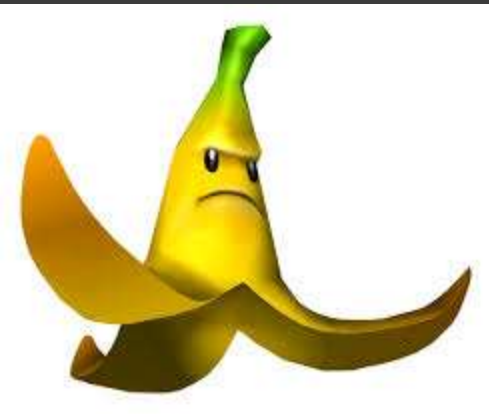


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Banana

- Pronunciation: (buh-nan-uh)
- Definition: A tropical plant of the genus *Musa*, certain species of which are cultivated for their nutritious fruit.
- Origin: 1590s borrowed by the Spanish or Portuguese from a West African word, possibly *Wolof banana*, the plant was introduced in 1516. In the 1950s banana was slang for comedian.



Muscle

- ⦿ Pronunciation: (muhs-uhl)
- ⦿ Definition: 1. A tissue composed of cells or fibers, the contraction of which produces movement in the body.
2. an organ, composed of muscle tissue, that contracts to produce a particular movement.
3. Muscular strength; brawn.

Muscle (Cont'd.)

- Origin: Late 14th century from Middle French *muscle* and directly from Latin *musculus* “ a muscle”, literally meaning little mouse. It was called this because the shape and movement (mainly biceps) resembled mice.



William

- Pronunciation: (wi(l)-liam)
- Definition: Will and helmet, also protection.
- Origin: It is a Germanic name *Willahelm*, from *willio* will+helma or helmet, after the Conquest, the most popular given name in England.

Schoonover

- Pronunciation: (Skoo-no-ver)
- Definition: It is a variation of the name Schoenhoven which means from the town of Schoenhoven or “beautiful garden”.
- Origin: It is a German name.



