**A Bird brain** – Negative slang that accuses a person of having a small brain and is not very smart. **Example:** He never makes a good decision. He’s such a bird brain.

**Ducks in a row –** A figure of speech that means being organized. **Example:**  I really need to look at my planner and get my ducks in a row for the coming semester.

**As the crow flies -** A figure of speech that refers to a distance directly from one place to another. (point to point) **Example -** HEB is about 2 miles away, as the crow flies.

**Opt out –** Slang that means “opting out.” A person has an option to do or not do something. **Example:** At my new job, I can accept their health care plan, or I can opt out and get my own.

**Just the other day –** An expression people use to reference something that happened in the recent past, but not on an exact day. **Example:** Just the other day, I saw Jane driving a new car.

**Cherry pick –** A slang term that means using information or opportunities that are only beneficial or helpful in supporting a person’s needs. **Example:** The politicians cherry picked results from the research project and used them to support their position. The employer cherry picked only certain people who applied for the job.

**Ways to tell a person that their zipper is down – Polite way:** Excuse me. Your zipper seems to be down. Or, your fly seems to be open.

 **Slang**  **1.** XYZ! 2. Your barn door is open. 3. Your fly is open.

**Even a blind squirrel can find a nut once in a while –** An idiom that means that even a person who is usually unsuccessful, can be successful sometimes just by chance or luck. **Example:** John usually is last in any competition, but today he won! Even a blind squirrel can find a nut once in a while.

**A deep dive –** A slang term that means exploring information very closely and completely. **Example:** The IRS did a deep dive into my finances and found out they owe me money!

**The know how –** A slang way of saying a person has knowledge about something. **Example:** We need to have Jane on the financial committee. She has the know how about that issue.

**Pull off –** A slang way to describe being successful in something. **Example:** We need to have Jane on the financial committee. She has the know how to pull off the goals we have. Also – **Pull it off** – Because she has the know how, Jane can help us pull it off.

**Been there, done that –** An expression that means a person has already experienced a certain thing. **Example:** Jane: Getting a visa is difficult! John: Yes. Been there, done that!

**Slang terms for a mustache:** a cookie duster a soup strainer a lip rug

 a caterpillar a crumb catcher ‘stache