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Too Many F*cks

The English language, bombarded with as many expletives as there are rules against how and where to use them. We've reached the turning point in our society where the "implied rules" have become drastically less enforced; the cause of which being the desensitization of us to things that we once considered vulgarities. To celebrate this fact, i've devised a list of the most common overused expletive expressions. I think you'll agree that despite the simple simplicity of these phrases, and our new ability to use them virtually unchecked, it's getting a bit out of hand.

1. "God Dammit"/"Dammit"

Starting off small — with one of my personal favorites — a way to express pretty much every emotion currently known to man. It being this way has given people some versatility with it which has led to what some would call borderline abuse of the phrase, but what I would call a free pass to say it whenever the hell you want.

2. “Shit”

Easy and fun, an expression used either when making small mistakes that don't even really matter or ending up in situations that resemble the literal; regardless of the situation it seems either to be said with enough frivolousness that the pope would turn a blind eye or with such unrealistic intensity that it can be mistaken for the cries of someone who had just fallen on a bed of freshly sharpened razor blades. Personally I like to use it in the former whenever I do something stupid — which seems to be increasingly often.

3. “Asshole”

Like most others it's commonly used for people who — similar to actual assholes — are pouring out massive loads of shit, or alternatively used for inanimate objects that've done you harm in any way, be it a door that slams in your face or more often a table, chair, desk, or wall that stubbed your damn toe. It's also completely normal in these circumstances to smash said object, regardless of how much additional pain this causes you.

4. “Dick”

Generally a person whose actions are similar to those of a phallus. More accurately someone who causes you discomfort in any way. Also one of my favorite words to describe myself with — I find that I am the source of most of my problems and discomforts. Like most of these phrases it can just be fun to say every once in awhile if for no other reason than you feel like it.

5. “Son of a Bitch”

Commonly, but not always. aimed at a specific person or living being; usually used when you’ve realized that someone has completely and thoroughly “f*cked you over” (meaning that they’ve done something resulting in your inconvenience) less commonly used when you’re in pain, when you’re frustrated, or when addressing your dog.

6. “Bitch”

Aimed at a person — particularly a woman, but not always — who has caused you some sort of discomfort or harm, similar to “son of a bitch,” or “Dick,” it has many practical uses such as yelling it at your friend, yelling it at your — soon to be — ex girlfriend, or for all you bratty little shits, yelling it at your own god damn mother. This too can be used to call your dog.

7. “What the Hell”/“What the Shit”/“What the F*ck”

You’d think it’d be a question if it weren’t so often used in such an agonizing state of shock. Of course it could be a literal question but more likely the speaker has either just witnessed something completely bewildering or is in a state of total and complete horror for whatever reason. Although it could be used for when you enter a situation for no other reason than that you’re extremely bored or just couldn’t care less.

8. “F*ck”

This phrase will appear a lot in this list because there are so many

variations of how you can use it, but for this I'll just be going into using the word alone. Pretty much meaning the same thing as "god dammit," "f*ck" is a severely less desensitized version of expressing emotion — this is exemplified by the fact that I have to censor it. That being said it's advisable to censor this more in conversation; it's advisable for use only when alone or with strangers or friends.

9. "F*ck Off"

Stemming from the classical "f*ck," an expression used in times of great — or rather minor — frustration towards people or objects that have annoyed you to the full extent of your patients; it should be said, however, that if you start screaming "f*ck off" at inanimate objects you might start to catch some sideways glances from concerned strangers.

10. "Mother F*cker"

My mother's personal favorite — which now that I think about it is probably the reason why I'm so numb to all this — it's usually pointed or aimed at people or things that cause you anything from unbearable pain to minor inconveniences. This phrase may be overused but that doesn't mean society is ready to hear small children calling everything from trees to their parents "mother f*ckers;" In an effort to prevent this reality, society has graciously given children a full four years to get that out of their systems — as well as all other exclamatory statements containing the word "f*ck" — they've named this program middle school so that parents feel safe sending their children to a place where they're

free to be “assholes” practically unsupervised under the false pretense of education.

As fun as these annoying additions to our daily diction have been, it's getting to be an excuse for the dumbest members of society — teenagers — to not expand their god damn vocabularies. This is unacceptable. While these expressions share a particular level of intensity, and definitely have a big part in our society, it's probably best if eleven year olds learn how to talk like normal human beings before they start inserting every variation of the word “f*ck” imaginable into every f*cking sentence.