DEFINITIVE ANAGRAMS: M-O

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These anagrams, polyanagrams, palindromes and charades follow the constraints and conventions set out earlier in this series (03-91, 279; 04-274; 05-211). To my knowledge they are original as cognates, but most one-word anagrams are known from numerous computer compilations. Except rarely as part of a polynagram none is in The New Anagrammasia, Ross Eckler’s valuable big 1992 compilation of all then known affinitive anagrams, nor in Stuart Kidd’s list of “synonagrams” (03-290).

DEFINITIVES
variously simulated dictionary definitions

make the grade  get head mark, E
malemutess  “mule teams”
male servant  re man’s valet
mandarin  1. man  2. a rind [MANDRARIN]
man-eater  Tear me an’ earn meat.
matinal  AM (<Latin)
matriarchy  try Chairma
meadowland  lea, down, dam
measurement  Mensurate, me man, use meter;
measures assure me.
mensurate  Numerate’s rates menu means true,
neater sum.
medley  Ye meld. (melinged = mingled)
megalomania  mal-egomania  (coinage)
the mercenaries  recent hé-armyés
mermaid  I’m dream ’mid mare.
mikado  kami-do  Divine ancestry (Funk&Wg)
mentally  Men tally, man telly, tell many.
Figuring, observing and communicating are the three main mental functions. See — tally — tell.

 IN →  SCIENCE  →  OUT

(I get everything in-science-out!)

Minister  “in’” Mister, “in” Ms tier
minuet  I’m tune minute.
minus X plus X  -X+X sums up nil.
misappropriate  A tap is improper.
miscast  misacts (the miscast hams-it sect)
miscreants  Crime’s “ants” (insects!) mar.
missionary position  I on a miss I so pry into
mixed emotions
Sex in doom time— it’s demon/moxie!
mockingly  long micky  taken-out-of context
modal  a mold

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**moderation**  I’m o’ dare-not, air-not mode, don’t o’er-aim at “More!” I don or note a mid-mode ration.

**in a moment**  “No time, man.”

**monetarism**  rate monism

**the monologue**  lone ego mouth

**a moth-eaten border**  One mo’ threadbare, tattered hem ran. Boo!

**mother’s little helpers**  pills (met her lost ‘there’ ‘til pellets smother her)  ‘there’ = sanity

**mouth-watering**  Tongue wham’r, it.

**narrowed**  arrow-end

**Ogden Nash**  Sang honed ode—’n’ hangs a “gosh!” end’n.

**Nationalist**  “I sit on natal soil, anti-‘ant’, anti-Latin sot. No Italians! No ‘till’ Asian, Laotian nits!”

**“Nature calls.”**  Allures t’ can.

**naysayer**  nary a yes

**nearing**  in range ’n’ gainer

**nears**  Ears ’n’ nares earn snares.

**“need-to-knows”**  Ken’s not owed. Don’t now seek.

**negotiated**  idea gotten

**negotiated in vain**  No tie navigated in.

**nephritis**  “p” rinse hit

**nepotism**  I’m pet son. Spot me in post I, men, most pine.

**nervous**  nous “rev” mind racing

**neurotics**  cretinous re nous tic

**neurosciences**  ensure concise science re nous

**nested**  set den (I nested, set nide.)

**new day**  dawn (Ye yawned.)

**nightfall**  half glint

**nightmare**  a REM thing right mean

**nitwits**  Wit isn’t twistin’ in twits.

**none**  $n = one$ – $n = one$

**“none of the above”**  Vote he of no bane. cf. Brewster’s Millions with Richard Pryor

**non-limber**  nor nimble

**nonprofit**  non pro-fit

**nonresistance**  screens no anti; no strain scene

**a “not all there”**  “not here at all”

**synonyms**  disguised as antonyms

**not cricket**  no trick, etc (obsolete term!)

**“No Trespassing”**

re “PASS NOT!” sign sinners go past

**no waver**  Now aver.

**nuclear**  clue: RNA cell, RNA synthesis

**nucleus**  clue: sun atom, sun’s energy

**nudities**  Is untied undies. “It (suit) I end; ie, nudist, I sun-diet, nudism ’mid sun,

**no clothing**  no hot cling, no long itch.”

(Nudity has its robe—one’s birthday suit!)

**nursemaid**  “A minder, us.”

Is under-Ma, aims under, airs ’m nude, minds urea, dams urine, mired anus is ‘manured’.
obdurate  rut abode, a doubter, adore “But!”
obey  so be “yes boy”
obedient I bend, toe, “It be done!”
obit Bit 0 t’ bio.  0 = the dust, the big zero
obligated I log a debt.
observe “see” orb (v. verbose obverse!)
obsession One’s “boss”, I.
obstinate A bit set on “be it not!” as obstinate’s sit bone sat.
obstreperous Reb opts rouse.
“occasionally” “O, can, socially.”
octane on “ate” C “8” carbons; “eaten” as fuel
octopus tentacles
Count “toe” clasp set: ten-less-too cup act.
too = two, a liberty justified by the near synonymy of two and too: both ≈ and, plus one
officiated I fit a code.
old-fashioned ie, holds no fad
opening pen “go-in” 3 relevant definitions: 1) door into the pen; 2) hole a pen(cil) fits in; 3) “go-in” is the password or signal
opening bell begin-on pell
opinionated Not aid-open, I pin onto idea.
opportunities I open out trips, put option rise.
orangutan dag gargantuan do
orchestrated Set chord rate.
ordain road in
ordure rude “do”
organised Dig “sane”, order so gain.
orphaned no Pa, herd, pad, no Her
orts rots sort orts = rottable leftovers
outbred bed tour
pun: 1) bred more by sleeping around;
2) outbred is the opposite of inbred (incest)
outcry curt “Oy!”
out of control out-front loco, not of cool rut
outpacer Top race, us o’ ace spurt.
outré outer route (different etymologies)
outsider 1. Is routed—dire oust, sour tide.
2. Outrides our edits. 1. victim; 2. rebel
overcast Cover sat. Cave sort covets Ra.
overlooked love-rooked (an ostrich anagram)
overseer serve o’er
In best overseers, “I steer, never boss.”
owned 1. endowed
2. won
3. owed, now end
1. inheritance or gift; 2. earned or got lucky;
3. paid off the mortgage or credit card

The Oxford English Dictionary (unabridged)
Unbrief darg indicated English orthodoxy.
oxymoron Or X=Y no mo’.
ANTIGRAMS
[d] = a double or ambigram (antonym or synonym)

madness MD’s “Sane.”

mid-range margined [d] ant.: put at edge (arch.); syn.: in the middle, surrounded by margins

misbehaviour Be Him, Saviour.

miscellaneous sell a one music

mother ho term [d] whore; ant. ideally, syn. often; plus “mother” is a low-life swear word

mountain climbers non-summit calibre

nod no’d

nonesuch unchosen

non-static Constant, I. [d] ant.: steady v. not; syn.: radio signal

nous no us
an unusual macaronic antonym charade, French “us” = English “no us”

a great number Tab meagre run.

open up O, pen up!

ordinary rad irony
Although irony is getting to be pretty darn ordinary.

organised as eroding [d] antonym—or a law of nature, two-way traffic

outwards toward us [d] antonym—unless we’re far out!

SMYNONYMS (definitive palindromes)

“No!” I null union.

“No it!” a renege generation

nonet ten on antigram—or syn.: “going on ten”

nosey Eyes on. a Picasso pun, eyes where nose should be

no trace not one carton

omission No is’s, I’m 0.

one- heno- combining form of one (Web3)

AFFINITIVES

Maidens aid men’s mean ids’ end aims.

Malaises ass-ail me.

malingering I’m angler. fishing for an excuse not to work

malodorous Our loo damns.

marriage contract tract on “rare magic” (which gradually contracts afterwards)

masculine Main clue’s in a “muscle”. (!)

merchandise I’m cash ender.


macroscopes cosmo-spacer, cosmos pacer

Macroscopic cosmic cap?
Or a comic’s crop o’ cosmic crap?
Monday “Moandy”

monstrous O, Sunstorm!
A direct hit might end the whole electronic age
and bring the species to its knees.

morning Ring!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!! 'M on.
an alarming way to start the day

“move forward” mod for “waver”
especially among mod politicians

nighty thingy (Shifty!)

no-body bony do skeleton (or anorexic)

nonprofit if not porn profitability formula

No will? Now ill!

obesity So ye bit? O yes bit,
o yes bit, o yes bit... (...obit, yes?)

Offer honour, honour offer, honour, offer,
honour, offer, ... (our “on her, off her” on our off
hour offer on) anagramming an old joke

oneupmanship one up man’s hip
a gay’s gamesmanship charade

orderliness Err less in do, reel in dross,
order less in! [ORDER,NESS]

orgasmic or’s magic!

our fat far out! pot bellies and buns

Over the hill hover the ill. “The hard part’s
done. It’s easy from here.” (No, di easy!)
(an ostrich anagram)

POLYANAGRAM VERSE etc.

Onomatopoetic
Pan ‘coo, cite moo.
Emit at oop ’n’ coo.
(Poot came in too.)

Merry Widow
“My, I err’d!
Wow, I err’d w. wo!
My ‘I’m wed’ worry
—my ‘we’ row—rid,
Merry, I’d wow!”

A Mother
Am “Other.”
Mo’ heart
Home art
At-homer.
Or am the
Other Ma.
Earth, Om.

my “significant other”, or Mother Nature

Monster Mentors (a punc 3ub charade)
Monster? Mrs! Note men’s tormentors.
Monster? Mrs, note: Men’s tormentors!

Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat Sun
Unfair to us! Must hew, tend, mend.
We thus, at four units/month,
untwist fare due us.
Newspaper
Wan! peep’rs,
Pan-weep’rs
’N’ pap sewer;²
Wars peep’n,
Rap sweep’n.
Wrap seep’n.³
1. WAN is also my local rag, West Australian News.
2. sewing together (or flushing!) lots of pablum
3. Best use is for wrapping fish and wet waste.

Overhead Sceneries
I had ‘oversee’ screen,
I see V hordes careen,
I see hovered Cranes
Seed dove-cheer rains.

Mesozoic
1. Ice zooms.
2. mice’s zoo
3. Oz is come!
65-250 my ago
1. warm era (Ice zooms off);
2. origin of mammals and birds (titmice);
3. Pangaea’s break-up creates Australia.

EROSION
Orology, meet meteorology.

Mordant Soils
Mud, senna, oil
earth, trees, fossils
(or Exxon Valdez!):

Oil Spot (a Luddite manifesto ad)
Oil spot? ’Tis pool!
Stop Oil—O pistol to spoil topsoil!
I so plot revolution, rig Oil overturning!

Monster Age
Stern game o’ ogres
Meant a gene storm
(Man’s) tore Ge.