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# Spaghetti

- ◆ {spuh-get-ee}
- ◆ A white, starchy pasta of Italian origin that is made in the form of long strings, boiled, and served with any of a variety of meat, tomato, or other sauces.
- ◆ from Italian spaghetti, plural of spaghetti "string, twine," diminutive of spago "cord"



# Emu

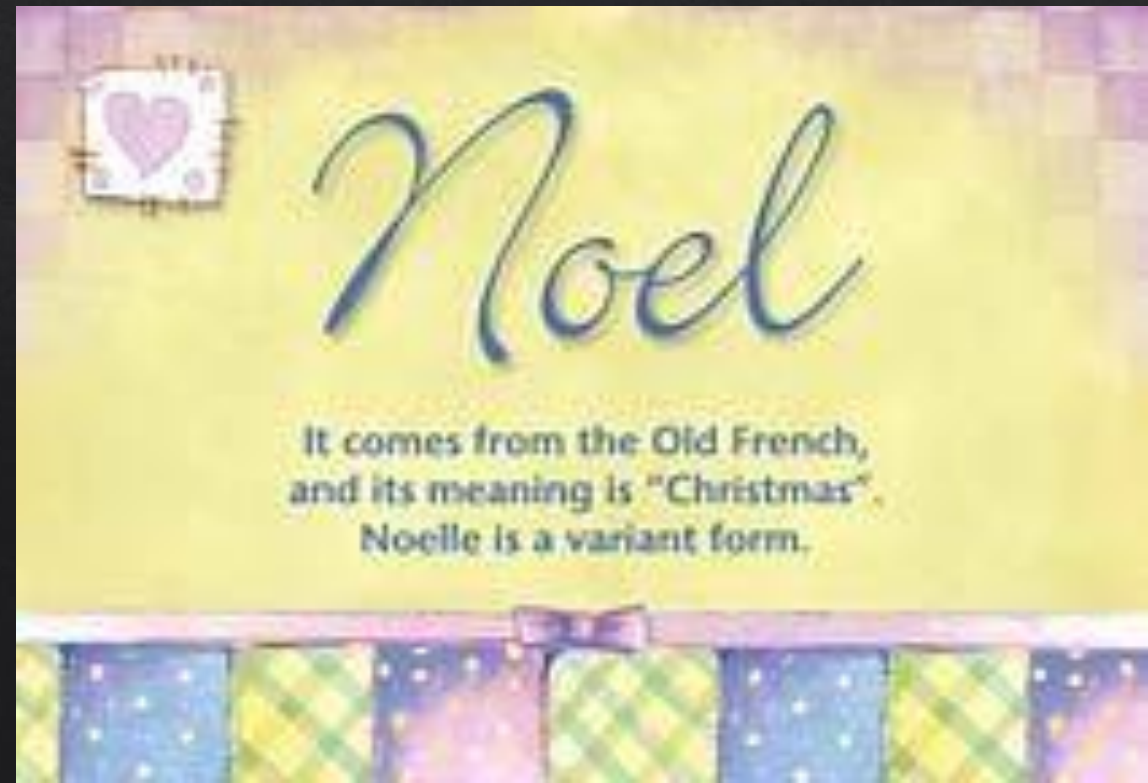
- ◇ {Ee-myoo}
- ◇ a large, flightless, ratite bird, of Australia, resembling the ostrich but smaller and having a feathered head and neck and rudimentary wings.
- ◇ Portuguese ema "crane, ostrich"





# Noel

- ◇ {Noh-el}
- ◇ Christmas
- ◇ late 14c., nowel "feast of Christmas," from Old French noel "the Christmas season," variant of nael, from Latin natalis (dies) "birth (day)," in Church Latin in reference to the birthday of Christ, from natus, past participle of nasci "be born" The modern word in English, with the sense "a Christmas carol" (1811) probably is a separate borrowing from French.



# Pillow

- ◇ {pil-oh}
- ◇ anything used to cushion the head; headrest
- ◇ a bag or case made of cloth that is filled with feathers, down, or other soft material, and is used to cushion the head during sleep or rest.
- ◇ Middle English pilwe, from Old English pyle "pillow," from West Germanic. Latin pulvinus "little cushion, small pillow," of uncertain origin. Modern spelling is from mid-15c. Pillow fight (n.) attested from 1837; slang pillow talk (n.) first recorded 1939.



# Resources

- ◇ <http://www.etymonline.com/>
- ◇ <http://dictionary.reference.com/>