

## First Recorded Usages in Dickens

This table was compiled in 2012 from the files of the *Oxford English Dictionary*. For the quotations, see the accompanying file.

a-smear	Great Expectations	1861
admonitorial: admonitory	Dombey and Son	1848
agliter	Our Mutual Friend	1865
all-over	The Mystery of Edwin Drood	1870
allowance (v)	Nicholas Nickleby	1839
allus	Bleak House	1853
allwork	Oliver Twist	1838
apron	Our Mutual Friend	1865
apronless: without an apron	Our Mutual Friend	1865
bandiness: being bandy-legged	The Old Curiosity Shop	1841
beadlehood	Oliver Twist	1838
beamer	Little Dorrit	1857
beeswax (v)	Sketches by Boz	1836
bibless: without a bib	Our Mutual Friend	1865
Blondin	Uncommercial Traveller	1863
boredom	Bleak House	1853
bowie-knife	American Notes	1842
Bramah	Sketches by Boz	1836
bulgy	Dombey and Son	1847
butter-fingers	The Pickwick Papers	1836
cab (v)	Letters	1835
cannibalic	The Pickwick Papers	1837
cavatina	LibFic	1836
cellarous	Little Dorrit	1857
charcoal	Nicholas Nickleby	1839
cheesiness	The Old Curiosity Shop	1841
cheval-glass	The Pickwick Papers	1836
clobber	Household Words	1853
clod-hopping	Martin Chuzzlewit	1843
coach-horser	The Pickwick Papers	1837
coachfulness	Uncommercial Traveller	1863
coachlessness:	Uncommercial Traveller	1863
coal-whipper	Sketches by Boz	1836
commoney	The Pickwick Papers	1837
complexionless	Uncommercial Traveller	1863
conductorial	Letters	1853
confusingly	Letters	1863
connubiality	The Pickwick Papers	1836
conspiratorial	Little Dorrit	1856
consularity	Little Dorrit	1857
convulsing	Martin Chuzzlewit	1843
copying	Sketches by Boz	1836
corkscrew (v)	The Pickwick Papers	1837

counter (v)	Martin Chuzzlewit	1843
crush hat	Nicholas Nickleby	1839
Cuba	The Pickwick Papers	1837
deadlong	Martin Chuzzlewit	1843
demnition	Nicholas Nickleby	1839
Denmark	Sketches by Boz	1836
devil-may-care	The Pickwick Papers	1837
dissective	Letters	1860
distributionist	Sketches by Boz	1836
divulgence	Household Words	1851
dolly	Bleak House	1853
drabbish	American Notes	1842
draggle-haired	Our Mutual Friend	1865
drysaltery	Dombey and Son	1847
dustbin	Dombey and Son	1847
earthquaky	The Pickwick Papers	1837
economizer	The Old Curiosity Shop	1841
effaceable	Nicholas Nickleby	1839
egg-box	Hard Times	1854
embowerment	Dombey and Son	1846
emetically	Uncommercial Traveller	1863
'ere: here	The Pickwick Papers	1837
essayical	Letters	1860
fairy story	David Copperfield	1849
fingerless	Nicholas Nickleby	1839
flannel (v)	Sketches by Boz	1834
fluey	Great Expectations	1861
fluffiness	Uncommercial Traveller	1860
flummox	The Pickwick Papers	1837
footlights	Sketches by Boz	1836
fretty	Letters	1844
funky	The Pickwick Papers	1837
galvanizing	Hard Times	1854
gardenful	A Tale of Two Cities	1859
gasper	Letters	1845
gingerous	Our Mutual Friend	1864
gingery	Bleak House	1853
gonoph	Bleak House	1853
gorm	David Copperfield	1849
gran	All Year Round	1863
Guinness	Monthly Magazine	1834
half-baptize:	Sketches by Boz	1836
halloa	Barnaby Rudge	1841
head-voice	David Copperfield	1850
head-work	The Pickwick Papers	1837
heavens	Household Words	1858
hopping	Uncommercial Traveller	1860
hunchy	The Old Curiosity Shop	1841

ickle	Dombey and Son	1846
invalided	The Pickwick Papers	1837
-ization	Our Mutual Friend	1864
jeff	Hard Times	1854
jostlement	A Tale of Two Cities	1859
jowled	Great Expectations	1861
jungled	American Notes	1842
Kensal Green	Letters	1842
key-bugle	Sketches by Boz	1836
kibosh	Sketches by Boz	1836
knifer	The Mystery of Edwin Drood	1870
lace-up	Sketches by Boz	1836
Loddon	Dictionary of the Thames	1882
looking-forward	Letters	1837
lor'	Sketches by Boz	1836
lummy	Oliver Twist	1838
m'lud	Bleak House	1853
mairie	All Year Round	1864
manslaughter (v)	Martin Chuzzlewit	1843
mantrap (v)	Mr Nightingale's Diary	1851
manty-making	Nicholas Nickleby	1839
melodramatically	The Pickwick Papers	1837
meltability	Our Mutual Friend	1865
Mephistophelean	Dombey and Son	1847
messiness	Letters	1836
metropolitaneously	Letters	1852
mildewy	Sketches by Boz	1836
millinerial	Letters	1844
missis	Nicholas Nickleby	1839
mo	Letters	1836
monkey-nut	Household Words	1857
monomaniacally	Little Dorrit	1856
Mormonist	American Notes	1842
mother-in-law (v)	Little Dorrit	1857
mustard-poultice (v)	Letters	1858
narratable	Letters	1852
natural-looking	Sketches by Boz	1836
new boy	Dombey and Son	1847
newspapered	Little Dorrit	1857
nohows	Dombey and Son	1848
nutcracker (v)	Great Expectations	1861
odd-job (v)	A Tale of Two Cities	1859
off time	All Year Round	1866
offsetting	Household Words	1857
oh (v)	Sketches by Boz	1837
old dear	The Pickwick Papers	1836
ological	Hard Times	1854
oner	The Old Curiosity Shop	1841

oo	Little Dorrit	1857
out-sharpen (v)	Our Mutual Friend	1864
oystery	Letters	1844
panner	Household Words	1853
panspermist	All Year Round	1868
paperchase	Household Words	1856
participled	All Year Round	1862
party-like	Letters	1832
patroness (v)	Our Mutual Friend	1865
pay-off	Our Mutual Friend	1864
paybox	Household Words	1851
perruquarian	Sketches by Boz	1836
petful	Household Words	1852
petticoat-governed	Sketches by Boz	1836
Pickwickian	Letters	1836
Podsnappery	Our Mutual Friend	1864
polka (v)	Letters	1846
poll-parrot	Our Mutual Friend	1865
polygamically	Uncommercial Traveller	1863
pompey (v)	Great Expectations	1860
ponging: projecting	Hard Times	1854
prima ballerina	All Year Round	1868
prisonous	Little Dorrit	1856
prodding	Our Mutual Friend	1864
prop	Household Words	1850
prosily	The Pickwick Papers	1836
pruney	Little Dorrit	1857
psychographer	Letters	1854
puff-puff	Household Words	1856
punchy	Letters	1843
pupil-less	Our Mutual Friend	1865
railway time	Dombey and Son	1847
rampacious: rampageous	The Pickwick Papers	1836
rampage	Great Expectations	1860
red tapeworm	Household Words	1851
retelegraph	Nicholas Nickleby	1839
ringing up	Sketches by Boz	1836
rose-pink	Sketches by Boz	1836
rough-dry (v)	The Pickwick Papers	1836
round the clock	Bleak House	1852
ruler (v)	David Copperfield	1849
ruling: beating with a ruler	David Copperfield	1849
saucepanful	All Year Round	1868
saveloy	The Pickwick Papers	1837
sawbones	The Pickwick Papers	1837
Scheherazade	Letters	1851
scrunched	Sketches by Boz	1836
sea-going	Dombey and Son	1848

seediness	The Pickwick Papers	1837
sell (n): act of betraying	Oliver Twist	1838
set piece	Pictures from Italy	1846
sharp practice	The Pickwick Papers	1836
short-timer	Uncommercial Traveller	1863
shriven	Pictures from Italy	1846
sit-down	Sketches by Boz	1836
slinking	Barnaby Rudge	1841
slow-coach	The Pickwick Papers	1837
sniggerer	Uncommercial Traveller	1860
snobbish	The Old Curiosity Shop	1841
soupy	Uncommercial Traveller	1869
spectacularly	A Tale of Two Cities	1859
spiflication	Nicholas Nickleby	1839
spoffish: fussy	Sketches by Boz	1836
spongeless	Uncommercial Traveller	1863
squashed	Little Dorrit	1856
stoutish	Sketches by Boz	1836
streety	Little Dorrit	1856
strop: sharpen	Barnaby Rudge	1841
Suffolker	David Copperfield	1849
swarmer	Martin Chuzzlewit	1844
swarry	The Pickwick Papers	1837
tagliarini	Pictures from Italy	1846
tcha	Martin Chuzzlewit	1844
tin-tack	Nicholas Nickleby	1839
tip-cheese	The Pickwick Papers	1837
toke	Letters	1843
tousled	Dombey and Son	1847
trembly	Dombey and Son	1846
trucker	Household Words	1853
turpentine (v)	Sketches by Boz	1836
un-swanlike	The Pickwick Papers	1837
unassertive	Great Expectations	1861
unbear	Bleak House	1853
uncertificated	Sketches by Boz	1836
uncolonial	Great Expectations	1861
under-sawyer	Our Mutual Friend	1864
undiscussible	Great Expectations	1860
undistinctive	Household Words	1851
unhooped	Great Expectations	1860
unmunched	The Mystery of Edwin Drood	1870
unpensioning	Bleak House	1853
unprisoned	The Old Curiosity Shop	1841
unpromisingly	Dombey and Son	1847
unruffable	The Pickwick Papers	1837
unscavengered	Pictures from Italy	1846
unshiplike	American Notes	1842

unsnap	All Year Round	1862
unsoaped	The Pickwick Papers	1837
unsoftening	Little Dorrit	1857
unyielding	Dombey and Son	1847
utilitarianism	Nicholas Nickleby	1839
wagonful	Pictures from Italy	1846
water-cart (v)	Household Words	1851
waxy: angry	Bleak House	1853
way	Sketches by Boz	1836
well-cured	Oliver Twist	1838
well-housed	Oliver Twist	1838
whizz-bang	The Pickwick Papers	1836
whoosh (v)	Letters	1856
willed	Our Mutual Friend	1865
wimick: dialect	David Copperfield	1850
woa: woah	The Old Curiosity Shop	1841
yaw-yaw	Hard Times	1854