



The week's best invented words

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Pregret: v.: knowing in advance that you are about to make a poor decision, but you do it anyway. (Cindy McMillan, Brooklin, Ont.)

Nomotion: n: During the recession of 2009, employers have been giving promotions to employees by adding more responsibility to their current position or new job title, but not giving the employee any monetary compensation for it. "My boss gave me a no-motion as I was promoted to VP but still receiving the same pay!" (urbandictionary.com)

Bitching post: Any place or medium (such as a newspaper, radio talk show, blog or chat room) where people can rant, complain or blow off steam (urbandictionary.com)

Oblication, n.: Vacation time spent managing personal obligations, such as taking days off from work to move your son into his dorm at college. (Buzzwhack.com)

Betamaxad, v: Slang for what happens when a better technology loses out to a lesser one better-known in the marketplace. Refers to when VHS became the standard over the Betamax videotape format. (www.netlingo.com).

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