



Beefed-up burgernomics

Glossary

- **Gourmet** (adj.) = producing or relating to very good food and drink [i.e. *a gourmet cook, gourmet dinners*]
Gourmet (noun – count.) = someone who enjoys good food and who knows a lot about food and wine.
■ ■ = Buongustaio, conoscitore di vini e cibo, ecc.
- **Yuan** (noun – count.) = The yuan is the unit of money used in the People's Republic of China.
- **Index** (noun) plural **indexes or indices** 1 [count] something such as a price, amount, level etc. that shows the general level of related prices etc.; 2 [count] in Economics it is a figure showing the level of something, for example prices, in relation to earlier levels ■ ■ = Indice
- **light-hearted** (adj.) = Something that is light-hearted is intended to be entertaining or amusing, cheerful and happy and not at all serious ■ ■ = allegro, divertente, frivolo
- **Currency** (noun) plural **currencies** [countable, uncountable] the system or type of money used in a particular country ■ ■ = valuta, moneta, divisa
- **Gauge** (noun – count.) A gauge is a device that measures the amount or quantity of something and shows the amount measured ■ ■ = misura, strumento di misura.
- **Mis-** (prefix) is added to some verbs and nouns to form new verbs and nouns which indicate that something is done badly or wrongly.
- **Exchange-rate** (noun – count.) is the price at which one currency can be bought with another ■ ■ = tasso di scambio.
- **To beef up** (phrasal verb) If you beef up something, you increase, strengthen, or improve it ■ ■ = rimpolpare, rafforzare, dar vigore.
- **Purchasing-power parity (PPP)** (uncount.) If two currencies have **purchasing-power parity** an amount of one country's currency needed to buy particular goods there will buy the same amount of goods in another country when exchanged into the currency of that country. This is used to see if currencies are correctly valued against each other on the currency exchange markets. ■ ■ = parità dei poteri di acquisto.
- **Burger** (noun – count.) A burger is a flat round mass of minced meat or vegetables, which is fried and often eaten in a bread roll ■ ■ = medaglione di carne tritata, panino con hamburger.

- **Weighted average** or **Weighted mean** (noun – count.) In STATISTICS it is an average calculated by giving more value to some figures than others, depending on their relative importance ■ ■ = media ponderata
- **Spot-on** (adj.) = Spot-on means exactly correct or accurate. (British informal) ■ ■ = preciso accurato
- **Survey** (noun – count.) If you carry out a survey, you try to find out detailed information about a lot of different people or things, usually by asking people a series of questions ■ ■ = esame, indagine, ricerca, studio, rilevazione, sondaggio.
- **To account for something** (phrasal verb) If a particular thing accounts for a part or proportion of something, that part or proportion consists of that thing, or is used or produced by it ■ ■ = consistere, influire, incidere.
- **Rupee** (noun – count.) A rupee is a unit of money that is used in India, Pakistan, and some other countries ■ ■ = rupia, moneta indiana.
- **To swallow** (verb) If you swallow something, you cause it to go from your mouth down into your stomach ■ ■ = ingoiare, mandar giù, credere.
- **Thy** (det.) Thy is an old-fashioned, poetic, or religious word for 'your' when you are talking to one person.
- **Rent** (noun) Rent is the amount of money that you pay regularly to use a house, flat, or piece of land ■ ■ = affitto, nolo.
- **To rent** (verb) If you rent something, you regularly pay its owner a sum of money in order to be able to have it and use it yourself.
- **Wage** (noun – count.) Someone's wages are the amount of money that is regularly paid to them for the work that they do ■ ■ = salario, paga.
- **GDP** (abbreviation for) GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT ■ ■ = prodotto interno lordo.
- **Income** (noun) A person's or organization's income is the money that they earn or receive, as opposed to the money that they have to spend or pay out ■ ■ = reddito, entrate.
- **To head** (verb) If you are heading for a particular place, you are going towards that place. In American English, you can also say that you are headed for a particular place ■ ■ = dirigersi
- **To estimate** (verb) If you estimate a quantity or value, you make an approximate judgment or calculation of it. (syn. To judge, to assess, to evaluate) ■ ■ = stimare, valutare.

- **Current** (adj.) means happening, being used, or being done at the present time   = attuale, corrente.
- **Fair value** (noun – count. usually singular) In finance it is the value of a business's assets based on the amount of money that could probably be obtained if they were sold   = valore normale.
- **Actual** (adj.) You use actual to emphasize that you are referring to something real or genuine (syn. real)   = reale, effettivo, vero e proprio.
- **Recipe** (noun – count.) A recipe is a list of ingredients and a set of instructions that tell you how to cook something   = ricetta.
- **Dear** (adj.) If you say that something is dear, you mean that it costs a lot of money, usually more than you can afford or more than you think it should cost. (mainly BRIT INFORMAL) = expensive ≠ cheap   = caro, costoso.
- **Greenback** (noun – count.) *informal AmE* 1. an American BANKNOTE , especially a dollar note 2. the American dollar when it is traded on currency markets   = banconota / dollaro.
- **Ground (for)** (noun) If something is grounds for a feeling or action, it is a reason for it. If you do something on the grounds of a particular thing, that thing is the reason for your action   = causa, motivo di ...
- **To shrink** (irr.verb: shrink, shrank, shrunk) If something shrinks or something else shrinks it, it becomes smaller   = restringere, contrarsi, ridursi (≠ grow).
- **To drop** (verb) If a level or amount drops or if someone or something drops it, it quickly becomes less   = cadere, abbassarsi, diminuire.
- **To rise** (irr.verb: rise, rose, risen) If the level of something such as the water in a river rises, it becomes higher   = aumentare, crescere, innalzarsi. (≠ fall).
- **To grill** (verb) When you grill food, or when it grills, you cook it using very strong heat directly above or below it. (BRIT; in AM, use broil)   = arrostitire, grigliare.
- **Inflation** (noun-uncount.) Inflation is a general increase in the prices of goods and services in a country.