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McKelway) 6: to splash (someone or something) with liquid (workmen are ~ing down the open-air-cafe floors with water—Irwin Shaw). 2: to pour hastily or clumsily (was ~ing out the drinks behind the counter—Bruce Marshall) 3: to gulp down; GUZZLE, SWILL (the beer drinker would have to ~down more than three quarts in less than three hours—News-week) 4 Brit: BASH, PUNCH, SLAM, STRIKE (you can't very well ~a child—P.G. Wodehouse)
sloshy \shē,shi\ adj -ER-EST: SLUSHY
Slot \'shill, sus—id-d+V\n -s (ME, fr. MD; akin to OFris & ON slot lock, bolt, OHG sloz lock, bolt, sllozan to lock, close—more at CLOSE 11 dial Eng: a bolt or bar for fastening a door 2 dial Eng: SLAT
Slot \'\n -s [ME, fr. MF esclot] 1 chiefly Scot: a hollow or depression; specif: the hollow running down the middle of the breast 2 a: a long and narrow opening or groove: SLIT, NOTCH (deliver mail through a ~ in a door) (the musket ~s in the fort's hand-hewn walls—J.H.Cutler) (information is coded by cutting ~s between adjacent vertical perforations—H.C. Zeisig & P.T.Martin) (spanner wrenches are made with one or two pins to fit into the holes or ~s of nuts, collars, sealing rings—T.G. Thompson & R.A. Peterson) (a coin ~ in a vending machine) b: a narrow passage, enclosure, or space (a ~ between islands) (they sat close together . . . in their ~ between the stacked, rattling ration boxes—Fred Majdalany); a small open compartment: PIGEONHOLE C: a passage of spanwise extent through an airplane wing located usu. near the leading edge and formed between a main and an auxiliary airfoil for improving the flow conditions over the wing at high angles of attack and thus increasing lift and delaying the stalling of the wing 3: a depression in the surface of an armature or stator of a dynamo-electric machine into which a portion of the winding is placed 4 a: a place or a position in an organization, series, sequence, list, or program; Niche (athlietes for athletic ~s on college teams—A.E.Lumley) (the chairman's ~) (the runame was switched to the "contributing editor

the stock  $|s_s| < vt$ ; to cut out (as a slot) with a traverse drill slote or sloat slot  $|v_s| < v_t$ . The slote, slote bolt, bar, crossbar, fr. MD sloot, slot slot — more at SLOT (bolt)]; any of several former devices for moving persons or scenery above or below

fr. MD sloot, slot slot — more at slor (bolt)]: any of several former devices for moving persons or scenery above or below a theater stage sloth \(^\sloth\) sloth, \(^\sloth\) sometimes \(^\sloth\). \(^\sloth\) sloth, \(^\sloth\) sometimes \(^\sloth\). \(^\sloth\) for sense \(^\sloth\), \(^\sloth\) sloths \(^\sloth\). \(^\sloth\) for sense \(^\sloth\), \(^\sloth\) sloths \(^\sloth\). \(^\sloth\) sloths \(^\sloth\), \(^\sloth\) sloths \(^\sloth\), \(^\sloth\), \(^\sloth\) slow \(^\sloth\) sloths \(^\sloth\), \(^\sloth\),

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3slouch \"\vb-ED/-ING/-ES vi ]
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over to the telephone —S.H.Ac
—J.P.Marquand) (some of the
ohim —Vincent McHugh) 2: tc
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or droop (~ the hat over the e
ing manner (~ed his way along
to stoop (his head drooped for
down —O.E.Rölvang)
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(modern man is an inveterate ~
—Time)
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dressed) slouch-i-ness \-chēnas, -chin-\

slot '4slot \'\n, pl slot [MF esclot horse's hoofprint, track, prob. of Scand origin; akin to ON sloth track] 1: the track of an animal (as a deer) 2: TRAIL '5slot \'\'\v!: to follow the trail of: TRACK slot bark graft n: a modified bark graft in which a wedges shaped scion is inserted under a loosened tongue of bark on the stock

being slouchy

slouching ad Ifr. pres. part. of slouch (a tall but ~ figure st. Burke) — slouch ing 19 adv slouch (a tall but ~ figure st. Burke) — slouch ing 19 adv slouch (b) slouch direct or posture: \$1.000 km / figure st. Burke) — slouch ing 19 adv slouch (c) slouch direct or slouch (c) slouch direct or slough (slid) slow be direct many a constrained, ~, shabby look thearn) 2: inefficient because slough (slid), slau sometimes: \$1.00 km / figure st. \$1.00

brownish muzzle, a white V-shaped mark on the breast, a long snout, and very mobile tongue and lips, that differs from ordinary bears in having very small molars and 4 instead of 6 upper incisors, and that feeds on fruit, insects, and honey sloth-full \-thfol\ adj [ME sloutheful, fr. slouthe sloth + -ful] : addicted to sloth: INACTIVE, SLUGGISH, INDOLENT (not ~ anguish, is what you now require, but effort —Nathaniel Hawthorne) (municipal government was corrupt and ~ —H.A.Sinclair) syn see LAZY sloth-ful-ly \-fals. \-i\| adv : in a slothful manner sloth-ful-ness \-folnos\ n -ES: the quality or state of being slothful (that dim ~ of the spirit which a great sorrow ... will bring —Mary Webb) sloth monkey n: LORIS slot-lip aileron n: a combination of an aileron and a slot in which a small hinged flap controls the opening and closing of the slot

the slot slot machine n 1: a machine (as a vending machine) whose operation is started by dropping a coin into a slot 2: a coinsoperated gambling machine that pays off according to the matching of symbols on wheels spun by a handle — called also one-armed bandit slot man n: a newspaper editor responsible for the layout of news items slots pl of SLOT, pres 3d sing of SLOT slot seam n: a seam with a decorative slit formed by bringing two folds together and stitching them onto

and tangle (yarn ~s) — usu, use off: throw off: ease off (~ de are supported by soft tissue on been ~ed — E.C. Stafne) (a nake off his thighs — Douglas Newtoi tageous, outworn, or excrescent Robinson) — usu, used with overbiage — P.D. Leedy) (the tend many of its former crude and ung Storey) (author has ~ed off momentalities — Times Lit. Supp.) (religion by ~ing off most of the lore associated with it — P.L. H waste away by forming a slough visil var of St. UB \*slough Visila slot seam n; a seam with a decorative slit formed by bringing two folds together and stitching them onto an underlying piece slot-spike \(^1 = ^1 \times ^1

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