

I HEAR AMERICA TALKING: NOW SLANG

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Now that it's baseball season, I think I'll bat out a slang quiz for you to bat around. I hope these vivid new American slang terms won't drive you batty. OK, you're at bat - if you bat one thousand, you are listening to America talking a very now language, and you get around among college students, druggies, truckers, cons, astronauts, and the like.

1. yantsy
2. skygodlin
3. Mount Saint Elsewhere
4. portable parking lot
5. dink
6. golden handcuffs
7. barber chair
8. needle candy
9. heat merchant
10. talk to the big white phone
11. jarming
12. clueless
13. lifeboat
14. finger wringer
15. blown-out
16. cake cutting
17. mung
18. poggie
19. PLU
20. get go
21. broadology
22. riff
23. duck squeezer
24. kick at the cat
25. bitch kitty
26. vic
27. five it
28. buddhahead
29. torqued
30. buppie

Answers are given in Answers and Solutions at the end of this issue.