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# Words Gone Wild: Puns, Puzzles, Poesy, Palaver, Persiflage, And Poppycock



## Synopsis

Chock-full of jokes and entertaining twists of the tongue, this lighthearted but scholarly guide to humorous language is a surefire hit with word lovers. The examples are entertainingly bawdy, with a delightful narrative voice in word sleuth and author, Jim Bernhard. He provides examples and puzzles, teaching a smidgen of historical and etymological scholarship, but above all, amusing his audience. Puns from Greek dramatists, Shakespeare, the Bible, George S. Kaufman, and Groucho Marx vie for attention with comical spoonerisms, droll malapropisms, witty anagrams, and humorous palindromes; plus original material by the author; including limericks, clerihews, crossword puzzles, acrostic puzzles, tonguetwisters, and other kinds of word play. Some examples: Why does a match box? Because it sees a tin can. Time flies like an arrow. Fruit flies like a banana. The pony was unable to talk because he was a little hoarse. Two peanuts went into a bar. One was a salted. The chicken that crossed the road was pure poultry in motion. As the gardener said when asked why he was cutting grass with a pair of scissors: "That's all there is; there isn't any mower."

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## Customer Reviews

This book really is for people who love words. Exquisite poetry. A chuckle or a guffaw every 5 seconds. Can't read it in bed with sleeping hubby; silent laughing would shake the bed and wake him up.

I adored this book, and if you love words, you will too. Bernhard fills each chapter with fascinating

facts about different kinds of poetry and word games, and the examples and puzzles make it fun. It still sits on my desk with lots of dog-eared pages. What will I try myself first? Lipograms? Tom Swifities? Limericks? I can't decide, but the book was an inspiration.

After purchasing *Words Gone Wild* as gifts for others I bought it as a gift for myself. Mine is on an iPad/Kindle where I can enjoy reading and rereading it piecemeal!

Great for fans of word games and puzzles.

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