

# Toil in the Sun

## shoal

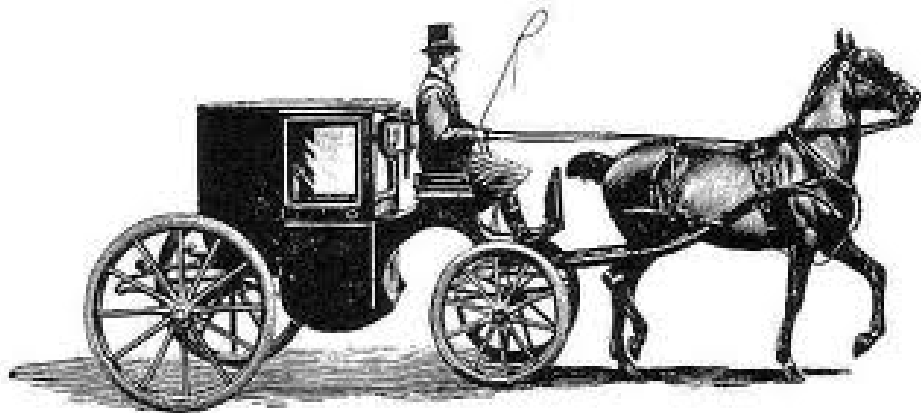
### ► noun

- A shallow area in a sea or ocean, e.g. *Our boat got stuck on a shoal.*

## poach

### ► verb (**poach, poaching, poached**)

1. To take game or fish illegally, e.g. *Greedy people poach deer and elephants and sell their horns; People who poach animals are called poachers; If anyone is caught poaching elephants, they will be sent to jail.*
2. To take something unfairly, e.g. *The Australian cricket team poached the best players from the Indian cricket team (i.e. They took the best players).*



## coach

### ► noun

1. A vehicle, generally drawn by horse, e.g. *Before there were cars, people traveled in horse-drawn coaches.*
2. A sports trainer, e.g. *He is our cricket coach.*
3. A luxury bus, e.g. *We went on a holiday to Jagganath Puri by coach.*

### ► verb (**coach, coaching, coached**)

1. To train, e.g. *Some students go to tuition to get special coaching to pass exams.*
2. To teach, e.g. *She has coached many opera stars.*



## shear

### ► verb (shear, shearing, sheared)

- To remove the wool from a sheep etc by clipping, e.g. *The man was shearing the sheep.*

### ► noun

- (Shears) A cutting tool similar to scissors, but larger, e.g. *Do you have a pair of shears that I could borrow to cut some branches off this plant.*



## farmer

### ► noun

- A person who grows food crops or who keeps farm animals, especially on a large piece of land (a farm), e.g. *My uncle is a farmer, he grows wheat and rice on his farm.*



## shook

### ► verb [shake, shaking, shook, shaken]

- Simple past tense of 'shake' (see below), e.g. *The earthquake shook the building; The baby shook his rattle.*



## shake

### ► verb [shake, shaking, shook, shaken]

1. To cause (something) to move rapidly back and forth, e.g. *The baby was shaking his rattle, Do not shake the cold drinks, otherwise when we open the lid, the drink will come out.*
2. To move (one's head) from side to side, especially to indicate a negative, e.g. *Shaking his head, he kept saying, "No, no, no".*
3. To shiver or tremble, e.g. *She shook with cold; I was so scared that I started shaking.*
4. To shake hands, e.g. *You two stop fighting - shake hands and be friends; OK, let's shake on it!*

### ► noun

- A milkshake, e.g. *Would you like a mango shake?*

## tooth

### ► noun (plural teeth)

- A bone in the mouth used for eating, e.g. *I lost a tooth.*







## booth

► noun

- An enclosure just big enough to accommodate one standing person, e.g. *This is a telephone booth; These are voting booths.*



## plough

► noun

1. A device pulled through the ground in order to break it open for planting, e.g. *We have a bull who pulls the plough for us.*
2. A tractor used to make holes in the ground, e.g. *We have a big farm so we use a mechanical plough.*

► verb

To use a plough on to prepare for planting, e.g. *The bull is ploughing the field; Some days I have to plough the feild from sunrise to sunset.*

**plow** (US) Alternative spelling of '**plough**'.

## poor

### ► adjective

1. Having little money, e.g. *We were so poor that we couldn't afford shoes.*
2. Of low quality, e.g. *That was a poor performance; He is a poor singer.*
3. Pitiful, e.g. *Oh you poor little thing! You hurt your knee, poor baby.*

### ► Collective noun

- [used with 'the'] The group of people who have little money, e.g. *We should do something to help the poor.*

## work

### ► noun

1. (uncountable) Employment,

occupation, job, e.g. *My work involves a lot of travel; He hasn't come home yet, he's still at work.*

2. (uncountable) Effort, e.g. *Holding a brick over your head is hard work; It takes a lot of work to write a dictionary; Is this your work? Is your work complete? Do you have any work to do today?*

### ► verb (**work, working, worked**)

1. The tasks done for employment, e.g. *He works in a bar; Where do you work? You are always working, you never take a break.*



WORK IN PROGRESS

## working

### ► adjective

- Functioning, e.g. *My phone is not working, can I borrow your phone?*

## word

### ► noun

1. A group of letters with a particular meaning, e.g. *There are seven words in this sentence.*
2. A promise; an oath or guarantee, e.g. *I give you my word that I will be there on time.*
3. A brief discussion or conversation, e.g. *Can I have a word with you?*

### ► verb (**word, worded**)

- To put words in order so that they sound good, e.g. *I'm not sure how to word this letter to the council; If you word the question 'What do you think you're doing?' then of course I will get angry. It would be better to word it, 'Excuse me, what are you doing?'*



**worm**

## ► noun

1. An animal that lives underground and has no eyes, *e.g. Worms help to plough the soil because they make holes in the ground when they move from one place to another.*

**worth**

## ► adjective

1. Having a value of...*e.g. My house is worth double what I paid for it two years ago; How much is your motorbike worth?*
2. Deserving of, *e.g. Talking to him is not worth my time; The money I get for this job makes it worth all the effort I put in.*

## ► noun

(countable) Value, *e.g. Please give me a dollar's worth of candy, please; 1 kilogram of carrots is worth Rs20.*

