

Events of 2012 – Glossary

boxing noun [uncountable]

a sport in which two boxers fight by hitting each other while wearing large leather boxing gloves on their hands. They fight in a square area with ropes around it, called a *boxing ring*.

bring out phrasal verb [transitive]

to produce a new product and start to sell it

She is bringing out an eagerly awaited solo album next month.

clip noun [countable]

a short part of a film, television programme or news story that is shown separately

They showed a clip of Robbie Williams being interviewed.

election noun [countable]

an occasion when people vote for someone to represent them, especially in a government

Only about 20% of the people voted in the local government elections.

jubilee noun [countable]

a big celebration for a special occasion, especially an anniversary

a parade for the nation's silver jubilee

land verb [intransitive]

to come down to the ground or to a surface after moving or falling through the air

The hawk landed on a fence post near the road.

medal noun [countable]

a small flat piece of metal that you are given for winning a competition or doing something very brave

She won a silver medal in swimming.

parachute noun [countable]

a large piece of cloth joined to heavy strings, used by someone jumping out of a plane

presidential adjective [only before noun]
relating to a president

a presidential

election/campaign/candidate

rapper noun [countable]

someone who performs rap music

role noun [countable]

the character played by a particular actor in a film, play etc

The leading role should have gone to a more well-known star.

skydive noun [countable]

jumping out of a plane and falling for as long as possible before opening your parachute. Someone who does this is a *skydiver*.

throne noun [countable]

the position of being a king or queen

an heir to the throne

worldwide adjective, adverb

happening or existing all over the world

Our company employs 1,500 staff worldwide.