

SOUTH AFRICAN TERMS & EXPRESSIONS FOR FORGET THE LIES

- AG – AN EPRESSTION USED WIHEN CONSIDERING SOMETHING (AFRIKAANS)
 AT/AY – EXPRESSTION OF DTSGUST OR INDIGNATTON (AFRIKAANS/ENGLISH)
 ANGAZT – I DON’T KNOW (ZULU)
 ARME OUKIE – POOR GUY (AFRIKAANS)
 BAAS – BOSS (USED BY THE AFRICANS WIHEN ADDRESSING A WHITE MAN)
 BAKKIE – PICK-UP TRUCK (SOUTH AFRICAN SLANG) / SMALL BOWL (AFRIKAANS)
 BILTONG – SPICED, DRIED MEAT, OFTEN BEEF OR GAME
 BOET – BROTHER (AFRIKAANS)
 BRAAI – NOUN. APPARATUS USED TO HOLD THE COALS AND BRAAI THE MEAT ON
 BRAAT – VERB. TO GRILL OR ROAST MEAT OVER OPEN COALS
 BUSHVELD – SUBTROPICAL WOODLAND ECO REGION OF SOUTHERN AFRIKA
 COZZIE – SWIMMING COSTUME, SWIMSUIT
 DANKIE – THANK YOU (AFRIKAANS)
 DOF – STUPID (AFRIKAANS SLANG)
 EK KOM – I’M COMING (AFRIKAANS)
 FLIPPEN / FLIP / FLIP IT – EXPRESSTION OF ANGER OR SHOCK, ALSO FLIPPEN HECK!
 FOR PETE’S SAKE – EXPRESSTION OF SHOCK SIMILAR TO FOR HEAVEN’S SAKE!
 HEEBIE-JEEBIES – THE CREEPS, AN UNEASY FEELING
 ILALA NATHI – STAY WITH US (ZULU)
 HOWZET – HELLO (SOUTH AFRICAN SLANG)
 HUW – EXPRESSTION OF SHOCK (ZULU)
 JA – YES (AFRIKAANS)
 JABONGA – THANK YOU (ZULU)
 JALOPE – OLD, BATTERED UP CAR
 JINNE – EXPRESSTION OF SHOCK (AFRIKAANS)
 JISLAATK / JISLAATK IT – EXPRESSTION OF SHOCK (AFRIKAANS)
 JUST NOW – A SHORT PERIOD OF TIME (SOUTH AFRICAN SLANG)
 KILAYA – HOME (ZULU)
 LUS – IN THE MOOD FOR, CRAVING (AFRIKAANS)
 MA – MOTHER (AFRIKAANS)
 MATRIC – FINAL YEAR OF HIGH SCHOOL
 MEISIE / MEISIEKIND – GIRL (AFRIKAANS)
 MOOTMAAK – SOUTH AFRICAN MAKE-OVER TV SHOW
 NE? – HEY? (AFRIKAANS)
 NEE – NO (AFRIKAANS)
 NEE DANKIE – NO THANK YOU (AFRIKAANS)
 NOW NOW – A SORT PERIOD OF TIME, SHORTER THAN ‘JUST NOW’ (SLANG)
 OU – OLD (AFRIKAANS)
 OU/OUKIE/OUK – GUY, BLOKE (AFRIKAANS)
 PA – FATHER (AFRIKAANS)
 PUT FOOT – PUT YOUR FOOT DOWN ON THE ACCELERATOR, DRIVE FAST
 RONDVEL – ROUND RURAL OUTHOUSE WITH A THATCHED ROOF
 ROOTBOS – REDBUSH TEA, HERBAL TEA GROWN IN SOUTH AFRICA
 RUSK – LARGE SOUTH AFRICAN DUNKING BISCUIT
 SCABENGA – HOODLIGAN, BAD GUY (ZULU SLANG)
 SHABEEN – TOWNSHIP DRINKING SPOT
 SHOT – THANK YOU
 SHWESHIWE – TRADITIONAL PRINTED COTTON FABRIC CHARACTERISED BY INTRICATE GEOMETRIC PATTERNS
 SESS /SIES – EXPRESSTION OF DTSGUST (AFRIKAANS)/(ENGLISH)
 SKEDONK – BATTERED UP OLD CAR (SOUTH AFRICAN SLANG)
 SLOPS – FLIP-FLOPS, OPEN BEACH SANDALS
 TAKKIES – TRATNERS, SNEAKERS (SOUTH AFRICAN SLANG)
 TANNIE – AUNTY (AFRIKAANS)
 UMKHULU – GRANDFATHER (ZULU)
 VERSTAAN – UNDERSTAND (AFRIKAANS)
 VOETSAK – RUDE WORD FOR ‘GET LOST’ (AFRIKAANS SLANG)
 WOSA – COME (ZULU)
 YEBO – YES (ZULU)