

## Funny Texas Slang Book Writing Sample

### Chapter 16: The Best

"Some folks look at me and see a certain swagger, which in Texas is called walking." - George W. Bush

"In Texas, there is a certain honor of being Texan that is doing something the best that you can." -Matthew McConaughey

Texans are known for their sense of pride in their home state. They embrace their unique cultural heritage and display a deep love and devotion to the Lonestar State! If you want to blend in with a Texan crowd, you need to understand their admiration for cowboy and Western heritage, their vibrant music scene, their iconic Tex-Mex cuisine, and their deep-rooted traditions like rodeos and football. After all, all Texans know the unofficial slogan of the Lonestar state: "Don't mess with Texas!"

*<Insert image of a man with a large cowboy hat, posing for photographers. He has a proud look on his face.>*

So, what better way to communicate with a Texan than showering them with compliments? This might seem like overdoing it, but the best way to a person's heart is through flattery.

You might want to start off by saying, "You're as warm as a Texas summer breeze" or "you're sharper than a Texas cattleman's knife". These phrases will let a person know you think

of them in a positive way. Show them that you think they are friendly and smart with a Texan twist!

But, what if the person you're talking to isn't exactly bright or kind? Are you nervous that the person you're addressing isn't the sharpest tool in the box or the sweetest berry in the garden? Well, you're in luck! A true Texan can easily switch to making a quirky comparison about a person's appearance. Try saying, "You're as pretty as a Texas sunset" and use the beautiful homeland to save your conversation!

*<Insert image of a person looking through flashcards, clearly trying to make conversation with a woman wearing a stereotypical Southern bell dress. The person with the flashcards looks nervous and is dropping a few on the ground. We can see that the flashcards are printed with words like 'darlin', 'sweetheart', and 'mighty fine'.>*

So, now that you have a person's attention, how do you keep your Texan conversation going? Try throwing in some beloved Texan terms of endearment. "Darlin'" is a word used to show affection and can be used to address anyone from family members to strangers. "Sweetheart" is another excellent option that can be used in the same way. You might even consider using "mighty fine" as a compliment if someone looks high quality.

The next time that you find yourself talking to a Texan, remember that flattery is the key to every heart. Embracing these mighty fine expressions will help you build a sense of connection and belonging within the rich cultural fabric of Texas. So embrace the Lone Star spirit, sprinkle those compliments like confetti, and watch as smiles light up faces faster than a jalapeño popper at a Texas BBQ!

## Chapter 17: The Worst

"Ya'll can go to hell, and I will go to Texas" -Davy Crockett

Although Texans have a great sense of pride in their home state, it's not always peaches and roses! If you are going to talk like a *real* Texan, you have to be prepared for the negatives along with the positives. What will you say when you are battling the extreme heat, talking to fans of a rival football team, or witnessing a Rodeo mishap? Or, *dang nabbit!* What will you yell at the car in front of you when you are caught in a Houston traffic jam?

*<Insert image of a cowboy on his horse. The horse's head is down as it grazes on some grass. Behind them is a stopped car. A man is leaning out the window with an angry expression, shaking his fist in the air. There is a speech bubble coming from his mouth, but it only has a fill-in-the-blank space. For example: "\_\_\_\_\_!?!">*

So, where do begin? We must start by learning some true Texan curses. After all, you don't want someone saying that you are "All hat, no cattle." This means that you can't pretend to talk like a Texan without throwing in some true Southern swears.


*<The following paragraph could be written as though someone is reading it from their smartphone screen:>*

*In a recent survey, it turns out that our good ol' Texans have a knack for colorful language that would make a sailor blush! It's been discovered that our fine folks from the Lone Star State drop about 35 expletives per 1000 Tweets. Yeehaw! Looks like they've secured a top*

*spot on the "Swear-O-Meter." Those Texan tongues sure know how to fire off some verbal ammunition! They're not afraid to let those cuss words fly like bullets at high noon. So, if you ever find yourself in the land of the lone star, don't be shocked if you hear a few choice words that'll make your ears turn red!*

If you want to talk like a true Texan, you'll want to learn some of these words for yourself. One way to start is by using your sympathetic phrase, "Bless your Heart!" With this phrase, you can speak condescendingly to someone from your high horse.

If that isn't enough, try calling someone a "Galoot!" This term refers to someone who is clumsy or foolish. Don't forget to shout out the classic, "Howdy-Damn" when you are surprised about something. "Varmit" is another common term, referring to a mischievous and troublesome person. Whatever you do, don't refer to a Texan as a "Yankee"! Although it might sound playful, a Texan might see it as derogatory and pejorative.

<Insert image of a map of Texas, with a curse-word speech bubble icon (  ) marking the following cities: Dallas, Fort Worth, and Austin>

Can you believe it? Three Texas cities have claimed their spot on the list of top swearing cities in the country. Preply, a language learning company, surveyed over 1,500 folks from 30 major U.S. cities to uncover this shocking truth. Looks like we Texans ain't afraid to let a few choice words fly outta our mouths. So, next time you find yourself in the land of friendly curses and colorful language, just remember, it's all part of the Texas charm, partner!

The more Texas insults that you add into your vocabulary, the more you will be able to understand Texas slang. Get ready, 'cause before you know it, you'll be "slicker than a greased pig"- smooth as can be, and folks will think you're a true Texan through and through!

*<Insert image of a man looking at his computer screen. He has his hands over his ears as a variety of Texas swear words swirl around his head.>*

And that wraps up our hilarious journey through the wild world of Texas slang curse words! We've explored the colorful vocabulary that can leave even the boldest cowboys blushing. Remember, folks, while these words might tickle your funny bone, it's always best to use 'em in good fun and steer clear of offending anyone. So next time you're hankerin' for a good laugh or need to add some spice to your Texas twang, just sprinkle in a dash of these playful expletives. Happy cussin' with a Texas twist, y'all!

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