

OXYMORON

A figure of speech that combines two normally contradictory words

Accurate Horoscope	Dry wine	Intense apathy	Happiness
Act Naturally	Dynamic equilibrium	Job security	Blue Green
Adult Children	Eloquent silence	Jumbo shrimp	Big Baby
Advanced BASIC	European Community	Least favorite	Birthday Suit
African American	Evaporated milk	Light heavyweight	Bitter Sweet
Agree to Disagree	Even odds	Liquid gas	Boneless Ribs
Airline Food	Exact estimate	Little giant	Books on Tape
Almost Done	Extensive briefing	Live recording	Bridegroom
Act naturally	Extinct life	Living dead	Bright Night
Advanced BASIC	Eyes Wide Shut	Loosely packed	Buffalo Wings
Almost exactly	Fairly dark	Loose tights	Bulldog
Alone together	Famous Belgians	Almost Exactly	Business Ethics
American English	Feminine logic	Almost Ready	Butt Head
Authentic replica	Forgotten memories	Alone Together	Cardinal Sin
Awfully good	Found missing	American Indian	Casual Dress
Bad luck	Free love	Amicable Divorce	Catfish
Baked Alaska	Freezer burn	Anarchy Rules!	Cautiously Optimistic
Bittersweet	Fresh-frozen	Anxious Patient	Charm Offensive
Black light	Friendly fire	Appearance Hearing	Chocolate 'Nilla
Blank expression	Front end	(court appearance)	Wafers
Business ethics	Fun run	Approximately Equal	Christian Militia
Butthead	Fuzzy logic	Artificial Intelligence	Christian Scientist
California expressway	Genuine imitation	Assistant Supervisor	Civil Disobedience
Cardinal sin	Good grief	Audience	Civil Servant
Christian Scientist	Government	Participation	Civil War
Civil war	organization	Authentic	Classic Rock
Classic novel	Government service	Reproduction	Clean Litter
Classically modern	Great Britain	Awfully Good	Clearly
Clearly confused	Great Depression	Awfully Nice	Misunderstood
Cold comfort	Guest host	Baby Grand	Clever Fool
Communist leader	Hell's Angels	Bad Health	Click the start button
Conspicuous absence	Highly	Bad Luck	to shut down
Constant change	underestimated	Bad Sex	Close Distance
Cowardly lion	Holy war	Bad Sport	Cold Fever, Cold
Criminal justice	Homeless shelter	Ball Club	Sweat
Deafening silence	Hopelessly optimistic	Benign Tumor	Comedic Tragedy
Death benefits	Idiot savant	Black Gold (slang for	Commercial Art
Definite maybe	Ill health	crude oil)	Common Sense
Deliberate	Include me out	Black Light	Compassionate
thoughtlessness	Industrial park	Black Russian	Conservative
Down escalator	Instant classic	Blue Bird of	Computer Jock

OXYMORON

A figure of speech that combines two normally contradictory words

Concession Stand	Drug War	Garage Apartment	Higher Ground
Congressional Ethics	Dry Gin	Gentleman Bandit	Highway Underpass
Conscious Sedation (hospital term)	Dry Ice	Gentleman's Club	Holistic Healing
Consensual Rape	Dry Lake	Gentle Turbulence	Hollow Point
Conservative Stock (as in the Stock Market)	Dry Martini	Girly Man	Holy Crap
Conservative Think Tank	Dull Knife	Global Village	Holy War
Constant Change,	Economic Science	Good Cigar	Homeopathic Medicine
Constant Variable	Educational TV	Good Grief	Honest Crook
Constitutional	Elementary Calculus	Good Loser	Hopelessly Optimistic
Amendment to Ban	Elevated Subway	Good Riddance	Horse Fly
Flag Burning	Elevator Shoes	Good Shit	Hot Chili
Conventional Wisdom	Evaporated Milk	Gourmet Pizza	Hot Ice
Couch Potato	Even Odds	Government	Hot Water Heater
Crash Landing	Exact Estimate	Organization	House Boat
Creation Science	Executive Assistant	Government	House Plant
Criminal Justice	Express Bus	Intelligence	Humane Slaughter
Criminal Mastermind	Extended Limits	Government Worker	Humble Opinion
Crisis Management	Extinct Life	Graduate Student	Ice Water, Iced Coffee
Critical Acclaim	Extra Time	Graphic Language	Idiot Savant
Cruel to be Kind	Extra Money	Great Depression	Incredibly Convincing
Cupboard	Extra Virgin	Greater Cleveland	Independent Financial Advisor
Current History	Factory Air	Greater Evil	Industrial Park
Dark Star	Family Vacation	Group of Individuals	Inexpensive Car
Date Rape	Fatally Injured	Grow Down	Inside Out
Deafening Silence	Female Sperm Whale	Growing Smaller	Instant Classic
Death Benefits	First Annual	Guest Host	Internet Security
Definite Maybe	Foreign National	Gun Safe	Invisible Ink
Detailed Summary	Forward Lateral	Half Full	Irate Patient
Devout Atheist	Found Missing	Hamburger Steak	Jet Lag
Diet Ice Cream	Free Gift	Happily Married	Jews for Jesus
Disinformation	Freezer Burn	Hard Curve	Job Security
Divided Loyalty	Fresh Cheese	Hard Liquor	Jumbo Shrimp
Dodge Ram	Fresh Frozen	Hard Pillow	Junk Food
Doing Nothing	Fresh Smelt	Hard Roll	Lamp Shade
Domestic Violence	Friendly Argument	Hard Water	Larger Half
Double Solitaire	Friendly Fire	Head Butt	Last Initial
Down Escalator	Front End	Healthy Tan	Lean Pork
Drink Responsibly	Fun Run	Heavy Gas	Least Favorite
	Functional Illiterate	Hell's Angels	Legal Brief
	Fuzzy Logic	High Minimum Wage	
	Gain Reduction	High-Speed Computer	

OXYMORON

A figure of speech that combines two normally contradictory words

Legally Drunk	Natural Makeup	Plastic Wood Blocks	Safety Hazard
Legitimate Ruler	Near Miss	Play Responsibly	Same Difference
Liberal Bias	Necessary Evil	Political Science	Sanitary Landfill
Liberal Republican	Negative Growth	Postal Service	Sanitary Napkin
Light Heavyweight	New Classic	Posthumous	Science Fiction
Light-Skinned Black	New Old Stock	Conception	Scientific Consensus
Limited Edition Print	New Tradition	Preemptive Self-	Second Best
Limited Lifetime	Night Light	Defense	See-Saw
Guarantee	Non-Dairy Creamer	Preliminary Final	Self-help Group
Liquid Crystal	Non-Denominational	Press Release	Self-rescue
Liquid Gas	Church	Pretty Ugly	Self-taught
Little Giant	Non-Stop Flight	Primitive Technology	Serious Clown
Live Recording	"Now, then"	Private Community	Short Distance
Living Dead, Living	Old Boy	Progressive	Signing Off On
Will	Old News	Conservative	something
Long Shorts	One-man band	Public Opinion	Silent Alarm
Loud Whisper	Only Choice	Pure Evil	Silent Scream
"Love to Hate"	Open Marriage	Quicksand	Single Diversity
Low Altitude	Open Secret	Random Logic	Singular Relationship
Man Child	Organized Mess	Rap Artist	Sit Up
Mandatory Elective	Original Copy	Rap Music, Military	Slumber Party
Mandatory Option	Oxymoron	Music	Small Crowd
Marijuana Initiative	(oxy=sharp,	Rarely Done	Small World
Medium Rare	moron=dull)	Reagan Democrat	Social Outcast
Melted Ice	Paid Volunteer	Reagan's Memoirs	Social Science
Mercy Killing	Partial Victory	Reality Television	Soft Rock
Metal Wood	Partially Complete	Recent History	Solo Concert
Microsoft Works	Passive Aggressive	Red Licorice	Sour Cream
Mild Abrasive	Passive Preamp	Relaxation Exercise	Speed Limit
Military Intelligence	Peace Force, Peace	Religious Education	Spendthrift
Military Justice	Offensive,	Religious Right	Stand Down
Minor Disaster	Peacemaker Missile	Religious Tolerance	Stock Modified
Miracle Drug	Perfect Idiot	Resident Alien	Stop Action
Mobile Station	Perfectly Awful	Restless Sleep	Straight Hooks
Modern Classic	Permanent	Retired Worker	String Cheese
Modern History	Pet Fish	Rolling Stop	Stripper's Dressing
Mournful Optimism	Pianoforte	Rogue Cop	Room
Moving Target	Plastic Cork	Rural Metro	Structured C Program
Much Less	Plastic Drop Cloth	Rush Hour	Student Teacher
Music Business	Plastic Glasses, Plastic	RV Resort	Suicide Victim
Mutual Differences	Silverware	Safe Sex	Sure Bet

OXYMORON

A figure of speech that combines two normally contradictory words

Sweet and Sour	Tight Slacks	Uninvited Guest	Virtually Identical
Sweet Sorrow	Titanium woods	United Independent	War Games
Synthetic natural gas	Toll Free	United Nations	White Chocolate
Tabled Motion	Tough Love	Unknown Identity	White Lie
Talk Show	Toxic Assets	Upper Low	Wicked Good
Tax Free	Traffic Flow	Upside Down	Wireless Cable
Tax Relief	Tragic Comedy	Urban Cowboy	Work Party
Tax Return	Truck Farm	Useful Oxymoron	Working Vacation
Tentative Decision	Turned Up Missing	Vacation Bible School	Young Adult
Terribly Nice	Unacceptable	Vibrating Ringtone	
Terribly Pleased	Solution	Victimless Crime	
Terrific Headache	Unbiased Opinion	Virtual Reality	

acute dullness · advanced BASIC · airline food · almost exactly · alone together · Amtrak schedule · bittersweet · boring court jester · briefing · British fashion · business ethics · butthead · cafeteria food · calm wind · cardinal sin · casual sex · cheerleading scholarship · childproof · Christian Scientists · civil engineer · clean coal · coal mine safety · computer jock · computer security · clearly ambiguous · clearly confused · clearly misunderstood · comfortably dressed · conservative liberal · conciliation court · constant variable · constructive attitude · corporate conscience · cowardly lion · dangerously safe · deafening silence · definite maybe · deliberately thoughtless · democratic machine · designer jeans · diet ice cream · divorce court · domestic bliss · double solitaire · educational television · effective compassion · essential service · even odds · exact estimate · extensive briefing · extinct life · family vacation · fan fatale · federal budget · fish farm · flexible ethics · found missing · free love · freezer burn · french deodorant · fresh-frozen · friendly fire · friendly takeover · funky white guy · genuine imitation · genuine imitation naughahide · good grief · good shit · government organization · guest host · healthy chocolate · hells angels · holy war · half naked · home office · humanitarian invasion · idiot savant · ill health · industrial park · instant classic · intense apathy · jumbo shrimp · justice rehnquist · larger half · least favorite · legally drunk · light rock · linear curve · liquid gas · lite beer · little giants · living dead · long sleeved t-shirt · loud librarian · managed competition · marital bliss · Microsoft Works · mild interest · mild mannered reporter · military intelligence · minor crisis · minor miracle · misanthropic humanitarian · modern history · moral majority · natural blonde · new classic · New York culture · non-alcoholic beer · non-alcoholic wine · non-dairy creamer · non-working mother · normal deviation · obscene art · old news · only choice · on-time airplane · on-time musical production · on-time train · open secret · original copies · original reprint · oxymoron · paid volunteer · passive aggression · peace offensive · peacekeeper missile · plastic glasses · plastic silverware · player coach · player piano · polite salesman · political science · post feminist · postal service · pretty ugly · private citizen · qualified success · randomly organized · rap music · Reagan Democrat · real potential · religious tolerance · republican party · resident alien · rock opera · rolling stop · rush hour · sad clown · safe sex · sanitary landfill · sanitary sewer · same difference · scheduled spontaneity · scientific belief · second best · sensitive guy · serious musician · seriously funny · silent scream · simply superb · small crowd · socialist market economy · soft rock · software documentation · standard deviation · straight angle · student athlete · study outside · successful suicide · sweet sorrow · sweet tart · synthetic natural gas · Tame cat · taped live · temporary tax increase · terribly enjoyable · terribly pleased · tight slacks · tragic comedy · train schedule · trial separation · turbo diesel ·

OXYMORON

A figure of speech that combines two normally contradictory words

twelve-ounce pound cake · unbiased opinion · uncrowned king · unhappily married · united nations · unsellable stock · unsung hero · vaguely aware · virtual reality · war games · wholesome · working vacation

Bittersweet

[Clean coal](#)

Controlled chaos

Deafening silence

Forward retreat

[Icy Hot](#)

Living dead (i.e. the [undead](#))

Make haste slowly

Managed competition

Microsoft Works

Mild abrasive

Mild enthusiasm

Military intelligence

Minor crisis

Modern history

Natural additives

Noble savage

Non-alcoholic beer

Non-working mother

Normal deviation

Nothing much

Numb feeling

Oddly appropriate

Old news

Only choice

Open secret

Original copy

Paid volunteer

Paperless office

Passive aggression

Peace force

Peace offensive

Peacekeeper missile

Plastic wood

Positively cynical

Press release

OXYMORON

A figure of speech that combines two normally contradictory words

Pretty ugly
Pronounced silence

Random order
Rap music
Real potential
Recorded live
Resident alien
Rock opera
Rolling stop

Safe sex
Safety hazard
Same difference
Second best
Serious fun
Short distance
Silent scream
Simply confusing
Skinny broad
Socialist market economy
Soft rock
Spendthrift
Standard deviation
Stand down
Still life
Still moving
Strangely familiar
Sure bet
Sweet sorrow

Taped live
Terribly pleased
Tight slacks
True Lies
True story

Unacceptable solution
Unbiased opinion
Uncrowned king
United Nations

OXYMORON

A figure of speech that combines two normally contradictory words

Unsung hero

Vaguely aware

Virtual Reality

Voluntary Compliance

War games

Wholesome

Working vacation

Open secret

Organized mess

Plastic glass

Same difference

Sweet sorrow

Thieves' Honour

Uniquely Similar