

STINKY PINKIES: VARIATIONS

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The standard stinky pinky is a two-word rhyming phrase such as FLOWER POWER or HAIRY LARRY. Common variations are achieved by inserting words such as THE or 'N' (as in SLICE IT 'n' ICE IT, to skin and freeze an animal, or CATCH the SCRATCH, to contract a case of poison ivy). *Buzzwords* (Crown Publishers, 1993) has a variety of unusual variations; a type-collection is given below.

CASH or CRASH (stockbroker) buyout
GRAB a CAB (trucker) hijack a truck
TRIPPED on SCRIPT (pharmacist) fooled by bogus prescription
OOZE on a CRUISE (plastic surgeon) spreading infection
CROAK on the SMOKE (coroner) die of lung cancer
GRIPS on his HIPS (health club director) midriff bulge
TONS of BUNS (beauty pageant director) large buttocks
BITCH of a TWITCH (health club director) severe muscle spasm
SOURCE of the HORSE (drug counselor) synthetic heroin laboratory
CLAWS in GAUZE (pharmacist) hand bandage
ROCKS in a BOX (high-school teacher) geology class
STUCK in the MUCK (cruise ship director) run aground
MAUSER in his TROUSER (policeman) concealed weapon
CELLS with BELLS (prison guard) maximum security wing
SLEEP with the SHEEP (trucker) budget motel
DIDDLE with her FIDDLE (day care operator) sexually molest a young girl
FEMUR from a LEMUR (plastic surgeon) bone graft from an animal
WAIT at the GATE (hunter) setout a lure
RIPPLES for NIPPLES (beauty pageant director) flat-chested contestant
LONG for the DONG (psychiatrist) penis envy
BITCH to STITCH (plastic surgeon) hard to suture
HIP to the WHIP (psychiatrist) sadist
DONG not LONG (psychiatrist) impotence
DORK named BORK (telephone operator) wrong number
SPINE out of LINE (nurse) degenerative disk disease
TED wasn't DEAD (private investigator) phony death claim
BLISTER his SISTER (day care operator) fight between siblings
ZORRO says "BORROW" (stockbroker) recommend margin purchase
BRING IT, don't FLING IT (summer camp counselor) kitchen duty
SCABIES had BABIES (dermatologist) rash is spreading
THINKING it's SHRINKING (ecologist) Brazilian rain forest
VAPORIZE those GUYS (nuclear power plant operator) core meltdown