

## ...A dictionary of Cockney rhyming slang Key

- Jack and Jill = bill  
Jam tart = heart  
Joe Blakes = the shakes  
Joe Blake = a snake (an untrustworthy person)  
Johnny Horner = corner  
Joy of my life = wife  
Judy Dench (British actress) = stench  
Jug of beer = ear
- Kick and prance = dance  
Kitchen sink = drink
- La-di-dah (expression meaning 'posh' or 'snobby') = car  
Lean and lurch = church  
Light and dark = park  
Loaf of bread = head  
Loop the loop = soup  
Lost and found = a pound (£)  
Lucy Lockett (character in nursery rhyme) = pocket
- Man and wife = knife  
Mickey Mouse = house  
Mince pies = eyes  
Mutter and stutter = butter
- Nails 'n' screws = news  
Nat King Cole = dole  
Near and far = bar  
North and South = mouth  
Nose and chin = win
- Oak and ash = cash  
Oily rag = fag (AmE = offensive word for a homosexual)  
Old Jack Lang = slang  
Ones and twos = shoes  
Oxford scholar = dollar
- Pat Malone = alone  
Peckham Rye (place in London) = tie  
Pen and ink = stink  
Pete Tong (famous dance music DJ) = wrong  
Petrol tank = Yank
- Photo-finish = Guinness  
Pig's ear = beer  
Pimple and blotch = Scotch  
Pitch and toss = boss  
Plates of meat = feet  
Pleasure and pain = rain  
Pork pie = lie  
Pony and trap = crap (note: Cockneys also use "pony" to mean £25)  
Pride and joy = boy
- Rabbit and pork = talk  
Raspberry tart = fart  
Rise and shine = wine  
Rock of ages = wages  
Rosie Lee = tea  
Round the houses = trousers  
Rub-a-dub-dub (from a nursery rhyme) = pub
- Scotch eggs = legs  
Scooby Doo (cartoon dog) = clue  
Sexton Blake (fictional detective) = cake  
Skin and blister = sister  
Smash 'n' grab = cab  
Soap and water = daughter  
Sweaty sock = jock
- Tea leaf = thief  
Titfer = tit for tat = hat  
Tomfoolery = jewellery  
Treacle tart = sweetheart  
Trouble and strife = wife
- Uncle Dick = sick (a reference to Richard III of England, who had his nephews murdered)  
Vera Lynn (famous British wartime singer) = gin  
Wally Groat = shout (one's turn to buy a round of drinks, as in *It's my shout.*)  
Winona Ryder = cider