HEADSHOTS AND FOOTPRINTS REVISITED

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The reader is referred to the headshot and footprint categories listed in Eric Iverson’s *Headshots And Footprints* (August 2005). As an extension to Eric’s article, I have compiled the following A-Z lists of headshot words and footprint words which are all heterograms (no repeated letters). Most of the words can be found in the Oxford English Dictionary, Second Edition. Places, identified by country, are taken from the United States Board on Geographic Names. Other references: Hodge = Handbook of American Indians ed. by F.W.Hodge, 1907; Sted. = Stedman’s Medical Dictionary; Web2 = Webster’s Second Edition.

HEADSHOT WORDS

Awkwardly, the headshot categories dictate that a word cannot have both E and T; both I and L; and can only have one of C, G, O and S.

7-letter words
ACHEMISTRY, BANSHIE, CURTAIN, DAMNIFY, EQUABLY, FORMULA, GAUKIER, HARMONY, INVADES, JOURNEY, KNAVISH, LARCENY, MOWABLE, NUMERIC, OPUNTIA, PAUCITY, QUAKIER, RAVINES, SEMINAR, TROWMAN, UNAIMED, VINEGAR, WARMING, XANTHIC, YAWNERS, ZANYISM

8-letter words
ANEURISM, BIKEWAYS, CHAIRMEN, DYNAMIST, ENRAVISH, FRANCUM, GERANIUM, HOMERIAN, ICKENHAM (London, England), JURYMAST, KNOWABLE, LUKEWARM, MACHINED, NUMERACY, OVERWALK, PEAKYISH, QUIREMAN, RAVENISH, SEMINARY, TYPANIC, UNWALKED, VANISHER, WEVERING, XANTHISM (Sted.), YCHAINED, ZANYSHIP

9-letter words
AMPHITOKY, BUKOWIZNA (Poland), CHIPEWYAN (Hodge), DYMEMAKING (Web2), EURAKYLON (Chambers Dictionary), FLUNKYDOM (Web2), GURINEVKA (Ukraine), HANDMIKES, IRKENYASH (Russia), JURY-WOMAN, KEYINGHAM (Humberside, England), LUMBKAWNG (Burma), MYONEURAL and NEUROMYAL (transposals), OVALBUMAN, PLAYWOMEN, QUIDENHAM (in Norfolk, England), RYCHWALEK (Poland), SYMPATHIN (a hormone), TYRINGHAM (Bucks., England), UNMOVABLE, VRAKUKE (Bosnia-Herzegovina), WYKEHAMI, XUMABOKWE (S.Africa), YEDINGHAM (North Yorks., England), ZINKGRUNGA (Sweden)

10-letter word
NYACHIMBWE (Zambia) uses letters from 10 of the 11 headshot categories, all except that represented by K.

FOOTPRINT WORDS

The more severe constraints here dictate that a word cannot have both I and T; both E and L; and can only have one of C, G, O and S.

7-letter words
ANEURISM, BANQUET, CARMINE, DARLING, EVADING, FROWNED, GARMENT, HARVEST, INVOKE, JARDINE, KNAVISH, LAMBKIN, MACHINE, NEARISH, ORDINAL, PRANCED, QUATERN, RAINBOW, SARDINE, THUNDER, UNEARTH, VARNISH, WHARVES, XIBRESH (Albania), YARDMEN, ZARNICH (Bulgaria)
8-letter words
AVOWMENT, BEHAVING, CHAIRMEN, DRAWLING, ENDARCHY, FOREHAND, GHIRLAND, HORNBEAM, INVADERS, J...., KNOTHEAD, LINCHARD (lynchet), MERCHANT, NAKEDISH, ONWARDLY, PENUMBRA, QUADRINE, RAVISHED, SHIREMAN, THANEDOM, UNFARMED, VANISHED, WARBLING, X...., YNWARDES, ZIONWARD

9-letter words
ABHORMENT, BLAINWORM, CHAWMBIRE (chamber), DEATH-WORM, EMBRAVING, FERNBAHOV (Yugoslavia), GARDZHVIN (Tajikistan), HAND-POWER, INCHAMBER, J...., KACHIMBWE (Malawi), LANDTHURM (Germany), MERCHANTY, NACHIMBWE (Zambia), O...., POWDER-MAN, QUIDENHAM (in Norfolk, England), RADINGHEM (France), SANHEDRIM, THENWARDS, UNDERMATH, VARNISHED, WARNISHED, X...., Y...., Z....

10-letter word
HUMPVARDEN (Svalbard, Norway)

HEADSHOT/FOOTPRINT WORDS
A few of the words listed above qualify both as headshot words and footprint words. Here is a list of 6-letter words which exemplify this dual status:
AMNES, BANISH, CREAMY, DYNAMO, EARWIG, FORMAL, GAINED, HONKED, IMAGED, JEWMAN, KEYHAM (Leicestershire, England), LUNARY, MAIDEN, NORMAL, OLDHAM (near Manchester, England), PLANKS, QUAVER, RAVENS, SABINE, THANKS, UNMAKE, VANISH, WHACKY, XENIUM, YANKED, ZONARY

PAIRS OF WORDS
Eric states that it is impossible to find words having the same footprints that share no letters in the same position unless one amalgamates categories, not distinguishing among wedges, verticals and angles. Searching for pairs of 4-letter words with the same footprints, I found the following which do distinguish among wedges, verticals and angles. Some letters are non-contenders because they are the sole representatives of their particular category - V, H, N, W, M, Q.

EXPO LAYS
SEXY SEXY
POKE POKE
DOER DOER
DOZY DOZY

Pairs with the same headshots can also be found. As above, certain letters are banned - A, N, M, K, W.

CHIP CHEP
RISE RISE
STIR STIR
PHOT PHOT
GIVE GIVE

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Finally, I wondered if there was an AEIOU word which was also a headshot word and a footprint word. Obviously not, as O and U belong to the same footprint category. However, I found an AEIOU headshot word - the infamous MIAOUED (Webster’s 5th Collegiate) with its five vowels in a group. JOURNAYE (journey) is an AEIOUY headshot word.