...A dictionary of Cockney rhyming slang...



Almond rocks = socks

Apples and pears = stairs

Apples and rice = nice

Apple pie = the sky

April showers = flowers

Artful Dodger (character in Dickens' Oliver

Twist) = lodger

Ascot Races = (horse race meeting in Britain

where spectacular hats are worn) braces (called

suspenders in the U.S.)

Bacon and eggs = legs

Bag of fruit = suit

Baked bean = queen

Baker's dozen = cousin

Ball and chalk = walk

Barnaby Rudge (title of a novel by Dickens) = judge

Barnet Fair = hair

Barney Rubble (character in the Flintstones) = trouble

Bees and honey = money

Biscuit drum or crumb = bum

Bottle and stopper = copper

Bottle of sauce = horse

Bottle of scotch = watch

Boat race = face

Bob Hope = soap

Bow and arrow(s) = sparrow(s)

Brahms and Liszt = pissed (i.e. drunk)

Bread and butter = the gutter

Bricks and mortar = daughter

Britney Spears = beers

Brown bread = dead

Bubble and squeak (dish of fried potatoes

and cabbage) = Greek

Butcher's hook = look

Cain and Abel = table

Calico yard = guard

Cat and mouse = house

Chalk farm = arm

Chatterbox = fox

Cheese and spices = prices

Cherry ripe = pipe

China plate = mate

Chunk of beef = chief

Cream crackered = knackered

Currant bun = the sun or The Sun (newspaper)

Daisy roots = boots

Dead horse = sauce

Derby Kelly = belly

Dickory dock (from a nursery rhyme) = clock

Dicky dirt = shirt

Dickie Bird = word

Dodge 'n' shirk = work

Dog and bone = phone

Dog's eye = pie

Doris Day = gay

Ducks and geese = police

Duke of Kent = rent

Duke of York = fork

Dustbin lid = kid

Elephant's trunk = drunk

Fatboy Slim (famous DJ and pop star) = gym

Fiddley did = quid

Finger and thumb = rum

Fireman's hose = nose

Fisherman's daughter = water

Forgive 'n' forget = cigarette

Fork and knife = life

Fox and weasel = diesel

Frog and toad = road

Gay 'n' hearty = party

George Raft (American actor) = draught

Giggle and titter = bitter

Gregory Peck = neck

Grim 'n' gory = story

Half-inch = pinch

Hampstead Heath = teeth

Hearts of oak = broke