



1950s



SLANGUAG SHEET



What's this
all about?

Talk Like a Cool Cat!



HERE ARE JUST A FEW EXAMPLES OF SLANG

Agitate the gravel: to leave quickly

Ain't that a bite: that's too bad

Antsville: a crowded place

Apple butter: smooth talk

Bake a biscuit: to record an album

Bash ears: talk too much

Beat feet: to leave, or get away fast

Big tickle: really funny

Bird dog: a person who tries to steal
someone else's girlfriend

Blanket: sandwich

Cast an eyeball: to look at something

Cheaters: eyeglasses

Circled: married

Clyde: a normal, generic way to address
someone

Come on snake, let's rattle: Said to a
woman, it's an invitation to dance. Said
to a man, it's a challenge to fight.

Daddy-O: just a generally cool dude

Dolly: a cute girl

Dream boat: a really cute guy

Fat city: a great city or place

Flip your lid: go crazy

Fuzzy duck: a female with a short haircut

Greaser: a guy who used a lot of hair
grease or a tough guy

Having a ball: having a really good time

Hip/Hipster: someone who is cool and with
the times

Knuckle sandwich: a punch in the face

Made in the shade: an easy success or an
advantage

Mickey Mouse: something silly or dumb

Nifty: great or cool

Pad: where someone lives

Paper shaker: cheerleader

Peepers: glasses

Pinky's out of jail: your slip is showing

Radioactive: very popular, a trend

Rag top: a convertible car

Real gone: head over heels in love

- Watch a 1950s teen movie and listen for slang.
- Interview someone who grew up in the '50s.
- Create a skit using only 1950s slang