

## A couple of words

This is a frivolous post.

Yesterday I was working with a colleague on a poster presentation and I used the word [\*nascent\*](#). He didn't know it, but he does now.

Later I [blogged over on the AANRO blog](#) and used the word [\*maven\*](#) to describe Neil Godfrey and a couple of people in the office didn't know that word.

Strangely, the wikipedia page contains the word *nascent*.

Which reminded me of the time I was working as a tech writer. I put the word *extensible* in my CV, but the agent I was working for said “that's not a proper word” and made me take it out. Subsequently I went on to make my fortune doing [XML](#).