

Etymology Project

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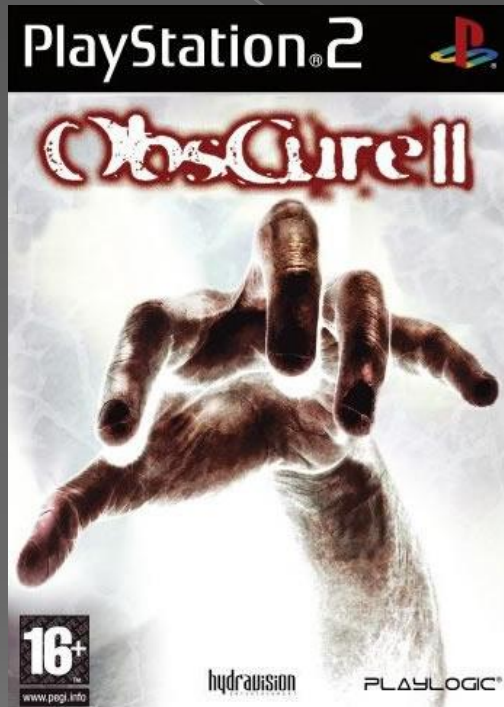
Elixir

- [ih-lik-ser]
- Function- Noun
- Definition- An alchemic preparation formerly believed to be capable of prolonging life.
- Origin- The word was originally from Arabic origin, then was adapted by Medieval Latin, and now we have the Middle English version today.



Obscure

- [uh b-skyoo r]
- Function- adjective, verb, or noun.
- Definition-
 1. not clear or plain; vague, or uncertain: basic.
 2. not clear; hard to perceive.
- Origin- It came from Latin, then was adapted by Old French, and then into Middle English.



Burgoo

- [bur-goo]
- Function- noun
- Definition-
 1. A thick oatmeal gruel, especially as eaten by sailors.
 2. In Kentucky and Tennessee-
 - a. a thick, highly seasoned soup or stew, usually made of chicken or small game and corn, tomatoes, and onions.
 - b. a picnic or other gathering at which burgoo is served.
- Origin- It's Arabic.



Zany

- [zey-nee]
- Function- adjective or noun
- Definition-

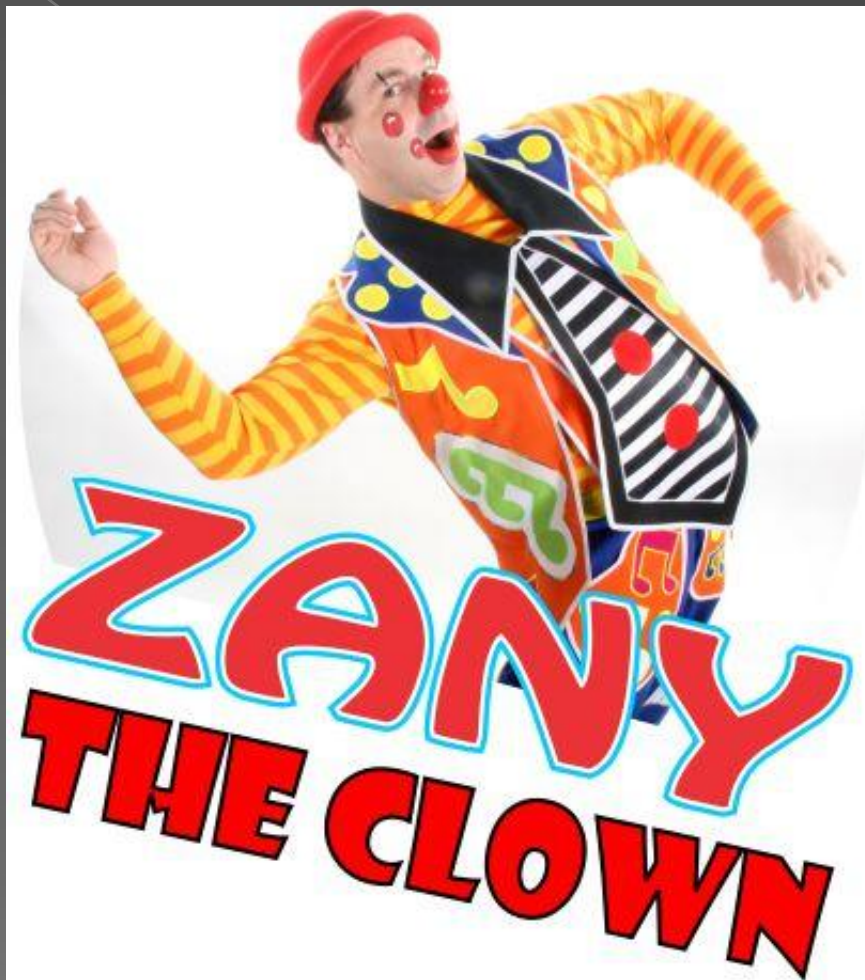
As an adjective

1. whimsically comical; clownish.

As a noun

2. one who plays the clown or fool in order to amuse others.
3. a comically wild or eccentric person.
4. a silly person; simpleton.

- Origin- It was originally Italian and then adapted to Middle French.



Savannah

- [sə-VAN-ə]
- It is from the English word for the large grassy plain. There's the movie Savannah Smiles.
- In the United States it is ranked 42nd and in Australia it is ranked 38th.



Nicole

- [ni-KOL]
- Nicole is the French feminine form of Nicolas.
- It is ranked 114th in the United States, 119th in England/Wales, 98th in Catalonia, 41st in Chile, 58th in Ireland, 25th in Italy, 83rd in Scotland, and 99th in Sweden.

Famous People

- Nicole Kidman
- Nicole Polizzi



Marie

- [mah-REE]
- Marie is the French and Czech form of Maria.
- It is ranked 576th in the United States, 8th in Austria, 5th in Belgium, 19th in the Czech Republic, 26th in Denmark, 40th in France, and 29th in Norway.

Famous People

- Marie Antoinette
- Marie Curie



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