DEFINITIVE ANAGRAMS: A-C

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Word Ways Monograph #5, "up/dn", includes nearly nine hundred <u>definitive anagrams</u>, sampled by the editor in "The Oz Contradictionary" I and III (Feb.& Aug.'01). These transposals, single or poly, approximate synonyms or definitions of the target word or phrase. Perhaps by trope, contrast, slang or dialect but not by a mere property or example unless stereotypic or multiple. However, such affinitives may be added to definitives for amplification, comment or humour. Definitions needn't be of the most common meaning, nor a total definition. I'd accept fuel as a definition of coal but not vice versa. The trans-ladder, **coal** = 'loaf leaf' **fuel** [plant matter pressed into 'loaves' of fuel] works better backwards but is definitive only in forward. The best definitives are vice-versas or <u>equivalences</u> where the target also defines the anagram. A majority of those here and in up/dn are equivalences. All were derived manually.

My goal is to tackle every pocket dictionary word and its inflections, as now done for A-C. More randomly I include phrases, less common words and equivalent sentences. This report gives the best new definitives for A-C, other letters to follow. "New" means presumed original but not in up/dn. The full dictionary will also include, with attributions, any other anagrams which meet my "definitive" criterion-eg, from Word Ways, the Internet or Bergerson's *Palindromes and Anagrams*. I call on readers to contribute to this "Anagramome Project"!

Selection criteria for "best" include aptness, clarity, wit, unrelated roots, equivalence, and relative elegance (minimal homophonic misspellings, gimmicks, nonces, forced meanings, unnecessary and missing words, proper names, abbreviations, zips, poor grammar, parts of speech or inflection inconsistencies). Few meet every criterion and I fail each, many often. But all are definitive, by definition. (!) Over a quarter of the anagrams below are well-mixed transposals, retaining no more than one bigram and no trigrams from their targets. Nearly half retain no more than two bigrams. But mix is not a criterion here. I'm more impressed by definitive charades, palindromes, metatheses (spoonerism type swaps), single moves and kangaroo words or phrases [NOTED].

Polyanagrams and zips are defined in '01-24 and 192. Zips are 'zippered' by a | (eg, done = End o|ne do). Targets are **bold** font, anagrams fine. Verbs, for ID, are punctuated as if sentences.

I. DEFINITIVES

Abandon. A and no B (AB scene absence)

abiding fear Being afraid.

Abreact. Act, bare.

absolutely Abut solely. [AB SOL UT ELY]

Absolve. "Lave SOB."

(Ablution so absolution.) [AB SO LUTION]

abstainer Is "bar-neat sin abater".

accident "dice" cant

accommodation act o' common aid

Accomplished. 1. I closed. 2. champ

accountant a/c count ant, accurate a/c curate

accurate a care cut

achiever Vie, reach.

acoustic bands "basic" sound act

acupuncture a 'cut' [pun] cure [ACU [PUN] C URE]

addiction I'd do--I can't "No" act I did.

adepts Step-ad apteds sped at past de eds, pat.

admonition I dam notion and motion. I aim "No." I "Don't!"

adolescents co-teens; lad's, lass' co-ed net

Adore. ado re Adores. Soared, so dear.

adornings Don "in" rags so grand in.

Adulate. Laud, "eat."

affected Deft face fed facet.

affinity if any fit

aforesaid idea so far

after the midnight hour Father Time, do high turn, hit frame height, tour dn.

agony Gay? NO!! [So are all heteros in agony?]

agreement Range, meet.

airfields Aid flier's aircraft if air traffic.
aircraft role carrier aloft

Allocates. Allot case: I allotted, tallied to tal, dole it.

alongside Does align, dogs a line.

amalgam, the Am Hg-metal 'a la the magma'.

"amalgamating" 1. Am a gal mating.
2. Am mating a gal. 3. Am alga mating!

ambidextrously mix at L/R body use

amnesia Is a name mine? (as, A|m I a sane?)

amorphousness muss, or no shape

amphitheatre a hear-them pit

ancestors son's trace (Son traces ancestral vine, ancient ravels.)

angle of incline c. line of leaning

anniversary "N ravin' years!"

anonymousness "No nosy names us."

another "a" nor "the", or a "then"

antidote It atoned a "NOT!" diet, not die at.

antiquated quaint date

antisepsis Sanitises, plips, is as net.

antithesis "The Is's Ain't!" (atheist sin)

anyhow a no-why

Appassionata "Piano at a pass|ion sap"
[A sap? A t|ap!!] is a P. Sonata.
[Beethoven's 23rd. Sap, a 'tap-out' or exhaustion, also puns the title which looks like it means dispassionate.]

appetiser pip, teaser, "pit" 'peaser Is eat-prep 'sip eat' pre repast, pie.

Apportions. I spoon part s o' pot in par ration pops.

appreciation A pro: "A nice tip appreciated.

Pad a receipt, aid cater pep!"

[Aid cater pep means tip "to insure promptness".]

apprehensive Nerves; a 'hi pep' happens re vie.

approaching Cop a nigh rap.

arbiters Barriste r-baiters bare stir, arbitrate at bar rite.

archaeologists Goal: races' histories. Host ca. a log 'til reach ago's "so".

archipelagos isle/crag hop; a soil/gap reach archipelago's unit a chain-group islet

artefacts a craft set

artesian a rest-in, a rain seat arisen at a strain E [Strain energy (E) means underground pressure.]

aslumber sub-realm, "as lumber" deep slumber Sleep 'dumber'.

assaultings 1. Assail. 2. Stung.

astride Sat "ride"--as t' ride.

astrology Log rays to log a story.

astuteness "taut" senses [alert and "taught"]

asunder a rend us

asymmetries Stymie 'samer' at messy mire.

at once one act

Attain. "At, ta. In."

audio sense I "see" a sound.

auricles I curl as e ars I clue.
"the" auricles Hearts I clue.

aurora or 'aura' [AUR OR A]

austere Rue "Eat! Sate!" ruse, rate use.
austereness See a stern us. (See us astern!)

autism At "I = sum."

autopsy Spy out a past you.

autosuggestion I's gauge, not out's

avidly "A!" (v. idly) [definition by contrast]

awakened a dawn "Eek!"

badinage Gab dean, I.

ballot paper Be a poll part.

banisters bars set in stairs (Be n|ets-in-bars.)
[safety nets]

barriers re briars, riser bar

Bartered. Be "trader".

beast of burden Bend, bear us oft.

beatnik Ken-bait ink beat intellectuals cull tenets, ail till neat clues cue latent ills.

bedside manner 'bear' need in MDs

"I beg to differ." Offer big edit.

benevolent Love 'n' be net.

beside Bide se es bide.

billiards I rid balls.

black suit A clubs kit?
Suit's deep black. Luck--it be spades!

bloodshed Bods holed.

Boasted. "best!" ado

"Bound to." No doubt.

"bothered" Hot breed be red hot to bed her bod there.

branded ® banded

brassiere's art breasts raiser

bread and water Wet, bare, rad and drab draw eaten.

bridle 'Rib' led.

bum steer Be set rum. (Must beer?)

burping up-bring [BURPING]

Caesarean section Scar case neonate, I.

Californian deluge theories "Huge rise, dire fall into ocean."

calibrater sizer, scalizer, arbiter

callous dick lack-soul CID

Came. acme [Compare Climaxes in gp. II.]

canister Care tin -- 's ants icer. (Tier cans?)

Capture. Crate up.

Carrry a grudge. 'Guard' rage, cry.

Cast loose. 'Lose' coast so close at. castaway Was at cay as yaw act.

casualty 1. a cut 2. Slay.

Cauterise. ie, sear-cut.

certainties Tacit in seer.

character care chart

Characterizes. Chart size, race, hair, crazes, etc.

charades a 'crashed'

[Charades "crash" (align letters) in every position.]

Charge us. 1. Rush cage. (Such rage!)
2. Urge cash. (eg., as Church argues)

charitable care lib hat

chisellers Sell "riches".

cholesterol Cell ore, host shell to core. Role: clothes o'er host cell, close hole troths o'er cell. [major raw material of cell membranes and their pores]

circular I curl arc.

citadels castle ID

clearances Are cancels, cancellations, clean slot in a/c. Clinched. Led cinch. [c INCH ED]

clustering true clings

coalescence co-lace scene

cock and bull story lusty candor-block

cockles of the heart that feel shock core [Shock is an assault on our deepest feelings or beliefs.]

cocktail parties Co-sip ice, talk Art.

codification Do if I coin Act.

cogent Con, "get". [COGENT]

Cohabit. I co-bath, cohabited, hit a co-bed.

collaboration labor location orb allocation

Collapse. Soap-cell cells a-po|p, close, al|l co-lapse. [bubbles]

collateral "real" to call
[Real assets which may be "called" on default.]

Combined. Come, bind. [COM BIN E D]

"come hither" "I'm hot cheer. Hit me, Hero."
(Come hitcher!) [Come pare "bothered" above.]

company 1. yon camp

2. Copy man, cop many. [COMPANY, COMPANY]

companionable on becomin' a pal

[1. army; stray hiker 2. Clone yourself some company!]

comparables lab: "same crop"

compassion 'Cosmos pain'
compassionately Least company I so console,
as am pity.

Complicates. Simple co-act, compile acts.

Complied. I cop, meld.

Composes. Comes Ops., poems, cos moscopes, Om-scopes.

(Composition as options mosaic.)

composite Items co-op, compose it. [COMPOS IT]

concatenated a connected-at-ea.-end contact

Concentrates. Set concern at contents. Care!

Conceptualise. Place us noetic.

conclusive counts Convict us on clues.

Condense. cone's end

confederations One-coat friends--and it's one force.

confession Of "once" sins.

confidentially Confident I ally on clan fidelity.

confrontation Facin' "Not on!" rot.

On faction-torn?

confusions Info 'cons' us.

Considered. Decider's on.

Considers. So discern.

"considerable" broad license

Conspire. Co-piners con pries, con prise. conspiracy Cons' piracy cons piracy.

["Conspiracy theories? Too much machination!"]

constituents situ contents [CON T ENTS]

Construe. Cons true.

consummate most acumen

consummate liar I alter, 'summa con'.

consummation Con a summit on mount so

manic.

Contemplate. Con at temple. [CON TEMPL AT E]

[Temple means the brain and a place to meditate.]

contemporaries "I co-roam present."

Continued. I cut no end.

Contrives. covert sin strive con

contusion No cut? No, is in, cons out. [Purely internal but can be observed externally.]

convertible Be nil cover 't|il bent cover be nil covert. [car]

correlations Corral ties on.

cortisol Cool stir. [anti-inflammatory hormone]

cough medicine Chug, I'm codeine.

Counterfeiting. Get unfit coiner.

countless dears untold caresses

countryside rustic yen do

cowering "Ow!" cringe

creatings recasting

crescendo, the Seen chord (etc) crest

--'n' echoed to screech end.

Crick. c = Rick.

Croak. Cark. (O, KO arc!)

Crossing. scorings [goal line, or scratch-marking]

cross-referential near-itself scorer

crow's-nest, a scans tower set as crown

crude c. = rude

cube art True, A = B = C. [Not cubism!]

cudgel bonk/dong club [ke|ck!]; bludgeon

Culminate. Until acme.

curled vine curved line

Customise. Costume is cut so is "me".

cylinders dry lines, clircly ends [dry = bare]

cyst c = sty

II. ANTIGRAMS

Abet. 1. Bate. 2. Beat.

affection Foe, in fact.

ailments Isn't lame.

allegorical real, logical

amounts not a sum

anew Wane. (anew, wane, anew, wane...)
["half" synonyms, two halves of a wave function]

Angered. End rage.

anterior into rear

arousing a souring

assignment sin's magnet

beard bared (Inch beard chin bared.)

bashfully Blush? Flay! Fash, bully, bash fully! [Be violently aggressive. Or "Flay blush, bash fully" could mean party wildly.]

better off oft bereft

certainly I can't rely.

charitable a real bitch

clamor or calm

Climaxes. I calm sex. [double: antonym (l excite sex), synonym (l terminate sexual excitement).]

Clipping. 1. Pip 2. Cling. [double, the two opposite meanings of clip, cut off and hold on]

cold hearts Others-clad

commendation Aim to condemn.

conventional I vote non-clan.

Credited. Cited red. [CRED ITED]

III. OTHER (including some definitives)

abnormal Moral ban?

afterlife A free lift?

all fours 1 our falls 2. All fur so.

ambusher: "I can!" (Bush, "American!")

[AM BUSH ER I CAN] [Can (may) 'ambush' lraq, eg.]

annexation (an ex-nation!)

apologetics a poet's logic

armadillos modal rails

attorneys "Neat story 'n' easy tort."
(Rotten say, yes/no tart t' nosey art so nattery!)

bacteria a bit race [Dental caries?]

bar fad "Fab, rad!" ("Far bad barf ad!")

bottom to "bm" to [bowel movement]

bottomless pit Topless tomb, it.

butt "a fat tub" [palindrome]

"cleavage" veal cage [Bust-or add to butt!]

"Cogito ergo sum." (micro ego gusto)

commercials "Miracles.com"
(Claimers.com!) ("Malicers.com!!")

competition "Come point it."
competition theory "Come inherit top toy."

Comprise. co-primes

[(Math.) Every integer is comprised of (the product of) at least two prime numbers, if only self and one.]

contraception I can protect, no? ("Can" protection?)

Creationism Reactionism (So I'm a cretin?)
['Why be an ape when you can be a reactionary cretin?']