# Word of the Day - Ablute

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Word of the Day... not actually daily, but whenever I encounter one I think worth sharing and there are not too many on my landing page. Words have always fascinated me, and I am a fan of all types of word play, especially puns. I have a hard time not looking up a word that I am unfamiliar with or not sure of the definition. I like those authors that stretch me by throwing in unexpected terms.

## • Verb: Ablute

1. abluted; abluting; ablutes chiefly British: to wash one's body : to perform one's ablutions : bathe

## • Synonyms:

- 1. bath
- 2. cleansing
- 3. decontamination
- 4. lavation
- 5. purification
- 6. shower

#### • Usage:

1. "Like the orientation of toilet paper, shower times are surprisingly divisive. One group swears you need a morning shower to make the most of your day. The evening team, on the other hand, holds that anyone who doesn't wash before bed is a grimy heathen whose sheets are besmirched by filth. Some people – compromisers – suggest you can get the best of both worlds by **abluting** twice a day."

### • Encountered:

1. While reading the fluff piece: There is a perfect time to shower – and it's not when you think in The Guardian

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