97546

Fm: Larry Brown 73210,2155
To: Theresa W. Carey 73167,17
Dt: 27-Jun-89

No rumors here, just facts. Josh and Azadeh. Monte and Crane. Or is that Crane and Monte? Neil and Jnet. JJ and Nina. Howard B. and Tapper's Girl. Bill and Esther. Sandra and Jim Manzi. You and any virgin male. Jay and any available female. Joan and CIS. Fernando.

Larry

#97819 reply to #97546

Fm: Sandra Lashway 70521,305
To: Larry Brown 73210,2155
Dt: 28-Jun-89 13:33:19

HEY!!! You put me with Manzi?? I think MRS. Manzi may object!... and since I knew her before I knew him.... Seriously Larry.. couldn't your FACT finding mission find me with someone a bit more single.... Like...Mr. Hurt?? And what about that guy I live with??.... what if he finds out.... OHHHH WOOOooe.... to be a victim of ruthless journalism....

Sandra

#98008 reply to #97819

Fm: Neil Rubenking 72241,50
To: Sandra Lashway 70521,305
Dt: 29-Jun-89

Ms. Lashway,

We have instigated your request and granted your wish. Henceforward you will be paired with MRS. Manzi, due to the verified fact of longer propinquitous association. Thank you for your support.

-- Ministry of Truth

#98039 reply to #98008

Fm: Monte Davis 71450,3542

To: Neil Rubenking 72241,50
Dt: 29-Jun-89

Wow! RECDIR is ***propinquitous***? I never knew that, and I thought I'd heard *all* the good stuff.

=Monte= <who thinks maybe he'd better install Korenthal-Webster's New World RamHog after all>

#98207 reply to #98039
Fm: Neil Rubenking 72241,50
To: Monte Davis 71450,3542
Dt: 30-Jun-89

Monte,

I have to confess, I *assumed* "propinquitous" was a word based on "propinquity", paralleling "iniquitous" and "iniquity". But Mr. K-Webster may not agree. Propinquity, of course, is merely "nearness in time or place", but don't it sound NASTY?

-- Neil

#98442 reply to #98207
Fm: Theresa W. Carey 73167,17
To: Neil Rubenking 72241,50
Dt: 02-Jul-89

Neil --

It sounds WONDERFULLY nasty, and will be co-opted into my vocabulary with great haste. <grin>

That reminds me of the time when I was "studying" for the SATs, and we started making up words that SOUNDED like SAT words. "Incanscudent" was one of our favorites; also "insegrevious". Don't they sound like they should be followed by multiple-choice definitions??

-- T.

#98547 reply to #98442
Fm: Neil Rubenking 72241,50
To: Theresa W. Carey 73167,17
Dt: 03-Jul-89

T.,

Isn't there a game that involved making up definitions for those words? Or no, wait, you find REAL ones like that in the dictionary and then everyone else makes up a definition. Now the entries are shuffled and read, and you vote which sounds best. If the dictionary definition doesn't win, you have to call Mr. Webster. Right?

-- Neil

#98577 reply to #98547
Fm: Theresa W. Carey 73167,17
To: Neil Rubenking 72241,50
Dt: 03-Jul-89

Neil --

Around here, we call that game "Fictionary" and have a lot of fun with it. You get 1 point when someone else picks your definition, and 2 points when you pick the right one (the one copied from the dictionary <grin>). Some of the definitions made up are so creative that I remember them better than the real ones.

Hey, next time you make ice cream, we'll play Fictionary to work off some of the calories, yes??

-- T.

#98673 reply to #98577
Fm: John Wexler 71360,3070
To: Theresa W. Carey 73167,17
Dt: 04-Jul-89

We play that game too T, although scoring is slightly different. Its a terrific game. One important rule is that you has to confess if you know the real definition. It's interesting how the definitions frequently run in sets (albeit completely off the wall).

Another thrill is to provide two definitions, one for public consumption and the other intended for the person reading the answers. Many lewd, rude and otherwise totally inappopriate messages are passed that way <grin>...

We could probably even play it "on line". It might be interesting.

Has anyone ever played stinky pinky.

You put together two rhyiming words, make a definition and announce " I have a stink - pink, stinky-pinky, stinkeroo-pinkeroo etc. depending upon the # of syllables. Then people try to guess. eg.

A stinkeroo-pinkeroo. The top banana sleeps here. Ans. Presidents Residence.

.. jpw

#98747 reply to #98673
Fm: Monte Davis 71450,3542
To: John Wexler 71360,3070
Dt: 04-Jul-89

Migawd, how have we spent this much time together and not played Fictionary? It's one of my Most Favorites. You can't always predict who'll do well, because the game puts a premium on something rarer than --- and not always coexistent with --- a large vocabulary: the "ear" for roots and formations that lets one fake a definition that sounds more appropriate than the real one.

Some good 'uns: oxters... oriel... furze... widdershins... turgor.

#98812 reply to #98747
Fm: John Wexler 71360,3070
To: Monte Davis 71450,3542
Dt: 04-Jul-89

Knowing a second language helps too. For example medicine. I'm disqualified on turgor. It's a great game, but I just realized that seeing the word is different from hearing it. Oh well, here's my definitions.

oxters - Specialists in the training and care of oxen.

widdershins - New England expression for bruises on legs caused by walking into fallen logs. Derived from the expression widdermakers relating to tree limbs unexpectedly falling on loggers heads.

Just saw another problem with this game over CIS. Hard to shuffle the definitions so to speak

There are lots of things we haven't done together yet Monte. Did I show you my canoe <hehehe>

..jpw

#98770 reply to #98673
Fm: Theresa W. Carey 73167,17
To: John Wexler 71360,3070
Dt: 04-Jul-89

Dr. W --

Yes, you have to confess if you know the word before starting to make up definitions. It's funny to see people fall into "patterns" of sorts in their answers. My brother in law Paul almost always makes up something having to do with a dread disease. Another b-i-l is fond of things that might be found in South American jungles. I found myself making up definitions having to do with primitive arts and crafts.

I think we could play this online, but people would have to PROMISE to leave their dictionaries alone unless it's their turn to pick the words!

Haven't played stinky pinky! Hey, shouldn't we start a new thread?

-- T.

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#: 98774 S7/The TAProom
04-Jul-89 17:37:22
Sb: Fictionary, Round 1
Fm: Theresa W. Carey 73167,17
To: Monte Davis 71450,3542

OK, Monte and everyone

Let's give it a go! The first word we'll try is at the end of this message. IF YOU KNOW IT, don't participate this time. IF YOU DON'T KNOW IT, make up an appropriate sounding definition and EPlax it to me by 11:59 PM PDT tomorrow, July 5th. I will put all the definitions together and post them in this thread. Then you have until 11:59 PM PDT Thursday, July 6th, to pick the answer you think is right. Then I'll unveil the results, and let the "lead" pass to whoever amasses the most points.

Points awarded as follows: 2 points if you pick the right answer. 1 point each time somebody picks YOUR definition.

Ready??

The word is KECKLE.

-- T.

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[That's how the whole thing started.]

[]Loren