

British English	American English		
*Bonnet	hood (of a car)	Jelly	Gelatin, Jell-O
*Boot	trunk (of a car)	*jug	pitcher
boot sale	garage sale	knickers	panties
Braces	suspenders	laddering my tights	a run in my stocking
chambers	law offices	ladybird	ladybug
*Cinema	movies, movie theater	lead (dogs)	leash
*Crisps	potato chips	*lead (electric)	cord, wire
Cutting	clipping (e.g., from a newspaper)	lettings	apartments for rent
double bend	S-curve	*lift	elevator
Draughts	checkers (game)	*lorry	truck
drawing pin	thumb tack	m and r	um and er, hem and haw
dummy	baby's pacifier	*mad	insane (means angry in American)
*engaged (telephone)	busy signal, line is busy	means test	need analysis
estate car	station wagon	minced meat	ground beef
*fill in, fill up complete	fill out	moggy cat	kitty
*Flat	apartment	muesli	granola
Flyover	overpass	nappies	diapers
*fortnight	two weeks	*note	bill (money)
franking machine	postage meter	noughts and crosses	tic-tac-toe
*free phone	toll free	open university	extension courses, distance education
*full stop	period	pack of cards	deck of cards
gear box	transmission	pants	underwear
*ground floor	first floor	*pavement	sidewalk
*held up	delayed (held up means robbed in American)	peep-bo	peek-a-boo
ice lolly	popsicle	peg	clothespin
Key Stage 1 (KS1)	kindergarten	perspex	Plexigla
interval	intermission	*petrol	gas, gasoline
jam	jelly	pop round	come by
		porridge	oatmeal
		*post	mail
		postcode	zip code
		power cut	power failure

*programme	show	squib	firecracker
*Pub	Saloon, bar	surgery	doctor's office (means operating room in American)
punt	gamble (means kick or skip in American)	*surname	last name, family name
purse	pocketbook	suspenders	garters
pylon	utility pole	sweeties, sweets	candy
*queue	line	swiss roll	jelly roll
ramble	walk, stroll	swot	study hard, cram
rate	tax	*tablets	pills, medicine
ready, steady, go!	ready, set, go!	take-away	carry-out (fast-food restaurant)
recap	retread	*tap	faucet
recorded delivery	return receipt requested, certified / registered mail	*taxi rank	taxi stand
return ticket	round-trip ticket	Telly	television, TV (pronounced tee-vee)
reverse charge	collect call	tick	check mark
ring pull	a can's tab	tights	pantyhose
*ring up	call	*tin	can
roll neck	turtle neck	torch	flashlight
*rubber	eraser (means condom in American)	Tot	calculate a total, add
rubbish bin	trash can	touch wood	knock on wood
salt pot	salt shaker	*Town centre	Downtown
sandpit	sandbox	*tradesman	storekeeper
scrape	butter or margarine, thinly spread	treacle	molasses
semi-detached house	Duplex	trolley	shopping cart
serviette	napkin	*trousers	pants
silencer (vehicles)	muffler	*tube station	subway station
single ticket	one-way ticket	Vest	T-shirt, undershirt
slide	barrette (hair)	white coffee	coffee with cream
*smart	well-dressed (means clever in American)	zed	the letter zee (z)
spanner	wrench		
*spirits	alcohol (liquor, brandy, whiskey)		