

NBR WORDS UPDATE: GATES

HOST:

Here at National Bitrake Radio, we value words quite a lot. Words are key. A key is defined as

"a small piece of shaped metal with incisions cut to fit the wards of a particular lock, which is inserted into a lock and turned to open or close it."

See, you wouldn't have known that without words. Which is why they are key. Essential even. So that's why we here at N.B.R. pride ourselves in giving the most recent updates to words.

HOST (CONT'D) :

First some small changes:

- The noun "firefighter" has been changed to "fire-eliminator" as the term "fighter" was seen as giving fire-eliminators too much leeway.
- The slang term "EGOT'EM" had a new definition added: a verb describing *"when a person has achieved EGOT status despite those who said they wouldn't."* This trumps the previous definition of "EGOT'EM", with the previous definition being *"a proper exclamation give when a person is taken into an alley in London and never seen again."*
- After nine months of petitioning, the definition for the noun "Trey Allwood" was finally changed from *"cool dude"* to *"really cool dude"*. Congrats to Trey Allwood for a successful campaign.

Now onto our big word update that happened just this Sunday:

The noun "gate" has been eliminated.

Instead, there will now only be the plural form: "gates".

This comes as charity organization the "Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation" decided to buy the definition. This comes as part of their movement "Save the Children or Die Trying", in partnership with billionaire Elon Musk.

Co-founder Bill Gates said, after consultation with his partner Elon, that he realized the word previously known as "gate" was too harsh for the children and the general public.

The new definition of "Gates" is now "person who enjoys Microsoft hardware and software, such as Xbox. They also might enjoy X.com or Tesla."

As for objects previously defined as "gates" or
"a hinged barrier used to close an opening in a wall, fence, or hedge."

Well, those objects will now be known as "door that is outside".

For example:

"Honey once you are done taking out the trash can you please close the door that is outside."

Or

"Under the king's command, the guards raised the drawbridge and closed the castle's door that is outside."

The verb "gatekeep" has also been swept up in this change as well: now being defined as

"to share your love of the search engine Bing with another human being."

Lastly, here are some of our smaller word news updates:

Good news for homosexuals! After much strife and protesting from queer allies, the definition of "gay" has been clarified by Webster. This is a huge success for heterosexual allies who were - quote - "confused" with the previous definition.

The new definition of "gay" has been changed to

"Two boys kissing."

To make sure things were even more clarified, the definition of "heterosexual" was then changed to:

*"Two boys **NOT** kissing."*

And to prevent any further confusion, the definition of lesbian was changed to:

*"Two **NOT** boys **NOT** kissing."*

As RuPaul says, "ConDRAGulations queers".

HOST (CONT'D) :

That's all for your word update. And as you celebrate this Black History Month, please remember that this year the President Biden has changed the name to "Martin Luther King Jr. Month" after four white parents in Florida were confused about who exactly their children were celebrating.

AD - Now That's What I Call Gregorian Chants 58

HOST

[segue, then:] Now a brief word from NBR's sponsors:

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SEGMENT - This Hour in History: Oldest Lawmaker

HOST

Well folks, the time is currently [CURRENT TIME]. How lawful time is! That means it's time for another segment of This Hour in History.

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[AUDIO BACKING: Vivaldi, The Four Seasons]

TIMELY

Evening, I'm historian Richard Timely. What is an hour? Sixty minutes? 1/24 of a day?

No. Neither. Hours are not mere measures of time, but moments... in history.

[AUDIO BACKING: [Law & Order Opening](#)]

TIMELY

"Laws are what keep societies and societies are what keep laws." That's a quote from President Joe Biden when I asked him the other day what his job was. I love old people. Because that's what historians are. Old people lovers.

But who was the oldest lawmaker?

[AUDIO BACKING: [Corny Dessert Music](#)]

In this hour in history, the oldest lawmaker codified the first laws. His name: Hammurabi.

At 2 AM, which is 6 PM Central Standard Time, the sixth king of Babylon's first dynasty was ending his citizen feedback session for the system of laws which he created. Today historians have dubbed this system of laws Hammurabi's code.

This code created by Hammurabi was built on thoughts, particularly ideas. Or as Hammurabi called them E-Y-E-deas, as his law was based in an “eye-for-an-eye” system. In this system, if a person took your eye you would, by law, be able to take their eye as well. However some citizens were confused by this.

From this feedback session transcript written in sanskrit found in a big pit dated 1750 BCE, we can see that one citizen felt that Hamurabi's system wasn't clarified enough:

HAMMURABI:

What is your name citizen?

MARK:

Mark.

HAMMURABI:

Last name?

MARK:

That's all I got.

HAMMURABI:

Okay. That's Mark. It says here you are confused. About what I may ask?

MARK:

I guess kinda the whole eye-for-an-eye thing. Like what if I have beautiful eyes and my neighbor Ishtar's ugly eyes are so ugly that they are like not eyes at all. Would it still be eye-for-an-eye?

HAMMURABI:

Yes, that would be correct according to my law.

MARK:

Okay thanks man. One more question, what if they have smelly eyes? Like they don't bathe in the river on a weekly basis like I do because I care about my hygiene. Ishtar does not. Does that still count?

HAMMURABI:

Yes, that counts, Mark. Thank you.

MARK:

Alright, that's it. Thank you oh great king. And also I have no way of proving this but I think Ishtar can only see in blurry dots. Like sometimes I hold up fingers and they can't tell me how many fingers I'm holding up, and it makes me so mad. Like I can count your fingers, why can't you count mine? So I guess my question is if I remove Ishtar's eyes that CAN'T even count fingers would I also have to remove my eyes that CAN count fingers?

HAMMURABI:

Are you kidding? I have been here for 24 hours. You've been in line 16 times. I want to murder you.

MARK:

Wouldn't that mean you have to also murder yourself?

[AUDIO BACKING: Vivaldi, The Four Seasons]

To this day we still do not have the ending to this transcript. But with all the old people I know I can tell you one thing: Hammurabi is not one of them. He's dead. Make of that what you will.

Laws, eyes, old people, and death. A lot can happen in an hour. This hour in history.