Linguistics 70
Assignment 3

The Online Slang Dictionary

Visit the Online Slang Dictionary at http://onlineslangdictionary.com

Take some time to browse the dictionary using the links at the top of the page, especially the links marked Word list, Browse by letter, and Thesaurus. Note that this dictionary includes English slang from many nations, and as a result, a lot of its entries may be unfamiliar to you. This assignment focuses on words in this dictionary that are identified as slang terms from American English.

1. Find four terms that you have never heard of before – but make sure those terms are not identified as slang items from another country such as the UK, Australia, or Canada. Describe the usage of the term, and explain what term (slang or otherwise) you would use to express this meaning. (4 pts)

2. Find four American terms whose slang usage you do know about, but that you would never use. Describe what you know of these terms, and explain why you would not use them. Again, please make sure those terms are not identified as slang items from another country. (4 pts)

3. Find two entries for American terms that in your opinion are incorrect in some way (in that the slang usage does not match your familiarity with the entry) and describe the discrepancy or difference. (2 pts)

**Bonus**: provide and describe a word you know to have a slang application, but which is absent from this dictionary.