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**Phenomenal: The Small
Book of Big Words**

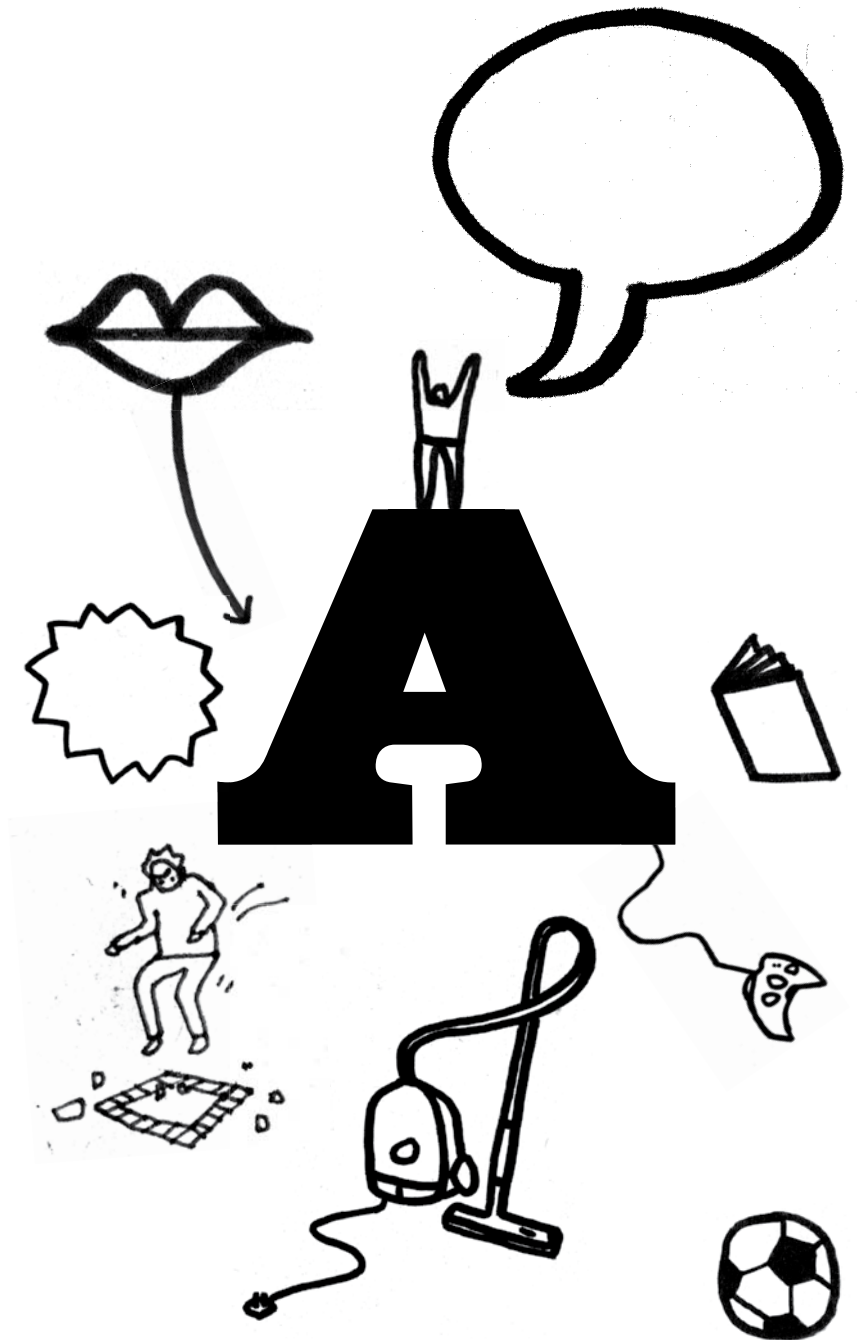
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ABASHED

Pronounced ~
uh-bashed

Means ~
embarrassed,
uncomfortable.

As in ~
He was abashed
to find himself
naked in the middle
of assembly, but
euphoric* to discover
that it was all just a
dream.



And ~
I'm abashed when
my mum complains
that there's no
toilet paper in the
restaurant.**

A bit like ~
ashamed, mortified.



**Nothing to
do with ~**
being bashed.***

The opposite of ~
unabashed.

**If you like this
word, try ~**
abated.

*Thrilled, ecstatic.

**Toilet paper in the *toilets* – not the actual restaurant.

Battered.*

****Battered as in *hit* – not as in *fish*.

ABERRATION



fart cloud

Means ~

a departure from what is considered normal or acceptable.

As in ~

In a moment of aberration Grandpa got up from the table and set fire to a fart.*

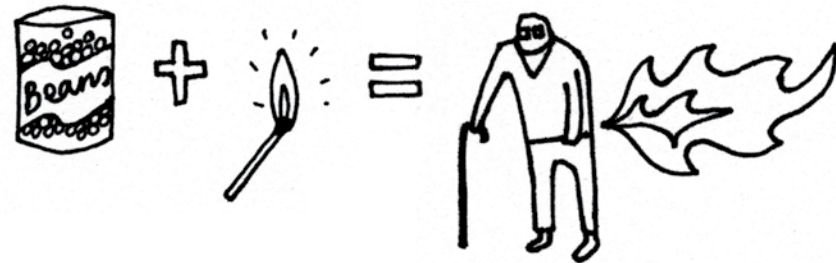
And ~

Tidying his room the first time he was asked was a one-off aberration.

A bit like ~

deviation, anomaly.

Nothing like ~
an Abba tribute act.**



Don't confuse with ~
Aberystwyth.***

*One of his *own* farts – not someone else's.****

**Swedish pop group. Big in the 1970s. Ask your gran.

***A small town in Wales.

****Don't try this at home kids*****

*****Wait till you're out.*****

*****I'm kidding. Don't try it *anywhere*. Trust me!