Philly Vocab STUDY GUIDE

Bul

A slang term that can refer to any person, but usually signifies a male.

Citywide

If you're headed into the city for a happy hour and are on a budget, ask for a Citywide. It includes a beer and a shot combo (usually a PBR and Jim Beam) for \$5. Philly Buls ballin' on a budget.

Go Birds

Philadelphia's version of 'Aloha'. Can be used in various scenarios, like rolling up to a tailgate at the Linc, or to bid a fond farewell.

Hoagie

Other cities call this a submarine sandwich or a hero. But in Philly, we call it a hoagie.

Jabroni

Meaning lame. Someone who talks the talk, but can't walk the walk.

Jawn

What is a jawn? The better question is what it isn't. Jawn can refer to pretty much anything, from an inanimate object, event, location, or nondescript person (see also Bul).

Jeet?

A quicker way to ask, "Did you eat?"

Reading Terminal Market [pronounced Red-ing]

Located just across the street from the Pennsylvania Convention Center, Reading Terminal Market is a famous indoor farmers market established in 1893. The market offers diverse culinary treats from a myriad of small businesses in a uniquely Philly atmosphere.

Wawa

It's not just a convenience store/gas station — Wawa is considered a fine eatery in Philadelphia. If you want to try an authentic Philly hoagie, stop at a Wawa. (The coffee is bomb, too.)

Wooder Ice

Non-locals pronounce it "water ice" or "Italian ice" — which is shaved ice with more flavors than you can imagine. Stop by John's on Christian Street for a taste of Philly wooder ice.

Wiz Wit/Without

You can't come to Philly without trying a famous cheesesteak. But you have to know how to order one. A classic Philly is smothered in Cheese Whiz, with or without onions. When you step up to the counter, simply ask for a wiz wit (onions), or wiz without. Check out our Love Philly picks for our recommendations for the best Philly cheesesteak.

Youse

A slang term for 'you' or 'you all'. "Did youse guys watch the Phillies game?"

