

# NUMBERS FUNCTIONING AS NOUNS

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In "Word Watch," Anne H. Soukhanov of The American Heritage Dictionary cited some examples of "a class of English words, usually informal or slang, that are wholly or partly numerals," but ignorance or reticence kept her list short. Here are more for **Word Ways** readers to come up with. Answers can be found in Answers and Solutions at the end of the issue.

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| 1. end of an article            | 26. high society               |
| 2. a convenience store          | 27. mark of the Beast          |
| 3. available all the time       | 28. message received           |
| 4. perfect vision               | 29. emergency number           |
| 5. kind of vehicle              | 30. original cologne           |
| 6. piece of wood                | 31. large glass of milk        |
| 7. track-and-field event        | 32. old shellac record         |
| 8. longer track-and-field event | 33. special order at a diner   |
| 9. tax form                     | 34. non-paying diner customer  |
| 10. mutual oral sex             | 35. obese, short person        |
| 11. evenly divided              | 36. big truck                  |
| 12. to eject or bar from a bar  | 37. corpse                     |
| 13. of perfect beauty           | 38. very easy                  |
| 14. Manhattanite                | 39. pop record with a big hole |
| 15. variety store               | 40. old Olds                   |
| 16. actor's glossy (photograph) | 41. standard telegram closing  |
| 17. brief recess                | 42. weekend worker's time off  |
| 18. midnight                    | 43. cup of java                |
| 19. French cocktail             | 44. small bore                 |
| 20. card game                   | 45. Friday (black slang)       |
| 21. age of Jack Benny           | 46. brand of jeans             |
| 22. when life begins            | 47. introductory course        |
| 23. perfect score               | 48. old melodrama              |
| 24. Indianapolis race           | 49. watch out!                 |
| 25. perfect batting             | 50. large commercial aircraft  |