

**~ A Tongue-In-Cheek Glossary ~**  
**Terms Sometimes Used To Describe Items For Sale**

a brief compilation by Walt Vogdes



Following are some of the terms which have recently come into widespread use in describing steins for sale. The definitions are offered with tongue-in-cheek, and we hope they give you a chuckle.

<b>Old</b> <b>Very old</b> <b>Old, old</b>	These terms actually have multiple meanings: My father brought it back from Germany Dusty and dirty I can't remember when I bought it Sticky label on the bottom finally fell off It's always been in my family Marked Western Germany (pre-reunification)
<b>Early</b>	Best viewed before you've had your coffee
<b>18th century</b>	Has a 4-digit form number starting with 17
<b>Beautiful</b>	Bold, brilliant colors (one step away from fluorescent)
<b>Pretty</b>	Painted with an impressionist touch, best viewed from a distance
<b>Fantastic</b> <b>Wow!</b> <b>Unbelievable</b> <b>Breathtaking!</b>	The primary meaning of these terms is "Won't someone please bid on this thing?" The last two terms, "unbelievable" and "breathtaking", actually retain some of their standard dictionary meaning.
<b>Unique</b>	I can't explain it Unusual I've only got two of them
<b>Unusual</b>	A Christmas gift from my mother-in-law Stays carefully hidden behind the hot water heater
<b>Figural</b>	I figured that would catch your eye.
<b>Puter</b> <b>Pueter</b>	Pewter
<b>Silver</b>	Polished pewter
<b>Gesetzlich</b> <b>Geschutzt</b>	The second most desirable stein manufacturer (after Mattlock)
<b>Stein</b>	...or maybe it's a mug Has handle, lid and spout Gertrude
<b>German</b>	Even though marked "Made in Japan"
<b>Perfect condition</b> <b>Excellent shape</b>	...for as old as it is Hairline on inside, very little light comes through Base chips don't show when displayed

Simple repair to reattach the lid  
Super glue is invisible except under a magnifying glass