

Jargon Generators

Doublespeak. Even when you have nothing to say, you will find a Jargon Generator a handy tool. No one will ever know what you're talking about and if they do, they'll (a) never admit it and (b) accept you as a decisive thinker who possesses great skill at verbalizing complex ideas. Here are three examples of "officialese."

*The person who uses a lot of big words is not trying to inform you;
he's trying to impress you.*

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Of Unknown Origin

Take any three-digit number and apply each digit to the corresponding column. Thus, the number 641 will give you "responsive reciprocal outputs," an impressive and erudite phrase that can be applied to almost any situation requiring you to sound like you know what you're talking about.

1. Integrated	1. management	1. outputs
2. Total	2. organizational	2. flexibility
3. Systematized	3. monitored	3. analysis
4. Parallel	4. reciprocal	4. nobility
5. Functional	5. logistical	5. factors
6. Responsive	6. transitional	6. concept
7. Synchronized	7. modular	7. capability
8. Compatible	8. creative	8. guidelines
9. Heuristic	9. digital	9. hardware
10. Futuristic	10. policy	10. projections
11. Optional	11. incremental	11. scenarios
12. Balanced	12. operational	12. contingencies

Educational Jargon Phrase Indicator

Three columns, nouns in column three and other words in columns one and two. To use the Indicator, select at random one word from the first lists, one from the second, and one from the third. You can produce as many phrases as you need.

1	2	3
perceptual	maturation	concept
professional	guidance	process
environmental	creative	articulation
instructional	relationship	philosophy
homogeneous	motoric	activity
developmental	culture	resource
sequential	orientation	curriculum
individualized	cognitive	approach
exceptional	accelerated	adjustment
socialized	motivation	interface

Taken from Peters and Hull, *The Peter Prescription; How to Make Things Go Right*. Bantam, 1973

Administration Jargon Phrase Indicator

And, one more - same rules.

1	2	3
interdependent	involvement	objectives
compatible	motivation	utilization
incremental	effectiveness	capacity
optimized	integration	management
optional	transitional	options
quality	digital	contingency
synchronized	organizational	mobility
responsive	monitored	transition
total	integrated	projection
systematized	reciprocal	capability

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