CRITICISE A NAME (otherwise: Transposing AMERICAN CITIES)

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On many occasions over the last five decades, *Word Ways* has published transposals of the names of US state capitals and a number of large US cities. But there has been no systematic attempt to find transposals for the names of **all** large cities in the US.

For this article, I have sought transposals for the names of all US cities with populations over 100,000. When I began writing this article back in 2014, according to Wikipedia, there were 289 so-called "incorporated places" in the US with populations of over 100,000. My attempts at transposing these 289 city names are in the first table below. More recently, putting the finishing touches to this article in 2018, Wikipedia said there were now another 21 US cities with populations in excess of 100,000. My transposal attempts for these additional 21 city names are in the second table below.

Here's some technical stuff about what constitutes an "incorporated place": According to the US Census Bureau, an incorporated place includes a variety of designations, including city, town, village, borough, and municipality. A few exceptional Census Designated Places (CDPs) are also included in the Census Bureau's listing of incorporated places. Consolidated city-counties represent a distinct type of government that includes the entire population of a county, or county equivalent. Some consolidated city-counties, however, include multiple incorporated places. Wikipedia's list of incorporated places presents only that portion (or balance) of such consolidated city-counties that are not a part of another incorporated place. Phew!

Rather than keep referring to "incorporated places", I shall just refer to them as cities. The 310 cities listed here are in decreasing order of population, beginning with New York and Los Angeles, and ending with Vista (California) and Woodbridge (Connecticut). After extensive searches of dictionaries and websites, I have managed to find transposals for 302 of the 310 city names. The transposals presented are a mixture of single words, names, multi-word terms, and multi-word phrases, existing in one or more dictionaries or on one or more websites. For some transposals, I have included theoretically possible constructions ending with 's (indicating a possessive form), 'II (the shortened form of will) and 've (the shortened form of have). For some city names where I couldn't find transposals, I have included the state-name abbreviation if this helps to produce a transposal (for example, Los Angeles does not have a transposal, but Los Angeles CA does have a transposal). For each city, I have shown its state; and for each transposal, I have shown a dictionary or website source, as well as a definition.

Some city names have just one transposal, and some have multiple transposals . Salem (Oregon) has the most - 32 transposals are presented here, but there are others progressively more obscure.

The first three lines in the tables below show how the details of city, state, transposal, source and definition are arranged for the 310 cities.

Rank City State

Transposal Source

Definition, explanation, notes, etc

1 New York New York

wonkery *unabridged.merriam-webster.com/unabridged/wonkery*

The quality or activities associated with being a wonk, an overly studious person

ywroken OED

Avenged, punished – an archaic past participle of the verb 'wreak'

2 Los Angeles CA California

collagenases W3

There is no transposal of 'Los Angeles', so the state abbreviation for California (CA) has been added to the city name. **Collagenases** are types of enzymes found in bacteria.

3 Chicago Illinois

Gochica tinyurl.com/chicago-transposal

The title of a song by a group called the Drums, which appeared on the album *The French*

Pop and Soul Experience, Part 1.

4 Houston Texas

hontous W2

An obsolete word meaning shameful, ashamed.

nothous W2

Spurious, illegitimate.

unshoot OED

A word meaning 'unlock'. **unshoot** appears in the OED in an illustrative quotation dating taken from the March 1858 issue of *Harper's Magazine*. At the main entry for the word "bloody" is this quotation: "Skeletons sit at every banquet; bloody secrets lie in coffers, fast

locked until Death shall unshoot the bolt."

5 Philadelphia Pennsylvania

Adelphi, Phila tinyurl.com/philadelphia-transpo

A shortened form of the address for the Adelphi Theatre in Philadelphia, using the abbreviation Phila. This exact form **Adelphi, Phila** appears on a 1913 postcard which was

being advertised for sale.

6 Phoenix Arizona

iPhone X www.apple.com

An entirely screen-based mobile phone produced by Apple

XiPhone *xiphone.org*

A website dedicated to discussion of iPhones.

7 San Antonio Texas

Antoniano's tinyurl.com/sanantonio-transposal

The possessive form of the proper name Antoniano, who could be either the Dutch scholar Giovanni Antoniano (died 1588) or the Italian cardinal Silvio Antoniano (1540–1603).

8 San Diego California

agonised Random House Dictionary

Suffered extreme pain or violent anguish.

diagnose W3

To identify (a disease or condition) by symptoms or distinguishing characteristics.

9 Dallas Texas

sallad W2

An obsolete spelling of 'sallet', a light kind of helmet, with a projection over the neck,

common in the 15th century.

10 San Jose California

Sjoasen tinyurl.com/sanjose-transposal

A place with a very small population in the state/region of Vastra Gotaland, Sweden.

11 Austin Texas

tuinas OED

In traditional Chinese medicine: types of therapeutic massage, incorporating the principles of acupressure and qigong, used to treat muscle or joint pain and other ailments.

12 Jacksonville Florida

Jankovices'll tinyurl.com/jacksonville-transposal

According to Wikipedia, there are at least three locations in the Czech Republic called Jankovice. Collectively, these could be referred to as Jankovices. Now put Jankovices into a sentence followed by 'II (the shortened form of 'will'), and you end up with something such as this: "The Czech Republic **Jankovices'II** be voting for new mayors shortly". Horrendous, I

know, but better than nothing at all!

13 Indianapolis Indiana

inlaid pianos tinyurl.com/indianapolis-transposal

Pianos with inlaid detail on the wooden cases are known as inlaid pianos. Details of

individual **inlaid pianos** for sale can be found on several websites.

14 San Francisco California

Sanco Francis tinyurl.com/sanfrancisco-transposal

A pupil who attended various high schools in Florida in the 1990s.

15 Columbus Ohio

Combulus tinyurl.com/columbus-transpo

Vitito Combulus is a named individual on Facebook. Unfortunately, there is no information

about the individual, other than a photo of a child aged about 2.

16 Fort Worth Texas

froth wort tinyurl.com/fortworth-transposal

A term which appears on several websites dedicated to the brewing of beer.

17 Charlotte North Carolina

heart clot W2
A blood clot in the heart.

18 Detroit Michigan

dottier W3

More dotty.

19 El Paso Texas

aslope W3

Sloping, slanting.

20 Memphis Tennessee

Hempism hempism.org

The name of an organization devoted to the legalization of cannabis.

21 Boston *Massachusetts*

Tobson Ordnance Survey Gazetteer of Great Britian, third edition

A village on the Island of Great Bernera, located on the west coast of the Isle of Lewis,

Western Isles, Scotland.

Seattle Washington

atelets W2

A type of sauce used for covering pieces of meat.

tsatlee W3

Rough irregular raw silk from China.

23 Denver Colorado

nerved W3

Given strength, vigor or courage to.

revend W2

To vend again.

vender W3

An alternative spelling of 'vendor', a seller.

24 Washington District of Columbia

nowanights W3

On present nights.

25 Nashville Tennessee

ill-shaven wordincontext.com/en/ill-shaven

Unshaven or not well-shaven. This appears in several pieces of text taken from fiction and nonfiction. The example here comes from *Bracebridge Hall* by Washington Irving: "This evident evasion induced me to notice the orator more particularly. He was meagre, but active in his make, with a long, pale, bilious face; a black, **ill-shaven** beard, a feverish eye, and a hat sharpened up at the sides into a most pragmatical shape. He had a newspaper in his hand, and seemed to be commenting on its contents, to the thorough conviction of mine host."

26 Baltimore Maryland

artmobile W3

A trailer that houses an art collection designed for exhibition on road tours.

Belomitra tinyurl.com/baltimore-transposal

A genus of sea snails, marine gastropod mollusks in the family Buccinidae, the true whelks.

tinyurl.com/baltimore-

Bertolami transposal-2

Orfeu **Bertolami** (born Brazil, 1959) is a theoretical physicist who works in problems of astrophysics, cosmology, general relativity and quantum gravity. He worked at Instituto Superior Técnico in Lisbon, Portugal from 1991 to 2010. He is currently professor at Departamento de Física e Astronomia of the Faculdade de Ciências da Universidade do Porto.

bromalite tinyurl.com/baltimore-

transposal-3

A **bromalite** is the fossilised remains of material sourced from the digestive system of organisms. Bromalites can be broadly considered to be trace fossils. The most well-known types of bromalites are fossilised faeces or coprolites.

tinyurl.com/baltimore-

timbalero transposal-4

Timbales (also called pailas) are shallow single-headed drums with metal casings, invented in Cuba. They are shallower than single-headed tomtoms, and usually tuned much higher. The player (called a **timbalero**) uses a variety of stick strokes, rim shots, and rolls to produce a wide range of percussive expression during solos and at transitional sections of music, and usually plays the shells of the drum or auxiliary percussion such as a cowbell or cymbal to keep time in other parts of the song.

27 Louisville *Kentucky*

Liouville's tinyurl.com/louisville-transposal

Liouville's theorem has various meanings, all mathematical results named after the mathematician Joseph Liouville (1809-1882).

28 Portland Oregon

Landport tinyurl.com/portland-transposal

A district which is located near the centre of Portsea Island and is part of the city of Portsmouth, England.

29 Oklahoma City Oklahoma

Calamity Hook tinyurl.com/oklahomacity-transposal

The title of a book by Jeb Ladouceur, published in 2008. Available from Amazon.com.

30 Milwaukee Wisconsin

weak ileum tinyurl.com/milwaukee-transposal

The phrase **weak ileum** can be found on various websites, but is invariably compromised by the presence of other words, brackets, or incomprehensible meanings; for example, 'weak ileum-contracting activity', 'a weak (ileum) expression', and 'a drop of weak ileum to discontinue rare dosing'.

31 Las Vegas Nevada

salvages W3

Rescues or saves from wreck and ruin.

32 Albuquerque New Mexico

Alburqueque tinyurl.com/albuquerque-transposal

The surname of various individuals on social networking sites such as LinkedIn. They can't all be misspellings - these people must know how to spell their surnames correctly!

33 Tucson Arizona

counts W3

European noblemen.

uncost W2

Want of cost.

34 Fresno California

Freons tinyurl.com/fresno-transposal

Webster's Third has Freon as a trademark, but with no plural form indicated. However, Wikipedia specifically mentions the word **Freons**, and lists many different types of Freon, including Freon 11, Freon 12, Freon 13, Freon 113, Freon 113a, Freon 114 and Freon 115.

35 Sacramento California

estramacon tinyurl.com/sacramento-transposal

A straight, heavy sword with two edges, used in the 16th and 17th centuries.

36 Long Beach California

goal bench tinyurl.com/longbeach-transposal

Manufactured in Sweden, **goal bench** is a concrete bench. Concrete is a favourite material for architects and product designers alike, who often use it to create unique surfaces. The reinforced fibre concrete surfaces of the **goal bench** make it an ideal choice for outdoor environments, as well as an attractive complement to hi-tech interiors. Its surfaces are anchored to a pair of stainless steel runners to create a strong and stable base.

37 Kansas City Missouri

Satanic sky tinyurl.com/kansascity-transposal

The title given to a specific photograph of an abandoned church and graveyard.

38 Mesa Arizona

Ames tinyurl.com/ames-transposal

A city located in the central part of lowa in Story County. Lying approximately 30 miles north of Des Moines, it had a 2010 population of 58,965.

maes W3

Baas, bleats.

mase OED

To undergo the energy transitions characteristic of a maser, a device using the stimulated emission of radiation by excited atoms or molecules to generate or amplify coherent monochromatic electromagnetic radiation in the microwave range.

mesa W3

A small isolated plateau. **w**3

Resembling in every way, identical.

seam W3

A joining by a line of stitching of two pieces of cloth, leather, or other material usually near the edge.

39 Virginia Beach Virginia

in a big archive tinyurl.com/virginiabeach-transposal

A phrase which appears on several websites, typically devoted to national or local archives.

40 Atlanta Georgia

Talanta tinyurl.com/atlanta-transposal

A forum for the publication of original research papers, preliminary communications, and critical reviews in all branches of pure and applied analytical chemistry.

41 Colorado Springs Colorado

Cool Springs Road tinyurl.com/coloradosprings-transposal

In Gainesville, Georgia, there is a road called **Cool Springs Road**. While the Springs part of Colorado Springs remains unchanged, this seems to be the best transposal available for this city name.

42 Raleigh North Carolina

hair gel OED

A hairstyling product that is used to stiffen hair into a particular hairstyle. The term appears in the OED in an illustrative quotation from 2003 at the entry MILF: "I was going to end up one of those tools wearing **hair gel** and a pinky ring, pushing gym memberships on MILFs and husband hunters."

laigher OED

A variant spelling of "lower", listed at "lower".

43 Omaha Nebraska

haoma W3

A sacred drink used ritually in Zoroastrianism.

44 Miami Florida

Imami W3

A member of a major Shi'ite sect.

Maimi tinyurl.com/miami-transposal-2

The first name of **Maimi** Yajima (born 7 February, 1992), a member and the leader of Cute, a J-pop (Japanese pop) group.

Mimia tinyurl.com/miami-transposal

A living genus of butterflies of the family Hesperiidae.

45 Oakland

California

Aaldonk tinyurl.com/oakland-transposal

This is a small area with just a dozen houses; it is part of the municipality of Gennep, in the province of Limburg, the Netherlands.

Don Laka tinyurl.com/oakland-transposal-2

Donald Mahwetša Laka (born 15 December 1958 in Pretoria, South Africa), professionally known as **Don Laka**, is a South African jazz musician, pianist, songwriter, music producer and entrepreneur.

Donakal tinyurl.com/oakland-transposal-3

A village and Gram panchayat of Nalgonda mandal, Nalgonda district, in Andhra Pradesh state, India.

Kalonda tinyurl.com/oakland-transposal-4

A village and municipality in the Lučenec District in the Banská Bystrica Region of Slovakia.

Kandola tinyurl.com/oakland-transposal-5

An English company specialising in fabrics and wallcoverings.

Kolanda tinyurl.com/oakland-transposal-6

A village in the Assoli Prefecture in the Kara Region of north-eastern Togo.

46 Tulsa

Oklahoma

latus W3

Part of the mathematical term **latus** rectum, the chord of a conic section through a focus and parallel to a directrix.

salut OED

A drinking toast, such as 'cheers!' or 'good health!'

sault W3

A fall or rapid in a river.

talus W3

The astragalus of man bearing the weight of the body and with the tibia and fibula forming the ankle joint.

47 Minneapolis Minnesota

simple anion tinyurl.com/minneapolis-transposal

A term from chemistry referring to a negatively charged ion. This phrase occurs in an article about the hydrogen anion: "Electride, another very **simple anion**".

48 Cleveland Ohio

vendace'll W3 & tinyurl.com/cleveland-transposal

The vendace is a type of fish, listed in W3. The phrase "Small vendace will have a competitive advantage during the summer due to their lower metabolic requirements" can actually be found on a website. Now change 'will' to its shortened form 'II, and you end up with: "Small **vendace'II** have a competitive advantage during the summer due to their lower metabolic requirements ". Another horrendous example, I know, but better than nothing at all!

49 Wichita Kansas

Chitiwa tinyurl.com/wichita-transposal

A place with a very small population in the province of Northern, in Zambia, Africa.

50 Arlington *Texas*

Ron Alting tinyurl.com/arlington-transposal

Senator **Ron Alting** is a Republican member of the Indiana State Senate representing the 22nd district, serving Tippecanoe County. He was first elected to the State Senate in 1998.

51 New Orleans Louisiana

Snow Leaner tinyurl.com/neworleans-transposal

The name given to a particular photograph showing a snow formation, taken by Wayne

Logan.

52 Bakersfield California

Field Breaks www.fieldbreaks.co.uk

An organisation providing enjoyable and informative botanical illustration and landscape painting workshops with experienced professional tutors, in relaxing locations around the

UK.

53 Tampa Florida

Patam tinyurl.com/tampa-transposal

A village in Hsawlaw Township in Myitkyina District in the Kachin State of north-eastern

Burma.

54 Honolulu Hawaii

Honululo tinyurl.com/honolulu-transposal

The surname of James **Honululo** on Facebook. The fact that this individual gives his address as Honolulu does suggest that his quoted surname may not be his real surname.

Nevertheless, this is how his friends and colleagues will find him on Facebook.

55 Anaheim California

Anhimae W2

A suborder of horned screamers, birds of South America.

56 Aurora Colorado

aroura W3

An ancient Egyptian unit of land measure equal to 0.677 acres.

57 Santa Ana

California

sanatana tinyurl.com/santaana-transposal

In Hinduism, **sanatana** dharma is a term used to denote the eternal or absolute set of duties or religiously ordained practices incumbent upon all Hindus, regardless of class, caste, or sect. Different texts give different lists of the duties, but in general **sanatana** dharma consists of virtues such as honesty, refraining from injuring living beings, purity, goodwill, mercy, patience, forbearance, self-restraint, generosity, and asceticism.

58 St. Louis

Missouri

solitus

tinyurl.com/stlouis-transposal

In anatomy, situs **solitus** is the normal position of thoracic and abdominal organs. This means that the heart is on the left with the pulmonary atrium on the right and the systemic atrium on the left along with the cardiac apex. Right-sided organs are the liver, the gall bladder and a trilobed lung as well as the inferior vena cava, while left-sided organs are the stomach, single spleen, a bilobed lung, and the aorta.

Suliots

OED

Inhabitants of the Suli mountains in Epirus (an area shared between Greece and Albania), of mixed Greek and Albanian origin.

59 Riverside CA

California

Diversicare

www.diversicare.ca

There is no transposal of 'Riverside', so the state abbreviation for California (CA) has been added to the city name. **Diversicare** is a leader in long-term care, residential care and seniors' housing in Canada.

60 Corpus Christi

Texas

his citrus crop

tinyurl.com/corpuschristi-transposal

A phrase occurring over 200,000 times on internet websites. The website referenced here refers to adverse weather conditions potentially affecting a California crop.

61 Pittsburgh

Pennsylvania

Supt Bright

tinyurl.com/pittsburgh-transposal

There is a character called Chief Superintendent Bright (Chief **Supt Bright**) in the British television series called *Endeavour*; but the movie website IMDB has empty entries for this character, awaiting users to provide information about him. Additionally, we don't like the Chief part of the title Chief **Supt Bright**. Accordingly, we are choosing a real-life person with the rank of superintendent - thus, **Supt Bright**, who was a detective in the Essex (UK) police involved with the crimes of murderer Sidney Cooke, which are available in a website devoted to murderers.

62 Lexington

Kentucky

Next Lingo

nextlingo.com

The name of a company in Salt Lake City, Utah, specialising in group and private classes for teaching Spanish.

63 Anchorage

Alaska

A Charnego

tinyurl.com/anchorage-transposal

A form of the name Anna Charnego, which can be found on the ancestry website referenced here. Other individuals with the initial A and this surname can be found on other ancestry, census and social networking websites.

64 Stockton

California

N Tostock tinyurl.com/stockton-transposal

The northern part of the village of Tostock, which is a small village around eight miles east of Bury St. Edmunds in the county of Suffolk, England. It is a very traditional Suffolk village, with a good example of a fourteenth-century church.

65 Cincinnati Ohio

No transposal found.

66 Saint Paul Minnesota

Laputians tinyurl.com/saintpaul-transposal

A variant spelling of Laputans, the inhabitants of Laputa, a fictional land in *Gulliver's*

Travels, by Jonathan Swift.

palatinus Dorland's Illustrated Medical Dictionary, 28th edition

Torus **palatinus** [or **palatinus** torus in English] is a bony protrusion on the palate. Palatal tori are usually present on the midline of the hard palate. Most palatal tori are less than 2 cm in diameter, but their size can change throughout life.

unspatial W2

Not spatial.

67 Toledo Ohio

looted W3

Plundered or sacked.

toodle W2

To make a continuous low sound.

tooled W3

Shaped, formed or finished with a tool.

68 Newark New Jersey

wanker OED

An objectionable or contemptuous person.

69 Greensboro North Carolina

Reg Osborne tinyurl.com/greensboro-transposal

Reginald (Reg) Osborne (born in South Africa; 1898-1977) was a professional footballer who played as a full back for the English football club Leicester City in the 1920s and also

made one appearance for England.

70 Plano Texas

lapon W2

A scorpion fish of the Pacific coast of America.

nopal W3

A type of cactus.

71 Henderson Nevada

Horsenden tinyurl.com/henderson-transposal

A hamlet in Wycombe district, Buckinghamshire, England, which is in the civil parish of Longwick-cum-Ilmer. It is one mile from Princes Risborough and seven miles south of

Aylesbury and three miles east of Chinnor in Oxfordshire.

72 Lincoln NE Nebraska

Neill Conn tinyurl.com/lincolnNE-transposal

There is no transposal of 'Lincoln', so the state abbreviation for Nebraska (NE) has been added to the city name. **Neill Conn** is an Irish football referee and can be found on Facebook.

73 Buffalo New York

buffola tinyurl.com/buffalo-transposal

Muscular.

74 Fort Wayne Indiana

a new forty tinyurl.com/fortwayne-transposal

New Forty is the name of a website devoted to the fortysomethings and over-forties - clothes, medical products, etc. The website introduces itself thus: "We've all heard it. There's **a new forty**. Maybe it's fifty, or sixty or maybe it's a state of mind. We live in a time when you really are only as old as you feel. More and more of us are feeling younger, longer. We're doing more. We're more vibrant. We're not slowing down."

75 Jersey City *New Jersey*

No transposal found.

76 Chula Vista California

Aultvaich's The Ordnance Survey Gazetteer of Great Britain, 3rd edition

The possessive form of the placename Aultvaich, a small town in the Highlands of Scotland, near to the city of Inverness.

77 Orlando Florida

lardoon W3

A strip of material (as of salt pork) for insertion into meat in larding.

Ronaldo tinyurl.com/orlando-transposal

The retired Brazilian footballer **Ronaldo** Luís Nazário de Lima, born 18 September 1976, is commonly known as **Ronaldo**. Popularly dubbed "the phenomenon", he is considered by experts and fans to be one of the greatest football players of all time.

78 St. Petersburg Florida

Petersburg St tinyurl.com/stpetersburg-transposal

Petersburg Street or **Petersburg St** is a street in Chester, Virginia.

79 Norfolk Virginia

Ron Folk tinyurl.com/norfolk-transposal

Based in Durand, Illinois, **Ron Folk** is a member of the Folk Family Racing Team. Ron has been racing for 4 decades, since the age of 15.

80 Chandler Arizona

Charlend tinyurl.com/chandler-transposal

A UK company focused on the electronics market. **Charlend** has experience of promoting component and subsystem solutions in the UK and Ireland.

81 Laredo Texas

loader W3

A person, device or machine used for loading.

ordeal W3

Something which tests character or endurance.

reload W3

To put fresh ammunition into after firing a weapon.

82 Madison Wisconsin

daimons W3

Supernatural beings in ancient Greek mythology whose nature is intermediate between that of a god and that of a man.

domains W

Fields of control or ranges of governance.

83 Durham

North Carolina

Madhur tinyurl.com/durham-transposal

The first name of **Madhur** Jaffrey (born 13 August 1933), an Indian actress, active in radio, theatre, television and film as well as a food writer, authoring numerous cookbooks and television chef and entrepreneur who, alongside acclaimed performances in such films as *Shakespeare Wallah*, *Six Degrees of Separation* and *Heat and Dust*, introduced the Western world to the many cuisines of India.

84 Lubbock

Texas

Bulbock tinyurl.com/lubbock-transposal

A surname of various individuals taken from historical census records in the US and Great Britain.

85 Winston-Salem

North Carolina

Silent Womans

tinyurl.com/winstonsalem-transposal

The book *Eccentric Britain*, by Ben le Vay, is dedicated to all sorts of oddball, strange, weird and eccentric things about Great Britain. One part of it concerns eccentric names for pubs (public houses, bars). In Britain, there are a number of pubs called *The Silent Woman*. On page 230, one part of the text runs thus: "The Silent Woman in Oxfordshire has gone, although there are at least two **Silent Womans** in Slaithwaite, Huddersfield and Cold Harbour, Dorset." The book is available through amazon.co.uk and amazon.com, and the full text of the book can also be viewed on Amazon.

86 Garland

Texas

LaGrand

tinyurl.com/garland-transposal

On January 7, 1982, brothers Karl and Walter Bernhard **LaGrand** bungled an armed bank robbery in Marana, Arizona, killing a man and severely injuring a woman in the process. They were subsequently charged and convicted of murder and sentenced to death. The LaGrands were German nationals, having been born in Germany.

Ragland

tinyurl.com/garland-transposal-2 & tinyurl.com/garland-transposal-3

There is a town called **Ragland** in St. Clair County, Alabama. At the 2000 census the population was 1,918. It is part of the Birmingham-Hoover-Cullman Combined Statistical Area. Additionally, **Ragland** is an unincorporated area just outside the town of Delbarton on the Mingo and Logan county border in West Virginia.

87 Glendale

Arizona

Del Angel

tinyurl.com/glendale-transposal

A surname of various individuals appearing on numerous social networking websites, especially LinkedIn and Facebook.

88 Hialeah

Florida

haelaih

tinyurl.com/hialeah-transposal

A name used by a specific trader on eBay.

89 Reno

Nevada

Nero

OED

Part of the name of **Nero** Claudius Caesar, Roman emperor AD 54–68.

oner W3

Something unique or extraordinary.

orne W2

The plural of 'orna', a measure of wine used in Trieste, Italy.

rone W3

Brushwood, thicket.

90 Baton Rouge Louisiana

B Torongeau tinyurl.com/batonrouge-transposal

The first-name initial and surname of various individuals surnamed Torongeau. People named Barbara Torongeau, Becky Torongeau, Bob Torongeau and Brittany Torongeau can be found on the website here.

91 Irvine California

vinier Random House Dictionary

The comparative of the adjective 'viny', more like a vine.

Nervii W3

A Celtic-German people of Belgium almost exterminated by Julius Caesar.

92 Chesapeake Virginia

kapa cheese tinyurl.com/chesapeake-transposal

A cream cheese with cucumber, intended as an accompaniment for sushi dishes, available from a French company called Geisha, located in Aix-en-Provence, France.

93 Irving Texas

riving W3
Wrenching open, tearing apart.
virgin W3

A person who has not had sexual intercourse.

viring Chambers Dictionary, 12th edition

Authorized redirecting of funds for one purpose to a more urgent occasion.

94 Scottsdale Arizona

Scottdales tinyurl.com/scottsdale-transposal

Towns or places called Scottdale may be referred to as **Scottdales**. Scottdale is a place in DeKalb County, Georgia, United States; the population was 10,631 at the 2010 census. Also, Scottdale is a borough in Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania, 49 miles (79 km) southeast of Pittsburgh. Alternatively, **Scottdale's** may be considered as the possessive form of Scottdale.

North Las Vegas (or N Las

95 Vegas) Nevada

Las Vegans tinyurl.com/nlasvegas-transpo

There is no transposal here for North Las Vegas, so I have opted to abbreviate the city name to N Las Vegas. The transposal of this is **Las Vegans**, which is the demonym for people who live in Las Vegas.

96 Fremont California

Froment Dorland's Illustrated Medical Dictionary, 28th edition

Jules **Froment** was a French physician (1878-1946), and is known for "**Froment**'s paper sign", a sign of a lesion of the ulnar nerve.

97 Gilbert Arizona

Terblig tinyurl.com/gilbert-transposal

A dissolved company which was located in Flagler Beach, Florida.

98 San Bernardino California

Brian Anderson tinyurl.com/sanbernardino-transposal

There are several individuals called **Brian Anderson** listed in Wikipedia. One such is **Brian Anderson** (born 12 June 1976), a professional skateboarder based in San Francisco.

99 Boise Idaho

biose W3

Any of a class of monosaccharides containing two carbon atoms, glycolaldehyde being the only member.

bosie OED

A cricket ball which breaks from the off, though bowled with apparent leg-break action.

100 Birmingham Alabama

Imbringham tinyurl.com/birmingham-transposal

Apparently, an English family surname, with extensive details about the family name, its origins, coat of arms, and history at the website referenced here. But I can't find any other occurrences of this surname elsewhere, either on the internet or in surname dictionaries. Neither can I find any occurrences of the placenames mentioned in the website, either on the internet or in gazetteers. I have a suspicion that the surname and its associated details are simply artificial, created by a company called Swyrich Corporation, which offers "family histories and coats of arms" for a whole range of unlikely looking surnames. A warning on one website states that: "Official heraldry offices in England say such businesses as these (ie Swyrich) are generally inaccurate and misleading."

101 Rochester

New York

hectorers OED

Individuals who hector, or brag, bluster, domineer.

orchester *W2*Another word for an orchestra.
orchestre *W2*

Another word for an orchestra.

torchères W3

Tall ornamental stands for candlesticks or candelabra used in the 18th century and usually set on tripod bases.

102 Richmond

Virginia

Mirchond tinyurl.com/richmond-transposal

Mīr-Kh'ānd, Moḥammad ibn Kh'āndshāh ibn Maḥmūd (1433/1434–1498) was a noted Persian-language historian of the fifteenth century. He is known in English also as Mir

Khvand and in Latin and Greek as Mirchond.

103 Spokane Washington

Snopake tinyurl.com/spokane-transposal

Snopake Brands is a privately owned British Company, with its head office in West London. The company's leading brands - **Snopake**, Swordfish and Platignum - focus on key sections of the stationery, office products and business machines market.

104 Des Moines Iowa

demonises Chambers Dictionary, 12th edition

Makes into, or like, a demon; renders demoniacal; represents as a demon.

105 Montgomery Alabama

metrognomy metrognomy.blogspot.co.uk

The name of a blog. The blog explains thus: metropolis - any large city or center of population, culture, etc, and -gnomy - a combining form meaning art or science of judging

or determining.

106 Modesto California

smooted W2

Moved stealthily.

107 Fayetteville North Carolina

Elevate Fitly tinyurl.com/fayetteville-transposal

The "Elevate Fitly Encounter" was a fencing meeting offered by the All-American Fencing Association in Fayetteville, Arkansas, back in February and March 2009. Something tells me the name of the encounter was simply dreamed up because it was a transposal of

Fayetteville.

Yvette Faille tinyurl.com/fayetteville-transposal-2

A named individual who died in Quebec in 1948, mentioned on one particular ancestry website. The name also occurs on several French language websites.

108 Tacoma Washington

mataco W3

The three-banded armadillo of South America.

109 Shreveport Louisiana

reproveths wordincontext.com/en/reproveth

Reproveth is the archaic third-person singular of the verb 'reprove'. On the website referenced here, there are currently 19 **reproveths**, ie 19 occurrences of the word

'reproveth'

110 Fontana California

Not a Fan tinyurl.com/fontana-transposal

The title of a book by Kyle Idleman, available from Amazon.

111 Oxnard California

Darxon tinyurl.com/oxnard-transposal

The name of a heavy metal band dating from 1983 in Dortmund, Germany.

Roxand tinyurl.com/oxnard-transposal-2

Roxand Township is a civil township of Eaton County, Michigan. The population was 1,903

at the 2000 census.

112 Aurora Illinois

aroura W3

An ancient Egyptian unit of land measure equal to 0.677 acres.

113 Moreno Valley, CA California

A Lovely Romance tinyurl.com/morenovalleyCA-transposal

There is no transposal of 'Moreno Valley', so the state abbreviation for California (CA) has been added to the city name. **A Lovely Romance** is the title of a track on the album called *Romance* by the Golden Strings. The track is available as a download from Amazon.

114 Akron Ohio

Koran W3

The book composed of writings accepted by Muslims as revelations made to Muhammad by Allah and as the divinely authorized basis for the religious, social, civil, commercial, military, and legal regulations of the Islamic world.

The basic monetary unit of Iceland.

115 **Yonkers** New York

OED **Orkneys**

Sheep from the Orkney Islands, Scotland.

116 **Columbus** Georgia

Combulus tinyurl.com/columbus-transpo

Vitito Combulus is a named individual on Facebook. Unfortunately, there is no information about the individual, other than a photo of a child aged about 2.

117 Augusta Georgia

A August tinyurl.com/augusta-transposal

A form of the name Ann August, which can be found on social networking websites such as Facebook and LinkedIn.

118 **Little Rock**

Arkansas

K Cotterill

tinyurl.com/littlerock-transposal

This is the initial and surname of Keith Cotterill (which appears 43 times on the UK electoral roll) and Kenneth Cotterill (31 times on the UK electoral roll). There are probably many other individuals with the name K Cotterill.

119 **Amarillo** Texas

Alimoral

tinyurl.com/amarillo-transposal

Another name for the organic chemical compound N-[(1-ethylpyrrolidin-2-yl)methyl]-2methoxy-5-sulfamoylbenzamide.

120 Mobile Alabama

bemoil

W3

An obsolete word, meaning to soil with dirt or mud. W2

emboil

To boil with rage.

121 **Huntington Beach** California

that bouncing hen

tinyurl.com/huntingtonbeach-transposal

This is a phrase occurring on a number of websites devoted to hunting. Although by itself, it's a pretty meaningless phrase, at least it does offer a transposal of what is one of the most difficult city names on this list.

122 Glendale California

Del Angel

tinyurl.com/glendale-transposal

A surname of various individuals appearing on numerous social networking websites, especially LinkedIn and Facebook.

123 **Grand Rapids** Michigan

grindadrap's

tinyurl.com/grandrapids-transposal

This is the possessive form of 'grindadrap', the slaughter of whales in the Faroe Islands. Although 'grindadrap' is a plural in Faroese, it has also been used in various news reports in an Anglicised way, suggesting the possibility of a plural form **grindadraps**.

124 **Salt Lake City** Utah

catalystlike tinyurl.com/saltlakecity-transposal

This word has previously appeared in *Word Ways* as a plausible coinage. However, a Google search has revealed several scientific websites which use this word, sometimes spelled with a hyphen, and sometimes spelled solidly without a hyphen. The website referenced here has an article entitled "**Catalystlike** behavior of Si adatoms in the growth of monolayer Al film on Si(111)". In the article title, Si stands for silicon, Al stands for aluminum, and adatoms (not a typo) are atoms lying on crystal surfaces.

125 Tallahassee Florida

EESSAHALLAT tinyurl.com/tallahassee-

transposal

The following section of text appears in *A Pine Castle Anthology (The Collected Wrtings of Will Wallace Harney)*, by William S Morgan, published in 2010: "On our overland journey to Florida, we came to a signpost at the forks of a road,one arm indicating the road to Jasper, the other to Tallahassee. The nub of the thing was in the literal ingenuity which indicated the direction, viz: EESSAHALLAT < | > JASPER. You have to read the meaning of the Convention that recognised the Conover delegation backward to know it points to Stearns as the regular nominee; or perhaps the Convention thought the Florida people like the Irishman's pig - apt to run the other way from what they said."

126 Huntsville Alabama

Shuntville tinyurl.com/huntsville-transposal

'Shuntville USA' is the name of a specific organisation on Facebook. At first, I assumed there was some connection with Huntsville, but I noticed that there were four other geographically nearby organisations on the Shuntville page, and all were in Hull, England (specifically, the University of Hull, Hull Royal Infirmary, KC Stadium, and the Welly Club). Then I realised that Shuntville is a transposal of 'Invest Hull'. It appears that organisations who want to promote economic investment in Hull are using the tag 'Invest Hull', and someone has gone a step further an set up the Shuntville page on Facebook. It's not clear, though, why 'USA' has been added onto Shuntville. Completely separately, Shuntville is a slang term for a car crash - as in the phrase "That car's been to Shuntville and back".

127 Worcester Massachusetts

crow-trees OED

Trees in a rookery.

128 Knoxville Tennessee

Link Voxel tinyurl.com/knoxville-transposal

Occurs on a website devoted to so-called deviant art. By the way, a voxel is a point in a three-dimensional picture image, akin to a pixel in a two-dimensional picture image.

Voxel Link tinyurl.com/knoxville-transposal

Occurs on a website devoted to so-called deviant art. By the way, a voxel is a point in a three-dimensional picture image, akin to a pixel in a two-dimensional picture image.

129 Grand Prairie Texas

daring repair tinyurl.com/grandprairie-transposal
A phrase appearing almost 2000 times in an internet search.

130 Newport News Virginia

pre-new towns tinyurl.com/newportnews-transposal

A term occurring on page 40 in the book *Singapore Housing: An Annotated Bibliography*, by Belinda K. P. Yuen, Ho Pin Teo, and Ooi Giok Ling. The relevant sentence reads: "Although service provision in the surveyed estates and towns differs, the pattern of utilisation and the level of satisfaction with facilities for the most part are reportedly not significantly different between the **pre-new towns** and new towns and between one new town and another." The book is available from and downloadable from Amazon. The relevant page is also viewable on the Amazon website

W New Preston tinyurl.com/newportnews-transposal-2

The western part of New Preston, a rural village in the northwestern corner of the town of Washington in Litchfield County, Connecticut.

131 Brownsville Texas

blown livers tinyurl.com/brownsville-transposal

Not a dictionary-listed term, but a term which appears on several websites. It applies to diseased or injured livers, typically on healthcare and sport websites. This quote appears on a healthcare website: "Now we'll become a nation with the free time to become seriously professional alcoholics, pot heads and your own drug of choice. Oh boy, we'll have Obamacare to treat all the **blown livers**".

132 Santa Clarita California

Antarctalias W2

Antarctalias is the plural form of the proper noun Antarctalia, the antarctic marine realmbounded by the southern isocryme of 44°F. Alternatively, **Antarctalia's** is the possessive form of the noun.

133 Overland Park Kansas

Orland Park've tinyurl.com/overlandpark-transposal

The phrase "Therapists in Orland Park have broad skills and are able to work with a wide range of issues" can actually be found on a website. Now change 'have' to its shortened form 've, and you end up with: "Therapists in **Orland Park've** broad skills and are able to work with a wide range of issues" . A horrendous example, I know, but better than nothing at all!

134 Providence Rhode Island

pin-covered tinyurl.com/providence-transposal

Covered in pins. The following sentence appears in a 1953 book called *Merlin's Furlong*, by Gladys Mitchell: "These three undergraduate students, Harrison, Waite and Piper, answer a peculiar advertisement beseeching the help of a warlock in handling a pin-covered voodoo doll."

135 Jackson Mississippi

Škocjan tinyurl.com/jackson-transposal

Škocjan Caves is a cave system in Slovenia. Due to its exceptional significance, **Škocjan** Caves was entered on UNESCO's list of natural and cultural world heritage sites in 1986.

136 Garden Grove California

Danger Grove tinyurl.com/gardengrove-transposal

A segment of a challenging cycle ride in Hambleden, Buckinghamshire, England.

Gander Grove tinyurl.com/gardengrove-transposal-2

Another name for Task Force 3-502 Memorial at Fort Campbell, Kentucky, which commemorates the death of 248 troops who died when their plane crashed at Gander, Newfoundland, Canada, in December 1985.

137 Oceanside California

oceanides W3

Ocean nymphs.

138 Chattanooga Tennessee

No transposal found.

139 Fort Lauderdale Florida

No transposal found.

140 Rancho Cucamonga California

No transposal found.

141 Santa Rosa California

Sarasotan tinyurl.com/santarosa-transposal

An inhabitant of Sarasota, Florida; or an adjective, pertaining to Sarasota.

142 Port St. Lucie Florida

pleurostict W2

A type of beetle.

143 Ontario California

oration W3

A formal discourse on some special occasion (as a funeral or an anniversary).

144 Tempe Arizona

empte OED

A variant spelling of 'empt', an obsolete word meaning to be at leisure.

145 Vancouver Washington

Nova curve tinyurl.com/vancouver-transposal

An item of kitchen furniture retailed by a Swedish company called Metos Kitchen

Intelligence.

146 Springfield Missouri

Field Spring tinyurl.com/springfield-transposal

There is a street in Lithonia, Georgia, called Field Spring Drive.

147 Cape Coral Florida

Placocrea tinyurl.com/capecoral-transposal

Placocrea is a genus of fungi in the family Mycosphaerellaceae.

148 Pembroke Pines Florida

No transposal found.

149 Sioux Falls South Dakota

All six of us tinyurl.com/siouxfalls-transposal

The name of one family's blog, updated by mum Heather, from Mississippi. Her surname isn't given, but her husband is Lee, and they have four children. You can probably work out

the kids' names by visiting the blog!

150 Peoria Arizona

aporie tinyurl.com/peoria-transposal

The French word for "aporia", a term from rhetoric, a professed doubt as to what to say or choose.

151 Lancaster California

ancestral W3

Of or belonging to an ancestor or ancestors.

152 Elk Grove California

V Koegler tinyurl.com/elkgrove-transposal

A form of the name Valerie Koegler, living in Coburg, Germany. She is on Facebook.

153 Corona California

caroon W2

An obsolete word for a license to keep a cart, granted by the Lord Mayor of London.

racoon W3

A nearly omnivorous nocturnal mammal related to but much smaller than the bear that inhabits most of North America, lives largely in trees, and is chiefly gray with black and white facial markings, a bushy ringed tail, and coarse fur much used in furriery.

154 Eugene Oregon

Guenée tinyurl.com/eugene-transposal

Achille Guenée (1 January 1809 - December 30, 1880) was a French lawyer and

entomologist.

155 Salem Oregon

almes W2

Egyptian dancing girls.

amels OED

An obsolete spelling of 'enamels'.

amsel W2

Two types of bird - the ring ouzel and the European blackbird.

elams OFD

The plural of 'elam', an 18th century dialect spelling of 'helm', a stalk of corn.

Elmas tinyurl.com/salem-transposal & The Oxford Dictionary of English Christian

Names, 2nd edition, by E G Withycombe

This is a municipality of the Cagliari metropolitan area in the province of Cagliari in the Italian region of Sardinia, located about 8 km northwest of Cagliari. Alternatively, **Elmas** could be viewed as the plural form of the girl's name Elma, or **Elma's** could be viewed as the possessive form of the name Elma.

the possessive form of the name cima.

Elsam tinyurl.com/salem-transposal-2

The surname of various individuals listed on social networking websites such as Facebook and LinkedIn.

EMALS tinyurl.com/salem-transposal-3

This is an abbreviation for Electromagnetic Aircraft Launch System, which is a system under development by the United States Navy to launch carrier-based aircraft from catapults using a linear motor drive instead of conventional steam pistons. This technology reduces stress on airframes because they can be accelerated more gradually to takeoff speed than with steam-powered catapults.

Eslam tinyurl.com/salem-transposal-4

The first-name of **Eslam** Jawaad (real name Wissam Khodur), who is a rapper of Lebanese-Syrian origin. His debut album, *The Mammoth Tusk*, was released in 2009.

laems OED

The plural of 'laem', an 18th century variant spelling of 'loam', clay, earth, mud.

lames W3

Cripples, disables, frustrates, hamstrings.

Lam Se tinyurl.com/salem-transposal-5

A named individual on the LinkedIn website.

Lasem tinyurl.com/salem-transposal-6

This is a sub-district in Apex Regency, Central Java, Indonesia, and is the second largest city in the district after Apex town .

leams W3

Gleams of light.

Le Mas tinyurl.com/salem-transposal-7

This is a commune in the Alpes-Maritimes department in southeastern France.

maels OED

The plural of 'mael', a 18th century variant spelling of 'meal', the edible part of a grain or

pulse.

males W3

Men.

Malse tinyurl.com/salem-transposal-8

The Malše is a river in Austria and in the Czech Republic, and a right tributary of the Vltava.

masel W2
A Scots variant of 'myself'.
meals W3

Portions of food taken at particular times to satisfy hunger or appetite.

melas W3

Indian religious festivals or fairs.

mesal W3

Middle, median.

salme OED

A Middle English spelling of the verb 'psalm', listed at 'psalm', to sing psalms.

samel W3

Soft and crumbling - used of bricks that lie outermost in the kiln and are in consequence not thoroughly burned.

selam OED

A 16th-17th variant spelling of 'salaam', the Oriental salutation.

semal OED

A variant spelling of 'simool', listed at 'simool', the red silk-cotton tree of India.

Selma Webster's Geographical Dictionary

A city in and the county seat of Dallas County, in the blackbelt region of lower west Alabama. Located on the banks of the Alabama River, it has a population of 20,756 as of the 2010 census. The city is best known for the 1965 Selma Voting Rights Movement and the Selma to Montgomery marches that originated in the city.

semla tinyurl.com/salem-transposal-9

A **semla** is a traditional sweet roll made in various forms in Denmark, the Faroe Islands, Iceland, Estonia, Finland, Latvia, Lithuania, Sweden and Norway associated with Lent and especially Shrove Monday and Shrove Tuesday.

slame tinyurl.com/salem-transposal-10

An adjective used to describe someone who is of an elevated level of lame. It is a synthesis of the word 'super' and 'lame' thus the world 'slame'.

smael OEL

An Old English form of the adjective 'small', listed at 'small'.

smale OED

A 17th century variant spelling of the adjective 'small', listed at 'small'.

smeal OED

A Middle English form of the adjective 'small', listed at 'small'.

Smela tinyurl.com/salem-transposal-11

The surname of Elisabeth Smela, a professor in the department of mechanical engineering at the University of Maryland.

156 Palmdale

California

lamp lead tinyurl.com/palmdale-transposal

The electrical lead for a lamp, usually having a lamp holder and plug at the ends.

lead lamp tinyurl.com/palmdale-transposal-2

A lamp with an attached electrical lead and plug.

157 Salinas

California

nasalis W3

A small muscle on each side of the nose.

158 Springfield

Massachusetts

Field Spring tinyurl.com/springfield-transposal

There is a street in Lithonia, Georgia, called **Field Spring** Drive.

159 Pasadena

Texas

Espadaña tinyurl.com/pasadena-transposal

This is a sparsely populated village and municipality in the province of Salamanca, western Spain, part of the autonomous community of Castile-Leon. It is located 56 kilometres from the provincial capital city of Salamanca and has a population of 49 people. The name of the town originated in *espadaña*, a certain architectural element common in small churches throughout the Iberian Peninsula.

160 Rockford

Illinois

Ford Rock tinyurl.com/rockford-transposal

Ford Rock is a prominent rock which lies 1 nautical mile (2 km) northeast of Cone Hill on Hut Point Peninsula, Ross Island, Antarctica.

161 Pomona

California

Mano Po tinyurl.com/pomona-transposal

The title of a film, **Mano Po**, was Regal Entertainment's entry for the 2002 Metro Manila Film Festival. The film focuses on the lives of the Chinese-Filipino community. **Mano Po** stars a cast headed by Maricel Soriano, Richard Gomez, Kris Aquino and Ara Mina.

Mapoon

tinyurl.com/pomona-transposal-2

This is an Aboriginal community located at Port Musgrave, western Cape York in Far North Queensland, Australia. A Presbyterian mission was established at **Mapoon** in 1891 with the aim of providing education and health services to the Aboriginal people. By 1907, under the Reformatories Act, it was operating as community for local people.

Monapo tinyurl.com/pomona-transposal-3

This is a town in northern Mozambique.

Pomoan OED

A family of seven mutually unintelligible North American Indian languages spoken in northern California.

162 Hayward California

Hardway tinyurl.com/hayward-transposal

This is a village and suburb of the town and borough of Gosport in Hampshire, England. The suburb is made up of a few industrial estates, residential housing and a port.

163 Fort Collins Colorado

flint colors tinyurl.com/fortcollins-transposal

This is the term used in describing the colors of various flints and arrowheads being advertised on the website referenced here.

164 Joliet Illinois

Joilet tinyurl.com/joliet-transposal

A nickname for Joliet, Illinois, combining Joliet and toilet, because of its grimy appearance.

165 Escondido CA California

Desconocida tinyurl.com/escondidoCA-transposal

There is no transposal of 'Escondido', so the state abbreviation for California (CA) has been added to the city name. **Desconocida** is the title of the fourth studio album by Spanish singer Marta Sanchez (in 1998). With this album, Marta returned to the pop music on her first albums, but with a more Italian feel. The English version is called "Perfect Stranger".

166 Kansas City Kansas

Satanic sky tinyurl.com/kansascity-transposal

The title given to a particular photograph of an abandoned church and graveyard.

167 Torrance California

carreton W2
A two-wheeled freight cart.
cartoner W3

A machine that opens a folding carton, inserts a packaged product, and closes the carton

ends.

Contrera tinyurl.com/torrance-transposal

A surname of various individuals appearing on numerous social networking websites, such as Facebook, LinkedIn and Twitter

168 Bridgeport Connecticut

PortBridge www.portbridge.com

This is a technology services provider company based in Cary, North Carolina.

169 Alexandria Virginia

Alexandair tinyurl.com/alexandria-transposal

A charter airline headquartered in Athens, Greece. It operated charter services on a wetlease basis for major tour operators. The airline suspended operations in September 2007.

AXA Ireland tinyurl.com/alexandria-transposal-2

Also called AXA Insurance Ireland, **AXA Ireland** is an Irish insurance company headquartered in Dublin.

170 Sunnyvale

California

unsylvane

wordincontext.com/en/unsylvan

The OED lists 'sylvane' as a 15-16th century variant spelling of 'sylvan', meaning 'pertaining to a wood or woods'. The wordincontext website has the following entry for 'unsylvan': "But here, in the unsylvan section of Chicago which bears the bosky name of Englewood, the very darkness had a strange quality. A hundred unfamiliar noises misled him. There were no cocks, no cattle, no elm. Above all, there was no instinctive feeling." This quote comes from a book entitled *Half Portions*, written by Edna Ferber, and originally published in 1920. If the aforementioned text had been written 300 years earlier, it's quite likely that the word 'unsylvan' would have been rendered as 'unsylvane'.

171 Cary

North Carolina

cray W3
A spiny lobster of Australia.
racy W3

Risque, suggestive.

172 Lakewood

Colorado

Woodlake tinyurl.com/lakewood-transposal

A city in Tulare County, California. The population was 7,279 at the 2010 census, up from 6,651 at the 2000 census.

173 Hollywood

Florida

Wood Holly tinyurl.com/hollywood-transposal

An American music producer who is on Facebook. It looks like his real first name might be Matt.

174 Paterson

New Jersey

operants *W3* Operatives, operators.

parsonet W2

A parson's child; also, a newly-made parson.

Petronas tinyurl.com/paterson-transposal

Short for *Petroliam Nasional Berhad*, **Petronas** is a Malaysian oil and gas company that was founded on August 17, 1974. Wholly owned by the Government of Malaysia, the corporation is vested with the entire oil and gas resources in Malaysia.

pronates

W3

Rotates (the hand or forearm) so as to bring the palm facing downward or backward.

proteans

W3

Various insoluble primary protein derivatives that result from a slight modification of the protein molecules especially by the incipient action of water, very dilute acids, or enzymes.

175 Syracuse

New York

eucrasy's

OED & W2

'eucrasy' is listed in both the OED and W2. It's possible to propose a sentence such as this one: "eucrasy's in both these major dictionaries". The OED defines 'eucrasy' as: a well-proportioned mixture of qualities which constitutes health or soundness.

saucery's

OED & W2

'saucery' is listed in both the OED and W2. It's possible to propose a sentence such as this one: "saucery's in both these major dictionaries". The OED defines 'saucery' as: That part of a house in which sauces were prepared.

176 Naperville

Illinois

liver panel

tinyurl.com/naperville-transposal

A **liver panel** checks the health of your liver and can help diagnose liver damage or disease. The panel consists of these tests: albumin, alkaline phosphatase, alanine transaminase, aspartate transaminase and total protein.

177 McKinney

Texas

Mick Nyne

tinyurl.com/mckinney-transposal

The name of an individual posting comments on the Prezi website.

178 Mesquite

Texas

itemque's

tinyurl.com/mesquite-transposal

'itemque' is a Latin word, meaning likewise, also, besides, further, moreover, too, as well. It's possible to conceive a sentence such as "**itemque's** a Latin word".

quietems

tinyurl.com/mesquite-transposal-2

A username on the Head-Fi website, which is dedicated to hi-fi technical issues.

179 Clarksville

Tennessee

Clarkvilles

tinyurl.com/clarksville-transposal

These are towns such as Clarkville, a small rural town in the Waimakariri District, New Zealand. As of the 2013 New Zealand Census, Clarkville has a population of 1137. Alternatively, **Clarkville's** is the possessive form of the town name.

180 Savannah

Georgia

Havanans

W3

Natives or residents of Havana, Cuba.

181 Dayton

Ohio

adyton

W3

The innermost sanctuary or shrine in ancient temples which was open only to priests and from which oracles were given.

182 Orange

California

onager

W3

An ancient and medieval heavy catapult used for hurling heavy stones and made up basically of a strong lever with a receptacle at one end for the stones and of ropes twisted so as to pull the lever back under great strain until suddenly released.

183 Fullerton

California

florulent W3

Flowery, blossoming.

184 Pasadena California

Espadaña tinyurl.com/pasadena-transposal

This is a sparsely populated village and municipality in the province of Salamanca, western Spain, part of the autonomous community of Castile-Leon. It is located 56 kilometres from the provincial capital city of Salamanca and has a population of 49 people. The name of the town originated in *espadaña*, a certain architectural element common in small churches throughout the Iberian Peninsula.

185 Hampton Virginia

Hampont tinyurl.com/hampton-transposal

A commune in the Moselle department in Lorraine in north-eastern France.

phantom W3

Something (as a specter or an optical illusion) that is apparent to the sight or other sense but has no actual or substantial existence.

186 McAllen Texas

Mancell tinyurl.com/mcallen-transposal

Josh **Mancell** is an American freelance composer and musician who writes music for film, television, and video games.

cerevision, and video games.

McLelan tinyurl.com/mcallen-transposal-2

Archibald Woodbury **McLelan** (1824-1890) was a Canadian shipbuilder and politician, the sixth Lieutenant Governor of Nova Scotia.

187 Killeen Texas

E Killen tinyurl.com/killeen-transposal

The eastern part of Killen, a town in Lauderdale County, Alabama. It is part of the Florence - Muscle Shoals Metropolitan Statistical Area known as "The Shoals". As of the 2000 census, the population of the town is 1,190.

Killene tinyurl.com/killeen-transposal-2

A place in Senegal, Africa.

188 Warren Michigan

rewarn W2

To warn again.

warner W3

One that warns.

189 West Valley City Utah

No transposal found.

190 Columbia South Carolina

Bloacium tinyurl.com/columbia-transposal

A former name for İskilip, which is a district of Çorum Province of Turkey, on the left bank of the River Kızılırmak, located at 56 km from the city of Çorum, 100 miles (160 km) northeast of Ankara and 60 miles (100 km) southeast of Kastamonu. It covers an area of 1,187 km², and has an elevation of 2460 ft (750 m). The population is about 39,124, of which 20,660 live in the town of İskilip (as of 2010).

191 New Haven Connecticut

Nevah Wen tinyurl.com/newhaven-transposal

The logo on a jersey available from online retailer Surrounded by Idiots, advertised at \$18. This transposal also happens to be a reversal.

192 Sterling Heights Michigan

Lights the singer tinyurl.com/sterlingheights-transposal

Lights Bokan is a Canadian electropop musician, singer, and songwriter. Some of her notable singles include "Ice", "Second Go", and "Toes". In 2009, she was awarded the Juno Award for New Artist of the Year. She appears on various websites as "Lights, the singer".

See Pinterest, Facebook and Tumblr.

193 Olathe Kansas

loathe *W3* To feel strong aversion for.

194 Miramar Florida

MariMar tinyurl.com/miramar-transposal

This is a Mexican TV telenovela that was originally broadcast in 1994 on Televisa. Marimar

is a remake of the telenovela La Venganza, which aired on Televisa in 1977.

Mar Mari tinyurl.com/miramar-transposal-2

Known as the "Apostle of Babylonia," **Mar Mari** was a disciple of Addai, one of the Seventy-Two disciples of Jesus, who had evangelized the city of Edessa.

195 Thousand Oaks California

No transposal found.

196 Frisco Texas

ForCIS tinyurl.com/frisco-transposal

This is a client program which was used to connect to the CompuServe Information Service.

ForCIS is the predecessor to NavCIS. It was available for MS-DOS.

fricos tinyurl.com/frisco-transposal-2

A frico, known in America as a cheese crisp, is an Italian food, which consists of a wafer of shredded cheese with a bit of flour, baked or fried until crisp. The cheeses include Montasio, Parmesan or mozzarella. **Fricos** are often used as garnish for soups or stews.

197 Cedar Rapids Iowa

paired cards tinyurl.com/cedarrapids-transposal

The "paired cards" system is a practical and generally applicable procedure for the clinical trial of drugs. It is a system which is suitable for the simulataneous double-blind study of several drugs effective in the same field of indication (eg analgesics). The procedure uses sequential analysis and therefore requires only limited materials, costs and personnel. It produces significant results with a minimum of patients.

198 Topeka Kansas

kapote W3

A man's long coat of medieval origin worn especially by Jews of eastern Europe.

poke at www.thefreedictionary.com/poke+at

To push against gently.

199 Visalia California

Sivalia tinyurl.com/visalia-transposal

Located at 209 Mountain View Road, Asheville, North Carolina, Sivalia Violins is a musical

instruments store.

200 Waco Texas

OCAW tinyurl.com/waco-transposal

The Organisation of Chinese American Women (**OCAW**) is a group of dedicated Chinese American women, including a number of prominent women who are serving and have served in the various administrations in the nation's capital, has a tremendous amount of talent, imagination, and skills helping to find solutions to some of America's problems and assisting their own communities in their many endeavors.

OWCA tinyurl.com/waco-transposal-2

The abbreviation for Old Wesley Collegians Association, based in Perth, Australia.

201 Elizabeth New Jersey

Beth Eliza tinyurl.com/elizabeth-transposal

A named individual on Facebook, living in Vancouver, Canada.

202 Bellevue Washington

E Bellvue tinyurl.com/bellevue-transposal

The eastern part of **Bellvue**, a town in Larimer County, Colorado. It is a small agricultural community located in Pleasant Valley, a narrow valley just northwest of Fort Collins.

203 Gainesville Florida

villeinages W3

Tenures held by villeins, or unfree peasants.

204 Simi Valley California

Sylvia Lime tinyurl.com/simivalley-transposal

A named individual on Facebook.

205 Charleston South Carolina

Horncastle Gazetteer of the British Isles, published by Bartholomew

A market town in Lincolnshire, England. It is situated 17 miles geographically east, and 22 miles by road, from the city and county town of Lincoln. **Horncastle** has a population of

6,651 residents.

North Scale Gazetteer of the British Isles, published by Bartholomew

A village and one of only four settlements on the Isle of Walney. It is the northernmost settlement, lying 1 mile north of Vickerstown, Cumbria, England.

206 Carrollton Texas

corranto'll Coinage based on OED entry

'corranto' is a type of dance, listed in the OED. Put 'corranto' into a sentence followed by 'll (the shortened form of 'will'), and you may get something like this: "The **corranto'll** always be recognised as a dance for couples". Horrendous, I know, but better than nothing at all!

207 Coral Springs Florida

Carol Springs tinyurl.com/coralsprings-transposal

A named individual on LinkedIn.

208 Stamford Connecticut

Matfords tinyurl.com/stamford-transposal

Matford was a car and truck manufacturer in France from 1934 to 1940. In 1935 a range of V-8 engined **Matfords** was put on the market which were very similar to the American Ford Model 48s with their V8 3622cc engines.

SD format tinyurl.com/stamford-transposal-2

An item of software for formatting cards used in phones, cameras, etc.

209 Hartford Connecticut

Ardforth tinyurl.com/hartford-transposal

The surname of Elizabeth Ardforth, listed in the 1841 census for England.

Hard Fort tinyurl.com/hartford-transposal-2

Located in Brisbane, Australia, **Hard Fort** Finance is a car financing company.

Radforth tinyurl.com/hartford-transposal-3

A surname of various individuals appearing on numerous social networking websites,

especially Facebook and LinkedIn.

210 Concord California

corn cod tinyurl.com/concord-transposal

A food dish made from cod, corn, sour cream and flour. **211 Roseville** *California*

Ville rose tinyurl.com/roseville-transposal

French for "pink city", **Ville rose** is a nickname given to various cities: Yerevan (the capital of Armenia), Jaipur (the capital of Rajasthan, India), and Toulouse (the capital of the French

department of Haute-Garonne).

212 Thornton *Colorado*

Northton Gazetteer of the British Isles, published by Bartholomew

The small village of **Northton** is in the south of the Isle of Harris. **Northton** has two small

but very nice beaches.

213 Kent Washington

knet W3

A dialect past tense of the verb 'knit'.

214 Lafayette Louisiana

Fayette AL tinyurl.com/lafayette-transposal

Fayette, Alabama, or Fayette AL, is a city in Fayette County, Alabama. The 2000 census lists

the population as 4,922. The city is the county seat of Fayette County.

215 Surprise Arizona

spurries W3

Small white-flowered European weeds.

uprisers *W2* Participants in an uprising.

216 Denton Texas

tendon W3

A tough cord or band of dense specialized regularly arranged white fibrous connective

tissue that unites a muscle with some other part.

217 Victorville California

civil revolt tinyurl.com/victorville-transposal

Open, armed, and organized resistance to a constituted government.

218 Evansville Indiana

Veleslavin tinyurl.com/evansville-transposal

A district of Prague, part of Prague 6, situated in the west of the city. **Veleslavin** was probably founded in the 10th or 11th century, first recorded in records from the nearby Břevnov monastery, and has been part of Prague since 1922. 6,531 people live here.

219 Midland Texas

D Miland tinyurl.com/midland-transposal

A form of the name Daniel Miland (and others such as David Miland and Dorothy Miland, etc) which can be found on various social networking and census websites.

220 Santa Clara California

> W2 alcantaras

Bridges.

221 **Athens** Georgia

> Atshen tinyurl.com/athens-transposal-2 In Inuit mythology, **Atshen** is a cannibalistic spirit. **Ethans** tinyurl.com/athens-transposal-4

Boys having the first name Ethan. Famous Ethans include Ethan Allen and Ethan Hawke.

hantes OFD

The third person singular of the verb 'hante', a 16th century variant spelling of 'haunt'.

hasten W/3

To urge on.

Senath

Hestan tinyurl.com/athens-transposal-3

A small island situated just off the Dumfries an Galloway coast in Scotland. Hestan sits at the mouth of the Urr Estuary in the Solway Firth.

nathes

The plural of 'nathe', an obsolete spelling of 'nave', a block in the center of a wheel from which the spokes radiate and in which the axle is fixed.

Neaths tinyurl.com/athens-transposal-5

The plural of Neath, a town in the principal area of Neath Port Talbot, Wales, UK with a population of 19,258 in 2011. The town is located on the river of the same name.

Alternatively, **Neath's** is the possessive form of the proper name.

tinyurl.com/athens-transposal-1 A city in Dunklin County, Missouri. The population was 1,767 at the 2010 census.

snathe W3 The handle of a scythe. W3 sneath

The handle of a scythe.

thanes W3

Individuals holding lands from the king or other superior in Anglo-Saxon England and performing military and various other governmental services.

222 **Allentown** Pennsylvania

> W Allenton tinyurl.com/allentown-transposal

The western part of Allenton, a suburb of the city of Derby, England, situated about three miles south of the city centre.

223 **Abilene** Texas

> tinyurl.com/abilene-transposal **Ebilane**

A surname of various individuals appearing on several social networking websites, especially Facebook and LinkedIn.

224 Beaumont Texas

> W3 umbonate

Having or forming an umbo, an elevation in the tympanic membrane of the ear.

225 Vallejo California

Jalovel tinyurl.com/vallejo-transposal

Alf **Jalovel**, Amalia **Jalovel**, Roly **Jalovel**, Quincey **Jalovel** and Zulma **Jalovel** are named individuals on the social networking website Facebook.

226 Independence MO Missouri

omnidependence tinyurl.com/independenceMO-transposal

There is no transposal of 'Independence', so the state abbreviation for Missouri (MO) has been added to the city name. **Omnidependence** appears in a passage in a book entitled *The Problem of God in Modern Thought*, by Philip Clayton, published in 2000. The passage concerned reads: "Descartes's failure to unite these two ontological approaches (independent things vs omnidependence on God) sets the stage for developments in philosophical theology over the next several centuries." The book is available from Amazon.

227 Springfield Illinois

Field Spring tinyurl.com/springfield-transposal

There is a street in Lithonia, Georgia, called **Field Spring** Drive.

228 Ann Arbor Michigan

N Nabarro tinyurl.com/annarbor-transposal

A form of the name Nell Nabarro, an English model, a named individual on Facebook,

Instagram, Twitter and Tumblr.

229 Provo Utah

proov OED

A 16th century variant spelling of 'prove', at the entry 'prove'

230 Peoria Illinois

aporie tinyurl.com/peoria-transposal

The French word for "aporia", a term from rhetoric, a professed doubt as to what to say or

choose.

231 Norman Oklahoma

Morann tinyurl.com/norman-transposal

A druid, the son of Cairbre Catcheann. His father gave instructions for him to be drowned but he was saved and reared by the smith Maon to become a famous judge. At times,

known as Moran or Moran.

Romann tinyurl.com/norman-transposal-2

A surname of various individuals appearing on numerous social networking websites,

especially Facebook and LinkedIn

232 Berkeley California

K Eberley tinyurl.com/berkeley-transposal

A form of Keith Eberley (and other names such as Kenneth Eberley and Kathy Eberley), which is on various social networking and census websites.

233 El Monte California

Leemonttinyurl.com/elmonte-transposalA surname of various individuals appearing on Facebook.Telemontinyurl.com/elmonte-transposal-2

An item of medical equipment. The Philips M2636C Telemon is used in the monitoring, recording, and alarming of multiple physiologic parameters in adult and pediatric patients to gain information for treatment, to monitor adequacy of treatment, or to exclude causes of symptoms.

234 Murfreesboro Tennessee

Rumors of beer *tinyurl.com/murfreesboro-transposal* The title given to one particular blog posted back in 2004.

235 Lansing Michigan

lanings OED

A laning is simply an obsolete word for a lane or road.

linsang W3

Any of various Asiatic mammals of the genus Prionodon and related genera that resemble long-tailed cats and differ from the related civets and genets in the absence of a second upper molar.

236 Columbia Missouri

Bloacium tinyurl.com/columbia-transposal

A former name for İskilip, which is a district of Çorum Province of Turkey, on the left bank of the River Kızılırmak, located at 56 km from the city of Çorum, 100 miles (160 km) northeast of Ankara and 60 miles (100 km) southeast of Kastamonu. It covers an area of 1,187 km², and has an elevation of 2460 ft (750 m). The population is about 39,124, of which 20,660 live in the town of İskilip (as of 2010).

237 Downey California

yowden W2

A variant of 'youden', a Scots past tense of the verb 'yield'.

238 Costa Mesa California

Dorland's Illustrated Medical Dictionary (24th edition) & Stedman's

acestomas Medical Dictionary (26th edition)

'acestoma' is a medical term, appearing in various medical dictionaries. Dorland's Illustrated Medical Dictionary (24th edition) defines it as "a mass of granulations". The later 28th edition of Dorland's doesn't list the word at all. Stedman's Medical Dictionary (26th edition) defines it as "exuberant granulations that form a cicatrix". The usual plural form of a medical word ending in '-oma' is '-omata', so the plural of 'acestoma' ought to be 'acestomata'. However, there are many instances of medical terms where both plural forms exist, such as 'melanomas' and 'melanomata', and 'teratomas' and 'teratomata'. Accordingly, **acestomas** is just as valid a plural form as 'acestomata'.

Ascomate's tinyurl.com/costamesa-transposal

Ascomate is the name of a company in Surrey, England, which was dissolved in 2012. The possessive form is **Ascomate's**.

239 Inglewood California

dewooling *W3* Removing wool from.

240 Miami Gardens Florida

mine diagrams tinyurl.com/miamigardens-transposal

This term appears in the text of a book entitled *Cornish Village Justice* by Lyn Reynolds, published in 2010. The relevant sentence reads: "This, he reckoned, was West Kitty mine but it wasn't clear from which direction the stope had been mined because the old **mine diagrams** and charts he had previously studied were incomplete." The book can be purchased or downloaded from Amazon. The term **mine diagrams** appears on various other websites, too.

241 Manchester New Hampshire

Chesterman tinyurl.com/manchester-transposal

Ron **Chesterman** (27 November 1943 – 16 March 2007) was an English musician and archivist. He is best known as the original double bass player with the Strawbs.

searchment W2

A dialect word for a search.

242 Elgin Illinois

ingle W3

A fireplace.

ligne W3

Any of various units of measure: a French unit for watch movements equal to 0.0888 inch; a Swiss unit for watches equal to 0.0802 inch.

linge W3

To strike, to flog.

Nigel *W2* A masculine proper name.

243 Wilmington North Carolina

W Limington Gazetteer of the British Isles, published by Bartholomew

The western part of Limington, a village and parish in Somerset, England, situated 5 miles north of Yeovil. The village has a population of 199.

244 Waterbury Connecticut

Ruby Water tinyurl.com/waterbury-transposal

The name of a company in Selangor, Malaysia, specialising in water dispensers and associated equipment.

245 Fargo North Dakota

FRAGO tinyurl.com/fargo-transposal

An Operations Order, or OPORD, is the primary order that is given for amilitary mission; however it is not the only type of order that may be issued for a mission. Other types of orders may be issued. This is to tell units that an Operations Order may be forthcoming, as a Warning Order, or to inform units during the execution of an Operations Order, that the situation has changed and, identifying changes in situation and mission, (Fragmentary Order). Once an OPORD is given, the situation may change before the mission is actually begun or, during the operation the situation may change so that the Operations Order must be modified. In these cases the commander will issue a Fragmentary Order, or **FRAGO**. The **FRAGO** will state exactly how the situation and/or, mission has been changed and what must be done to make up for the change.

go far W3

To be successful.

246 Arvada Colorado

Davaar Gazetteer of the British Isles, published by Bartholomew

This is a small island located at the mouth of Campbeltown Loch off the east coast of Kintyre, in Argyll and Bute, Scotland.

Davara tinyurl.com/arvada-transposal

The **Davara** was a British steam trawler during World War II that was sunk by the German submarine *U-27*. See Wikipedia

Raavad tinyurl.com/arvada-transposal-2

Rabbi Avraham ben David of Posquieres (Provence), known by the acronym "Raavad", wrote the famed *hagaot* critical notations to Maimonides' Mishneh Torah. Born approximately 1120, he passed away on the 26th of kislev of the year 4959 from creation (1198).

Radava tinyurl.com/arvada-transposal-3

Radava is a village and municipality in the Nové Zámky District in the Nitra Region of southwest Slovakia.

Varada tinyurl.com/arvada-transposal-4

The **Varada** river originates near Vardamoola in Sagar taluk, Shimoga district of Karnataka, India. It flows through the Western Ghats and enters the central districts of Karnataka, Haveri and Bellary. The river joins the Tungabhadra River at Galaganath.

247 Carlsbad California

crab lads tinyurl.com/carlsbad-transposal

This line of text appears in *The Gollancz eBook Collection: Eight Fantastic Novels* by Robert Rankin: 'But, needless to say, there are pirates - the flying starfish from Uranus, and those **crab lads** from the nebula that bears their name.'

248 Westminster Colorado

winter stems tinyurl.com/westminster-transposal

These are versatile plants, such as dogwoods and willows, which provide different textures and stem colours to attract the eye and brighten the winter gloom in the garden.

written mess tinyurl.com/westminster-transposal-2

The name given to Westminster station on the anagram version of the London Tube Map (Tube = underground railway system).

249 Rochester Minnesota

hectorers OED

Individuals who hector, or brag, bluster, domineer.

orchestre *W2*Another word for an orchestra.

torchères W3

Tall ornamental stands for candlesticks or candelabra used in the 18th century and usually set on tripod bases.

250 Gresham Oregon

Gersham tinyurl.com/gresham-transposal

A boy's name which is a variant of Gershom (Hebrew), and the meaning of **Gersham** is "exile".

251 Clearwater Florida

raw treacle tinyurl.com/clearwater-transposal

This occurs in the heading for a recipe for something called Italian Jumbles: "Italian Jumbles, or Brandy Snaps —6 lbs of flour, 7 lbs of good rich sugar, 1 1/4 lb of butter or lard, 2 oz of ginger or allspice, 6 lbs of **raw treacle**." The recipe then follows in considerable detail. The heading and recipe first appeared in *The Complete Biscuit and Gingerbread Baker's Assistant*, published in London in 1854.

252 Lowell *Massachusetts*

W Lello tinyurl.com/lowell-transposal

A form of the name William Lello, listed on various census and ancestry websites.

253 West Jordan Utah

Jon Steward tinyurl.com/westjordan-transposal

The name of various individuals appearing on several social networking websites, especially Facebook and LinkedIn.

254 Pueblo Colorado

Blue Op tinyurl.com/pueblo-transposal

In its Arts, Crafts & Sewing > Beading & Jewelry-Making > Beads & Bead Assortments section, Amazon.com lists an item called 'Pony Beads, **Blue Op**, 6 x 9mm, 1000pc package'. **Blue Op** seems to be the colour of the beads.

255 Ventura California

vaunter W3

One that boasts.

256 Fairfield CA California

Radcliffe IA tinyurl.com/fairfieldCA-transposal

There is no transposal of 'Fairfield', so the state abbreviation for California (CA) has been added to the city name. Radcliffe is a city in Hardin County, Iowa - hence, **Radcliffe IA**. The population was 545 at the 2010 census.

257 West Covina California

W Stanovice tinyurl.com/westcovina-transposal

The western part of Stanovice, a village and municipality in Trutnov District in the Hradec Králové Region of the Czech Republic.

258 Billings Montana

Bill Sing tinyurl.com/billings-transposal

A named individual on Facebook.

259 Murrieta California

Arretium Webster's Geographical Dictionary

The ancient Latin name of Arezzo, a city and commune in Italy.

260 High Point *North Carolina*

IHOP night tinyurl.com/highpoint-transposal

An **IHOP night** is a special night held at any of the numerous IHOP (International House of Pancakes) outlets, perhaps with reduced prices, or to raise money for a specific charity.

There are many IHOP nights listed on Facebook.

IHOP thing tinyurl.com/highpoint-transposal-2

An **IHOP** thing is some quality or aspect of the food or service at an IHOP. There are many websites where customers can provide feedback about aspects of their local IHOP. One particular customer review says "Rest of the staff seemed in good moods as well, maybe a Virginia Beach thing, or an **IHOP** thing. I think the former as we've been to many IHOP's that lacked similar basic service perks."

261 Round Rock Texas

Round Cork tinyurl.com/roundrock-transposal

A type of coaster for putting glasses on. **Round Cork c**oasters are available in packages of 6. Round Corks are ideal for commercial, craft and home use and are popular as coasters. 4 inch Round Corks are great for use under small vases and small potted. Manufactured from fine Portuguese cork.

262 Richmond California

Mirchond tinyurl.com/richmond-transposal

Mīr-Kh^vānd, Moḥammad ibn Kh^vāndshāh ibn Maḥmūd (1433/1434–1498) was a noted Persian-language historian of the fifteenth century. He is known in English also as Mir Khvand and in Latin and Greek as **Mirchond**.

263 Cambridge Massachusetts

G MacBride tinyurl.com/cambridge-transposal

The name of various individuals listed on social networking and census websites.

264 Norwalk California

rank low tinyurl.com/norwalk-transposal

A phrase appearing almost half a million times in an internet search, although not appearing in any dictionary. It typically appears in news headlines such as "Alaska Cities **Rank Low** in Equal Rights Survey", "Americans **Rank Low** in Health Study", "US Internet Speeds Still **Rank Low** on Global Scale " and "Republicans **rank low** on food policy

scorecard"

265 Odessa Texas

Adesso tinyurl.com/odessa-transposal

A brand of footwear.

266 Antioch California

cathion W2

An erroneous form of 'cation', a positively charged ion.

Chatino W3

An Indian people of Oaxaca state, Mexico.

haction tinyurl.com/antioch-transposal

A movie genre composed of the two genres of "action" and "horror", although in most cases there is more action than horror.

267 Temecula CA California

A cute camel tinyurl.com/temeculaCA-

• transposal

There is no transposal of 'Temecula', so the state abbreviation for California (CA) has been added to the city name. **A cute camel** is the title given to a specific photo uploaded to the TripAdvisor website.

268 Green Bay Wisconsin

Ray Benge tinyurl.com/greenbay-transposal

Raymond Adelphia Benge, (1902-1997) - Ray Benge - was a pitcher for the Cleveland Indians (1925–26), Philadelphia Phillies (1928–32 and 1936), Brooklyn Dodgers (1933–35), Boston Bees (1936) and Cincinnati Reds (1938).

269 **Everett** Washington

> Revette tinyurl.com/everett-transposal

A surname of various individuals appearing on numerous social networking websites,

especially Facebook and LinkedIn

270 Wichita Falls Texas

> Witicha Falls tinyurl.com/wichitafalls-transposal

A frequent spelling error for Wichita Falls, appearing over 85,000 times in a Google search. The example referenced here is from a university website and is in large bold letters - you'd think a university might be able to spell the placename correctly!

271 **Burbank CA** California

> A Brunback tinyurl.com/burbankCA-transposal

There is no transposal of 'Burbank', so the state abbreviation for California (CA) has been added to the city name. A Brunback is a form of the name Annette Brunback, an individual from Lubbock, Texas.

272 **Palm Bay** Florida

> lampbay.net Lampbay

Lampbay Lighting is a Chinese high-tech corporation, integrating the R&D, manufacture and sale of LED lighting. It supplies professional LED lighting and technology solutions to clients. Its main products include LED bulbs, LED spotlights, LED downlights, etc.

273 **Centennial CO** Colorado

> **Alien Connect** tinyurl.com/centennialCO-transposal

There is no transposal of 'Centennial', so the state abbreviation for Colorado (CO) has been added to the city name. According to the itunes website, Alien Connect is a piece of software available for the iPhone and iPad which will find your near friends through bluetooth location.

274 **Daly City** California

> City Lady tinyurl.com/dalycity-transposal

The name of a women's clothes boutique, located in Enniskillen, County Fermanagh, Ireland.

275 Richardson Texas

> **Chris Doran** tinyurl.com/richardson-transposal

Christopher "Chris" Doran, from Waterford, Ireland, was the winner of Ireland's "You're a Star" 2003-2004 talent search competition to find Ireland's Eurovision Song Contest entry. The show was aired on RTÉ.

276 **Pompano Beach**

> Pompona Beach tinyurl.com/pompanobeach-transposal

A frequent spelling error for Pompano Beach, appearing over 2,000 times following a Google search. The example referenced here is from the website of an Indian restaurant you'd think they'd be able to spell the name of the city in which they were located!

Broken Arrow 277 Oklahoma

> tinyurl.com/brokenarrow-transposal **Brook Warner**

The name of various individuals listed on social networking and census websites.

Brook Warren tinyurl.com/brokenarrow-transposal-2

The name of various individuals listed on social networking and census websites.

Warner Brook tinyurl.com/brokenarrow-transposal-3

The name of a horse stables providing a range of equine services - eg boarding horses, trail riding, riding lessons, training, etc, in Mount Jewell, Pennsylvania.

Warrenbrook *tinyurl.com/brokenarrow-transposal-4*The name of a golf course located in Warren, New Jersey.

278 North Charleston South Carolina

Charles Thornton tinyurl.com/northcharleston-transposal

Charles Inglis Thornton, (1850-1929), or **Charles Thornton**, nicknamed "Buns", was an English cricketer who played more than 200 first-class matches in the later 19th century, for no fewer than 22 different teams.

279 West Palm Beach Florida

best whale camp tinyurl.com/westpalmbeach-transposal

Read all about the **Best Whale Camp** For Budding Marine Biologists at the website

referenced here.

280 Boulder Colorado

doubler W3

One that doubles.

281 Rialto California

Litaro tinyurl.com/rialto-transposal

The name of a restaurant in Paris. Its address is 32, rue Delambre, 75014 Paris, France.

Lorita tinyurl.com/rialto-transposal-2

A genus of moths belonging to the subfamily Olethreutinae of the family Tortricidae.

oil tar W2

A tar formed in the manufacture of oil gas.

tailor W3

One whose occupation or business is making or altering men's or women's outerwear.

tar oil W3

Any of various oils obtained from tar (as coal tar or pine tar) usually by distillation.

Triola tinyurl.com/rialto-transposal-3

This is a children's musical instrument, a hand-tuned single tone wind harmonica, manufactured by C. A. Seydel Söhne in Klingenthal, Germany.

282 Santa Maria California

Aram Satian tinyurl.com/santamaria-transposal

An Armenian classical composer and popular music songwriter, born in 1947.

Atarsamain tinyurl.com/santamaria-transposal-2

An astral deity of uncertain gender, worshipped in the pre-Islamic northern and central Arabian Peninsula.

Sima Tarana tinyurl.com/santamaria-transposal-3

An Afghan singer originally from parwan. She is popular in Afghanistan and Tajikistan. She currently resides in Canada from where she continues her music career.

283 El Cajon California

Jane Col tinyurl.com/elcajon-transposal

At coordinates 60°42'S 45°38'W, **Jane Col** is a col to the west of Jane Peak at the head of Limestone Valley on Signy Island in the South Orkney Islands. It was named in association with Jane Peak by the UK Antarctic Place-Names Committee.

284 Davenport lowa

Andover Pt tinyurl.com/davenport-transposal

A shortened form of Andover Point, a street address in Roaming Hills, Ohio.

285 Erie Pennsylvania

Eire W3

Another name for the Republic of Ireland.

285 Las Cruces NM New Mexico

USRC McLane's tinyurl.com/lascrucesNM-transposal

No transposal here for Las Cruces, so the state abbreviation for New Mexico (NM) has been added, giving us 'Las Cruces NM'. USRC McLane (in full: United States Revenue Cutter McLane) was one of 13 cutters of the Morris-Taney Class to be launched in 1833. It was named for Louis McLane, the tenth Secretary of the Treasury of the United States. USRC McLane was noted for her beautiful deck finish and cabinet work. The transposal shown here, **USRC McLane's**, is the possessive form of the ship's name.

287 South Bend Indiana

boundeths wordincontext.com/en/boundeth

boundeth is the archaic third-person singular of the verb 'bound'. On the website wordincontext.com there are currently 3 **boundeths**, ie 3 occurrences of the word

'boundeth'

288 Flint *Michigan*

lin ft www.thefreedictionary.com/lin+ft

An abbreviation for 'linear foot'.

289 Kenosha Wisconsin

Hökåsen tinyurl.com/kenosha-transposal

A locality situated in Västerås Municipality, Västmanland County, Sweden with 2,956

inhabitants in 2010.

Khoesan tinyurl.com/kenosha-transposal-2

The term **Khoesan** is used to refer to a set of languages spoken by fewer than 500,000 people in Southern and Eastern Africa. The defining feature of these languages is their use

of consonants known as clicks.

Shenako tinyurl.com/kenosha-transposal-3

A highland village in the eastern Georgian region of Kakheti, close to the border with Dagestan, Russia.

And here's the latest group of 21 places with populations bursting through the 100,000 mark:

290 Allen Texas

ellan OED
An old name for an elk.
nalle OED

A pre-17th century Scots spelling of 'nail'.

neall OED

A pre-17th century spelling of 'nail'.

nella OED

An early Middle English spelling of the verb 'nill'.

291 Clinton

non-clit tinyurl.com/clinton-transposal

Michigan

A shortened form of 'non-clitoral', a term used on various sex-related websites.

292 Clovis California

Scovil Dictionary of American Family Names, Oxford University Press, 2013

A surname.

Volsci W3

A people of ancient Italy dwelling between the Latins and Samnites and becoming part of

the Roman republic about 373 BC.

293 Davie Florid

Advie Ordnance Survey Gazetteer of Great Britain, third edition

A small village in Strathspey, in the Highland Council Area of Scotland.

Devia tinyurl.com/davie-transposal-1

A genus of Iridaceae first described in 1990; it contains only one known species, *Devia xeromorpha*, endemic to the south-western part of Cape Province in South Africa.

Ediva Times Index Gazetteer

A place in Angola.

Vaide Times Index Gazetteer

A place in the former USSR.

Vedia Times Index Gazetteer

A place in Argentina.

294 Edison New Jersey

Deinos W2

A vase or vessel with a rounded base and without handles, used as a cinerary urn.

Denios Times Index Gazetteer

The plural form of 'Denio', places in Nevada and Oregon.

Desino tinyurl.com/edison-transposal-1

A mountain village in the municipal unit of Aroania, Achaea, Greece; in 2011, it had a

population of 37.

Die Son tinyurl.com/edison-transposal-2

An Afrikaans-language South African tabloid reporting sensational news essentially after the model of British tabloids.

diones OED

A Middle English spelling of 'dionise', a precious stone, of a black colour streaked with red, reckoned by mediæval writers to be a preservative against drunkenness.

does in W3

Ruins, cheats, kills.

Donsie W3

Unlucky.

Edonis tinyurl.com/edison-transposal-3

A supercar created by Italian automobile manufacturer B Engineering; the Edonis is based on the Bugatti EB110 Super Sport.

Eidson tinyurl.com/edison-transposal-4

An unincorporated community located on the north side of Clinch Mountain in Hawkins County, Tennessee.

Enodis tinyurl.com/edison-transposal-5

A British multinational food-making equipment manufacturing company headquartered in London; it was acquired by the American machinery manufacturer Manitowoc in October 2008

Inodes W3

A genus of fan palms comprising various arborescent palmettos of the southern US, the West Indies, and Mexico that are now usually included in the genus *Sabal*.

Noised W3

Talked loudly.

no-side W2

In Rugby football, signifying the end of a game (or session of play).

Onside OEL

Of a player (especially in football, hockey, or rugby): in or from a position on the field where the ball or puck may lawfully be played; not offside.

Sendio tinyurl.com/edison-transposal-6

A California-based e-mail security company; the privately held company was founded in 2004.

side-on W3

With one side facing in a given direction especially toward the observer.

Sioned tinyurl.com/edison-transposal-7

A Welsh girl's given name.

295 Greeley Colorado

grey eel tinyurl.com/greeley-transposal

A greenish freshwater fish.

296 Hillsboro Oregon

Boor Hill's tinyurl.com/hillsboro-transposal

The possessive form of Boor Hill, a hill in the Highland county, Scotland.

297 Jurupa Valley California

No transposal found.

298 Lakeland Florida

all-naked OED

Fully naked.

299 League City Texas

City League tinyurl.com/league-city-transposal

A European league built on physical e-sports venues.

300 Lewisville Texas

Lille views tinyurl.com/lewisville-transposal

Views over the French city of Lille.

301 Renton Washington

no-rent W2

Occurs in the term 'no-rent land', land yielding no economic rent.

Ronnet tinyurl.com/renton-transposal-1

A commune in the Allier department in Auvergne in central France.

tonner W3

An object (as a ship) having tonnage.

tornen OEL

A Middle English form of the verb 'turn', appearing in a 1320 quotation.

Trenno tinyurl.com/renton-transposal-2

A district of Milan, Italy, part of the Zone 8 administrative division of the city; it borders on green areas to the north and west (on the Boscoincittà city park) and to the south (on the Parco di Trenno); to the east, it is adjacent to the Gallaratese district; before being annexed to Milan, in 1923, it was an autonomous *commune*.

tronen OED

A Middle English form of the verb 'throne', appearing in a 1400 quotation.

302 San Angelo Texa

Sango Lane tinyurl.com/san-angelo-transposal-1

One of the neighbourhoods of Lyari Town in Karachi, Sindh, Pakistan.

Sean Logan tinyurl.com/san-angelo-transposal-2

A Democratic politician and former member of the Pennsylvania State Senate who represented the 45th District from 2001 until his resignation on August 24, 2010, to accept a job at the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center.

303 San Mateo California

Easton, MA Times Index Gazetteer

A town in Massachusetts.

304 Sandy Springs Georgia

springy sands tinyurl.com/sandy-springs-transposal

This description of nereids (sea-nymphs) appears online: They fly from the windy voices of the clouds, Most they love sleek seas and springy sands.

305 Sparks Nevada

Srpska tinyurl.com/sparks-transposal

One of two constitutional and legal entities of Bosnia and Herzegovina, the other being the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

306 Tuscaloosa Alabama

Lousa Costa tinyurl.com/tuscaloosa-transposal

A name appearing on Facebook.

307 Tyler Texas

lyter OED

A 15th-17th century spelling of 'lighter', a boat, vessel or barge.

lytre OED

A 16th century spelling of 'litre', a pound weight. **Rytel** tinyurl.com/tyler-transposal-1

A village in the administrative district of Gmina Czersk, within Chojnice County, Pomeranian Voivodeship, in northern Poland; it lies approximately 9 miles west of Czersk, 11 miles east of Chojnice, and 55 miles south-west of the regional capital Gdańsk.

Teryl tinyurl.com/tyler-transposal-2

A female given name; one example is Teryl Rothery, a Canadian actress, best known for her role as Dr. Janet Fraiser on *Stargate SG-1*.

tryle OED

A 15th century spelling of 'trill' a noun of uncertain meaning.

308 Vacaville California

No transposal found.

309 Vista California

Ivats tinyurl.com/vista-transposal-1

A Bulgarian noble and military commander in the late 10th and early 11th century; he served three Bulgarian Emperors - Samuil (997-1014); Gavril Radomir (1014–1015) and Ivan Vladislav (1015–1018).

Tavis tinyurl.com/vista-transposal-2

A male given name; one example is Tavis Smiley, an American talk show host and author; Smiley was born in Gulfport, Mississippi; he worked during the late 1980s as an aide to Tom Bradley, the mayor of Los Angeles.

Vasti tinyurl.com/vista-transposal-3

The plural of 'vastus'; **vasti** are the three separate skeletal muscles located in the thigh; the three muscles are vastus intermedius, vastus lateralis and vastus medialis, and are located in the middle, on the outside and inside of the thigh, respectively. Although W3 and medical dictionaries list vastus, none shows a plural form.

Vitas OED

The plural of 'vita', a biography, the history of a life. The -s plural form appears in a 1979 quotation taken from the journal *American Speech*.

Vitsa tinyurl.com/vista-transposal-4

One of the largest villages of central Zagori, Greece; it is situated at an altitude of 955 metres on a mountain slope near the Vikos gorge with roads linking it to Greek National Road 6; Vitsa is famous for its old double-arched bridge of Missios.

310 Woodbridge Connecticut

big redwood tinyurl.com/woodbridge-transposal

The following headline appears in a New Zealand news website in August 2018: Big redwood in Taradale gets the chop.

Eight of the 310 city names proved too difficult for me. They are: Cincinnati, Jersey City, Pembroke Pines, Rancho Cucamonga, Thousand Oaks, West Valley City, Jurupa Valley, and Vacaville. While it's possible to transpose these to mere collections of words (for example, Pembroke Pines = random pipe knobs), these have no obvious meaning, and aren't findable in dictionaries or on websites. If anyone can find transposals for these eight names, or can offer improvements or additions to the other 302 city names, please let *Word Ways* know.