

Australian Slang

Arvo: afternoon

Aussie salute: brushing flies away with the hand

Barbie: barbecue

Barrack: to cheer on (football team)

Bathers: swimming costume

Battler: a hard worker only just making a living

Bingle: minor car accident / fight

Bodgy: poor quality

Bogan: person who takes little pride in their appearance; spends their

days slacking and drinking beer

Booze bus: police vehicle used for breathalysing, catching drunk drivers

Bottle shop: off license

Bring a plate: Instruction on party or BBQ invitation to bring your own

food. It doesn't mean they're short of crockery!

BYO unlicensed restaurant where you have to bring your own

alcohol; an invitation to a party or barbecue

Cark it: to die; stop working

Captain Cook: look, ("Let's have a Captain Cook")

Chook: chicken

Chuck a uey: do a u turn

Click: kilometre – "it's 30 clicks away"

Clobber: clothes

Coldie: a beer

Costs big bikkies: expensive

Cut lunch: sandwiches



Dag: a funny person, nerd

Docket: a bill, receipt

Doozey: something overwhelming, huge, out of the norm

Drongo: a dope, stupid person

Dunny: lavatory

Earbashing: nagging, non-stop chatter

Esky: large insulated food/drink container for picnics, barbecues etc.

Fair dinkum: true, genuine

Fair go: a chance, ("give a bloke a fair go")

Flat out: busy

Flat out like a

lizard drinking: very busy

Flog: to sell or steal

Fly wire: gauze flyscreen covering window or doorway

Fossicking: to search or rummage

Furphy: false or unreliable rumour

Galah: fool, silly person.

G'day: hello

Give it a burl: try it, have a go

Going off: good fun

Heaps: a lot

Hotel: often just a pub

Icy pole: popsicle, lollypop

I feel stuffed: I'm tired

I'll be stuffed: expression of surprise

It's gone

walkabout: It's lost; can't be found



Jocks: male underwear

Larrikin: a joker

Lollies: sweets

Make a quid: earn a living - "Are you making a quid?"

Mates' rates: cheaper than usual for a friend

Nipper: young surf lifesaver

Not the full quid: not bright intellectually

Not within cooee: a long way away, far off

No worries: no problem; it's okay

Pash: passionate kiss

Perve: looking lustfully (at either sex)

Piece of piss: an easy task

Pig's arse: I don't agree with you

Prezzy: present, gift

Rack off: get lost; get out of here

Rapt: pleased, delighted

Rego: vehicle registration

Rellie: family relative

Ridgy-didge: original, genuine

Ripper: great, fantastic - "It was a ripper party"

Ripper, you little: Exclamation of delight, or as a reaction to good news

Roadie: a beer you buy to take away with you

Ropeable: very angry

Rort: cheating, defrauding

Servo: petrol station

Sheila: a woman



She'll be right: It'll be okay; don't worry

Shit house: of poor quality; unenjoyable

Shout: a round of drinks

Smoko: smoke or coffee break

Snag: a sausage

Sook: person who is soft, tame, inoffensive. Hence: sooky

Spewin': very angry, upset about something

Spit the dummy: get very upset at something

Spunk: a good-looking person

Squizz: to look

Sticky-beak: nosy person

Stoked: very pleased

Stubby holder: beer bottle cooler

Sunnies: sunglasses

Thongs: flip flops

Tinny: can of beer

Tinny: small aluminium boat

To come the raw

prawn: to bullshit, to be generally disagreeable

Togs: swim suit

Trackie dacks: tracksuit pant

Veg out: relax in front of the TV (like a vegetable)

Woop Woop: name for any small, unimportant town

"He/she lives in Woop Woop"

Yewy: u-turn in traffic

Yobbo: an uncouth person