

British Slang:

1. **Cheers** – It has several meanings – it can be used as a toast for a thank you. I happen to use it as the signature to all my emails. It's just so civilized and sounds better than 'sincerely'
2. **Absobloodylootely** – n – To agree with someone highly in a rather enthusiastic fashion. Somewhat vulgar.
3. **Ace** – n – Excellent or wonderful.
4. **All to pot** – adj – Something that's gone completely wrong.
5. **Anti-clockwise** – adv – It means the same thing as 'counter clockwise.'
6. **The Bee's Knees** – adj – Something that is awesome and wonderful.
7. **Bespoke** – adj – Something that is custom made for you. i.e. bespoke cabinetry.
8. **Bob's your uncle** – in- terj -There you have it!
9. **Bog standard** – n – Normal or average.
10. **Bollocking** – n – To be punished severely or told off. "He had a good bollocking!"
11. **Bugger** – n – An exclamation of dissatisfaction ("Oh bugger!"), in a dire situation ("Well, we're bugged now"), acute surprise ("Well bugger me!"), dismissal ("bugger that").
12. **Brilliant!** – adj – When something is amazing or awesome.
13. **Car boot sale** – n – Swap meet or flea market where people sell items from the back of their car. Sounds so much more sophisticated than a flea market.
14. **Car park** – n – Parking lot or parking garage.
15. **Chavtastic** – n – Something that is in poor taste that a Chav would appreciate (a chav is derogatory term used towards the lower classes with a similar meaning to 'white trash' but applies to all races).
16. **Chock-a-block** – adj – Closely packed together i.e. a busy schedule or a large quantity of something
17. **Chuffed** – adj – To be quite pleased or proud about something.
18. **Chunder** – v – To vomit.
19. **CV** – n – Short for Curriculum Vitae but Americans would simply call it a Résumé.
20. **Damp Squib** – adj – An event which you think will be exciting but which actually turns out to be a disappointment.
21. **Fortnight** – n – Two weeks. Often used in the UK when talking about time.

22. **Jammy dodger** – n – A lucky person but also the delicious biscuit.
23. **Kerfuffle** – n – To make a big fuss about something. “It was a bit of a kerfuffle.”
24. **Knackered** – adj – Exhausted, tired, also ‘broken’
25. **Cream Krackered** – adj – To be really tired and exhausted
26. **Know your onions** – To be very knowledgeable on a particular subject.
27. **Lost the Plot** – n – Someone who’s gone mad.
28. **Quango** – Acronym – Quasi-autonomous non- governmental organization. An organization that’s usually started by the government or has governmental powers that’s not run by the government. It is usually a place to send troublesome politicians by giving them cushy jobs. Examples are the BBC and Visit Britain. See, TV show Yes, Minister.
29. **Scrummy** – adj – Some- thing that is delicious.
30. **See a man about a dog** – v phrs – Attend a secret deal or meeting or to go to the toilet.
31. **Skive** – v, n – To be lazy or take an unwarranted day off, pull a sickie.
32. **Taking the piss** – n – Mocking, taking advantage of someone.
33. **Tickety-boo** – adj – When something is going smoothly or proceeding quickly

From the Speakeasy (Non British)

1. **Absent Treatment:** dancing with a shy person, inexperienced dancer or awkward partner.
2. **Air Tight:** extremely desirable or attractive. (Note: A “sheik” is an attractive male.)
3. **Ameche:** a phone. (Also use for telephone: “blower.”)
4. **Baby Vamp:** a very popular young woman or an attractive girl. (Note: “Vamp” on its own refers to a flirt.)

5. **"Banana oil!":** "That's doubtful!"
6. **Bangtail** – a race horse.
7. **Barneymugging:** sexual intercourse.
8. **Beat Session:** a gossip session between two males, consisting of idle chatter.
9. **Bindle Punk:** a nomad or someone prone to wandering, like laborers, lumberjacks, construction workers or Jack Kerouac types.
10. **Blind Pig:** a speakeasy or other establishment where illicit alcohol was served.
11. **Blue Serge:** a real sweetheart.
12. **Bluenose:** someone who is prudish, puritanical or morally uptight.
13. **Bronx Cheer:** the sound of raspberries you make to indicate disapproval.
14. **Bug-Eyed Betty:** used to refer to an undesirable, ugly woman.
15. **Bunny:** someone who seems lost, but endearingly so.
16. **Burning with a Blue Flame:** drunk. (Also used for drunk: "blotto," "boiled as an owl," "half-shot," "half-screwed," "lit up like the commonwealth," "loaded to the muzzle," "over the bay," "pie-eyed," "polluted.")
17. **"Cash or Check?":** "Will you kiss me now or do we wait until later?"
Note: "Check" on its own means to take a raincheck on kissing or save the kiss for another time.

18. **Cast a Kitten:** to throw a temper tantrum. (Also use for “temper tantrum”: “ing bing.”)
19. **Cellar Smeller:** a guy who only comes around when there’s free booze.
20. **Coffin Varnish:** homemade liquor.
21. **Creep Joint:** a brothel.
22. **Dead Hooper:** a terrible dancer, someone with two left feet.
23. **Dead Soldier:** an empty container of alcohol. Example: After draining your beer, you might proclaim that soldier dead.
24. **Declaration of Independence:** a divorce. (Also use: “dropping the pilot.”)
25. **“Di Mi!”:** “My goodness!” or “Holy shit!”
26. **Eel’s Hips:** a phrase similar to “The Cat’s Meow” or “The Monkey’s Eyebrows.”
27. **Electric Cure:** electrocution or electric shock.
28. **Face Stretcher:** an older lady still trying to look young (and usually failing).
29. **Fakeloo Artist:** a con man.
30. **Fire Extinguisher:** the escort or chaperone for a social event. (Also use for “chaperone”: an “alarm clock.”)
31. **Flat Tire:** used to indicate that one’s date did not meet expectations. Example: “She seemed so interesting, but she was nothing but a flat tire!”

32. **Forty-Niner:** a male gold digger.
33. **Frolic Pad:** a dance club or nightclub (*Note:* If it's a really swanky place with rich patrons, that's called a "clip joint.")
34. **Ground Grippers:** shoes or sneakers. (*Also use:* "kicks," "stompers.")
35. **Hen Coop:** a beauty salon.
36. **Hit on All Sixes:** to perform at full-capacity or nail it one-hundred percent.
37. **Hope Chest:** your trusty pack of cigarettes.
38. **Indian Hop:** a code name for reefer.
39. **Insured:** to be engaged to marry.
40. **"Ish Kabibble!":** "Who cares?", "No worries!"
41. **Jack:** another name for money. (*Other words for money:* "rubes," "kale," "mazuma.")
42. **Johnson Brother:** a criminal.
43. **Kick the Gong Around:** to smoke opium.
44. **Knee-Duster:** a skirt.
45. **Lalapazaza:** a good sport.
46. **Lens Louise:** the person who steamrolls the conversation.
47. **Meat Wagon:** an ambulance.

48. **Middle Aisle:** to get married. *Example:* "I'm going down the middle aisle."

49. **Mustard Plaster:** someone who isn't wanted but won't leave.

50. **"Nerts!":** "That's awesome!"

51. **Ofay:** term used by black folks to refer to white people.

52. **Off-Time Jive:** To be inappropriate, impolite; to have bad manners.

53. **Quiff:** a sexually active female.

54. **Rock of Ages:** a middle-aged woman, usually over 30.

55. **Screaming Meemies:** the shakes.

56. **Streeted:** to be tossed out of a party.

57. **Ten Cent Box:** a cab. (*Note:* a "dim box jaunt" means a ride in a taxi.)

58. **Togged to the Bricks:** dressed to the nines.

59. **Torpedo:** a thug or hitman.