



The Australian National Dictionary: Australian Words and Their Origins - 2 Volumes A-L and M-Z (Hardback)

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Oxford University Press Australia, Australia, 2016. Hardback. Condition: New. 2nd Revised edition. Language: English . Brand New Book. The Australian National Dictionary (AND) is a dictionary of Australianisms. It includes words and meanings that have originated in Australia, that have a greater currency here than elsewhere, or that have a special significance in Australian history. Major features: All entries from the first edition, which was published in 1988, have been thoroughly revised and updated. 6000 new entries have been added. There are more than 16,000 Australian terms. It differs from general dictionaries in being based on historical principles, like the comprehensive Oxford English Dictionary. This means it describes the full history of a word, starting with its earliest appearance, establishing its origin, and documenting its use over time. They include: regional terms from different states and territories; terms from Aboriginal English, a major dialect of Australian English; historical terms from the convict era, the gold rushes, farming, and the experience of war; colloquial terms, including rhyming slang and numerous lively and colourful idioms. New entries cover all aspects of Australian life, history, culture, and values, as indicated by this brief list: ambo, barbecue stopper, bogan, budgie smugglers, bunny rug, captain's pick, chiko roll, chook lit, chroming, copha, corkie, couldn't...



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