NEW WORDS

900 new words in 3 months

Everyone knows the English language is changing. Every three months, the OED (Oxford English Dictionary) publishes updates to its online dictionary. One recent update contained 900 new words, new expressions, or new meanings for existing words. But where do they all come from?

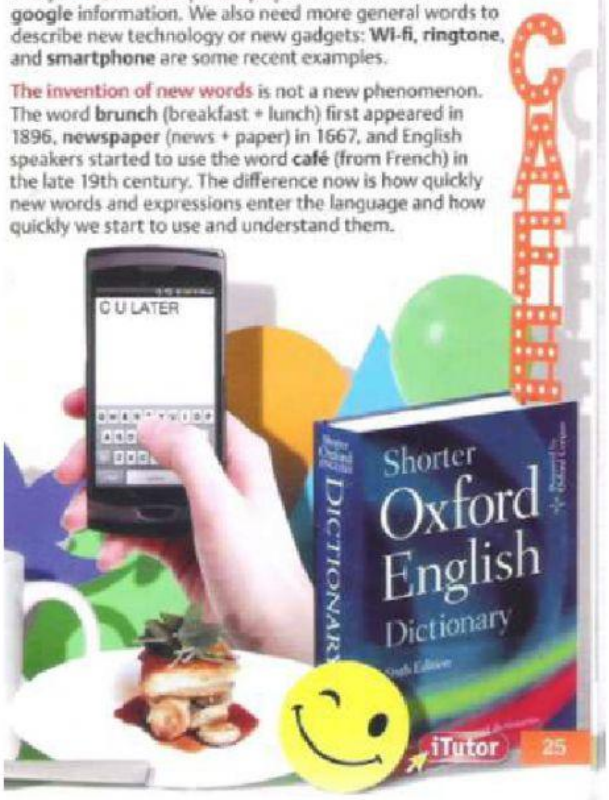
New words are created in many different ways. We can make a new word by combining two words, like **gastropub** (gastronomy + pub) or **emoticon** (emotion + icon). Sometimes we put two words together in a new way, for example **road rage** or **toy boy**.

We also find that nouns can change into verbs. Take the word **text**. Text was always a noun (from about 1369, according to the OED), but it is now very common as a verb, **to text** somebody. Other new words already existed but with a different meaning. For example, **tweet** was the noise that a bird makes, but now we use it more often (as a verb or a noun) for a message that people put on the social networking site Twitter.

Another way in which we make new words is by 'adopting' words from foreign languages, like **barista** or **latte** (imported from Italian when coffee bars became really popular in the UK in the 1990s).

A lot of new words come from the names of brands or companies, for example we play music on an **iPod** and we **google** information. We also need more general words to describe new technology or new gadgets: **Wi-fi, ringtone**, and **smartphone** are some recent examples.

The invention of new words is not a new phenomenon. The word **brunch** (breakfast + lunch) first appeared in 1896, **newspaper** (news + paper) in 1667, and English speakers started to use the word **café** (from French) in the late 19th century. The difference now is how quickly new words and expressions enter the language and how quickly we start to use and understand them.



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The invention of new words

Las nuevas palabras pueden crearse de maneras muy diferentes por ejemplo la combinación de dos palabas.

El idioma Ingles es un idioma que se renueva constantemente

Otras palabras se toman de otros idiomas

Algunas palabras cambian de sustantivos a verbos:

La invención de palabras a partir de la unión es algo que sucede desde hace mucho tiempo

Algunas palabras Provienen de Marcas o de compañías o la tecnologia

2) Escribe con tus palabras que significa cada definición.

GOOGLE INFORMATION

GASTROPUB

EMOTICON

BARISTA

LATTE

TWEET

TEXT

IPOD

WI-FI

RINGTONE

SMARTPHONE

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KEYBOARD

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