

# HOW TO SPEAK STRALYAN

## THE AUSTRALIAN LANGUAGE FROM A TO Z

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**Aa**  
*is for*

### ARVO

The time after midday and before evening.

**Bb**  
*is for*

### BRISSIE

The capital of Queensland. Also known as Brisvegas.

**Cc**  
*is for*

### C'MON

A cheer of encouragement, yelled at sporting events. **(Come on!)**

**Dd**  
*is for*

### DINKI DI

True blue, patriotic.

**Ee**  
*is for*

### EAR

In this spot. As opposed to "there". As in, "come over ear!".

**Ff**  
*is for*

### FROG & TOAD

The road.

**Gg**  
*is for*

### G'DAY

A greeting. The most widely used Aussie term.

**Hh**  
*is for*

### HAROLD HOLT

Run. As in, "do the Harry Holt" (do the bolt). Also our 17th Prime Minister.

**Ii**  
*is for*

### IFFY

Dodgy, bodgy, shonky, shifty.

**Jj**  
*is for*

### JOE BLAKE

Snake. As in, "I just saw a Joe Blake on the Frog & Toad so do the Harold Holt!"

**Kk**  
*is for*

### KWEE

The opening words of a request as in, "Kwee have lunch at Maccas?".

**Ll**  
*is for*

### LUCKY COUNTRY

This great land, Oz, Down Under, Stralya.

**Mm**  
*is for*

### MATE

A friend, or stranger - anyone. Used at the end of most sentences.

**Nn**  
*is for*

### NILLY

Close, soon. "You nilly hit me!"

**Oo**  
*is for*

### O.S.

The rest of the world. **(Overseas)**

**Pp**  
*is for*

### PROLLY

Likely. "I'll prolly be home late". Gen Z would say "probs".

**Qq**  
*is for*

### QUID

Money. "It'll cost you a few quid".

**Rr**  
*is for*

### RIPPER

Great, fantastic. Normally preceded by "you little..."

**Ss**  
*is for*

### SNAGS

When cooked on a barbie and eaten on bread with sauce, it's a national dish!

**Tt**  
*is for*

### TRACKIE DACKS

Tracksuit pants. Worn by men and women - and often shared. Unofficial national dress.

**Uu**  
*is for*

### UTE

The Aussie car of choice. To call it a "pickup truck" would be, well, un-Australian.

**Vv**  
*is for*

### VEG OUT

To relax. What the younger generations may call "chillaxing".

**Ww**  
*is for*

### WHATCHAMACALLIT

A thingo, a whatsit, a dooberwhacky.

**Xx**  
*is for*

### X

Great when cooked on the barbie. Plural of egg.

**Yy**  
*is for*

### YESDEE

The day before today.

**Zz**  
*is for*

### ZACK

Money. As in, "He hasn't got zack".