

BALDERDASH TO TOMMYROT: “GRAN SLANG” DICTIONARY FOR YOUNG PEOPLE EXTENDED

To mark this year’s National Grandparents Day, Home & Capital Advisers has extended the “Gran Slang” dictionary, designed to help younger people understand and communicate with their grandparents.

Nigel Hare-Scott comments: *“The public response to the ‘Gran Slang’ dictionary has been phenomenal - we’ve been inundated with suggestions. So much so, we’ve decided to produce an extended version of the dictionary, containing more of the terms that may perplex younger people. It’s our aim to help bridge the generational gap between young people and their grandparents.”*

He adds: *“From ‘balderdash’ to ‘tommyrot’, it’s remarkable how many of the terms in the extended dictionary mean ‘nonsense.’ Either there were more harebrained ideas floating around in days gone by – or people were more dismissive!”*

GRAN SLANG ADDITIONS: DICTIONARY FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

Balderdash: *noun* stupid or illogical talk; senseless rubbish

Bosh: *noun* empty or meaningless opinions; nonsense

Bunkum: *noun* nonsense

Codswallop: *noun* nonsense

Cripes: *exclam.* a mild exclamation expressing surprise, wonder or puzzlement

Doodlebug: *noun* a robot bomb invented by the Germans in World War II

Fiddle-faddle: *noun* a trivial matter

Flapper: *noun* (in the 1920s) a young woman flaunting her unconventional behaviour

Herbert: *adj.* a foolish person

Kibosh: *noun* to put a stop to

Nincompoop: *noun* a stupid person; fool

Numbskull: *noun* a stupid person

Oftentimes: *adv.* often

Piffle: *noun* nonsense

Tickety boo: *adj.* fine, OK

Tiffin: *noun* a light meal, esp. at midday

Tommyrot: *noun* utter nonsense

Twaddle: *noun* silly, trivial or pretentious talk or writing

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