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# Etymology 8!

Westward Ho! New English Words from the New World

## A weekend seminar in English Etymology

Presented by  Author **Gina Cooke**

with ONLINE ETYMOLOGY DICTIONARY Author **Douglas Harper**

**Fri~Sat~Sun, April 3~4~5, 2020** 8:30am Registration 9:00am~3:30pm Seminar

*Venue* 8600

8600 East Anderson Drive Scottsdale, Arizona 85255

English may have been born in England, but it's traveled the world over, indebted itself to other languages, and settled in multiple homes. In North America, it's been influenced by Spanish (*canyon, rodeo*), Acadian French (*Mardi Gras, Cajun*), and Portuguese (*indigo, marmalade*), and punctuated by gems from African languages polished through Romance tumblers (*gumbo, voodoo, banana*). But it is the unfathomably varied indigenous New World tongues that have contributed most to the North American English lexicon, from Nahuatl to Ojibwa, Navajo to Carib, and everywhere in-between. This Eighth! annual Etymology weekend is a tribute to these New World words, especially as English made its way West. So saddle up with Douglas Harper and Gina Cooke for a wild ride through the history of American English and a study of its hoofprints on English spelling. Place names, animal names, plant names, natural phenomena: everything *new* in the *New World* needed a *new* word.

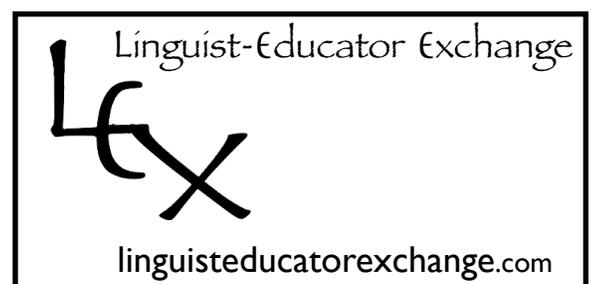
Join us in the Arizona Territory as we investigate the etymological effects on English spelling and explore indigenous influences in the Online Etymological Dictionary. Deepen your understanding of the many common English words that are not Germanic, Latin, or Greek, but uniquely American.

Since our first collaborative Etymology weekend seminar in 2013, our work individually and together has continued to grow; preparations are underway for our second once-in-a-lifetime study trip to France, summer 2020. The reach and impact of the Online Etymology Dictionary is unparalleled around the world, and our community of orthographic scholars continues to demonstrate the benefits from our joint work. **Enjoy an introductory session on Friday, the main theme on Saturday & Sunday, or all three days!**

Gina Cooke is the principal of LEX and is ABD in English Studies. Douglas Harper is a historian, author, journalist, and lecturer who is solely responsible for the research and authorship of the Online Etymology Dictionary. Each brings a unique and revealing perspective to the study of our spellbinding language and its rootin'-tootin' history. **Register online.**



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April 3~5, 2020

Gina Cooke & Douglas Harper

Scottsdale, AZ

## Participants in the Seminar will

- ◆ (re)encounter the scientific and historical field of etymology
- ◆ (re)consider how the Dictionary works, including recent changes
- ◆ understand the historical events that shaped American English
- ◆ identify unique spelling patterns in Native American English words
- ◆ see worked examples of orthographic evolution
- ◆ understand the histories and relationships between graphemes
- ◆ investigate relationships between spoken and written words
- ◆ ask questions and investigate specific word histories and families
- ◆ discern how morphology, etymology, and phonology intersect

### Daily Schedule

8:30: Registration & Check-In  
9:00-11:30: Seminar  
11:30-12:30: Lunch (included, on-site)  
12:30-2:30: Seminar  
2:30-3:00: Q&A, Wrap-Up

## Materials

- ◆ handouts, including product samples and hands-on activities, will be downloadable just prior to the seminar
- ◆ additional materials, while not required, will be available for purchase
- ◆ access film and photo resources after the seminar

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*Registration will be confirmed via email. ~ Please email for information about teacher cohort discounts.*

### **Etymology VIII! Westward Ho! New English Words from the New World**

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