



# *Where Words Come From*

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# Addition or subtraction of something

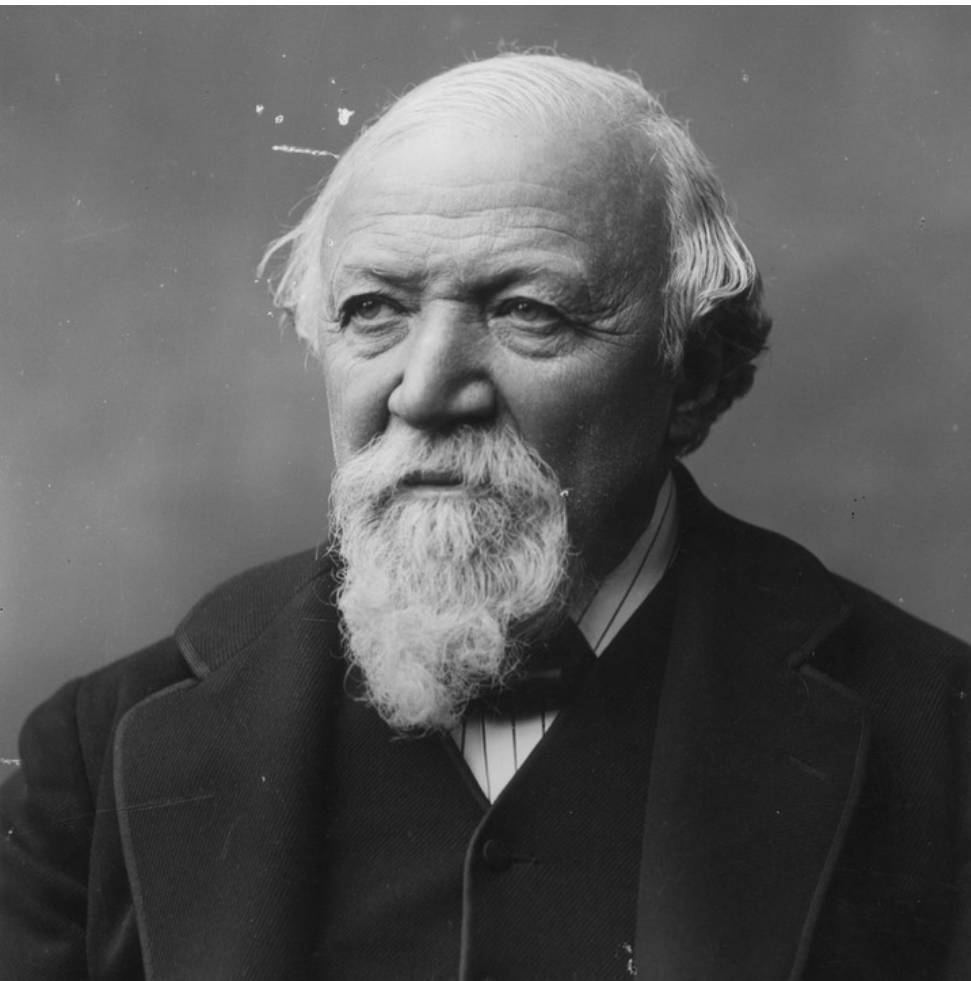
- Prefix or suffix
- Confusion
- Nonpossible or antipossible

# Addition or subtraction of something

- Negativity
  - Priceless or instance
- Fusing compounds
  - Seashore and airport

# Error

- Typographical errors
- Mishearing
  - Sweetard
- Respected user
- Robert Browning
  - Twat



# Creation

- Writers
- 1 700
- Excellent, hint, critical, ...



# Adoption

- Other Languages
  - Shampoo from India
- Maintenance
- Lending
  - Software

# Doing nothing

- Opposite
  - Politician
- Similar
  - Notorious
- More specific
  - Deer



# Gaps

- Middling terms
  - Hard and soft
- Missing forms
  - Ruthless and ruth

# Gaps

- Multiplicity of synonyms
  - Immense, massive, capacious, big, ...
- Multiple meanings
  - Fine
    - 14 as an adjective, 6 as a noun, 2 as an adverb

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