

GOBBLEFUNK

Gobblefunk is the language created by Roald Dahl to give the BFG his unique voice. It is comprised of silly words that are similar to words found in the English language and are used when ordinary words just won't do.

The filmmakers were initially concerned that the words would make the characters' dialogue too confusing for the audience to understand. "We didn't want it to stop people from listening and trying to understand a line of dialogue because they just didn't get it," explains executive producer Kathleen Kennedy, "But after hearing how Mark Rylance spoke it, we all wanted more."

The actor wanted more of the language as well, and he wanted to repeat the words so that they actually became part of his character's strict vernacular. "He wasn't just pulling things out of his hat," says Rylance. "The BFG has words that he uses for certain things and he repeats them in his life."

A Gobblefunk Glossary

Cannybully	Cannibal	Jiggyraffes	Giraffes
Chatbags	Chatterbox	Majester	Majesty
Chidlers	Children	Murderful	Murderous
Crickety Crackety	Sound of cracking bones	Phizzwizards	Happy dreams
Delumptious	Delicious	Rummytot	Nonsense
Despunge	Deplore	Rumpledumpus	Rumpus
Earbursting	Loud	Scrumdiddlyumptious	Scrumptious
Figglers	Fingers	Scuddling	Scurrying
Froboscottle	Carbonated soft drink where bubbles float downwards rather than upwards	Skumping	Worried
Frumpinkin Fry	Pumpkin Pie	Sloshfunking	Like godforsaken
Giggler	Little Girls	Snozzcumber	A gruesome vegetable only found in Giant Country
Glummy	Yummy	Splitzwiggled	Caught
Glumptious	Scrumptious	Swalloped	Swallowed
Golden Phizzwizard	A wonderful dream	Swigpill	Swill
Hippodumplings	Hippopotamus	Swizzfiggling	Deceiving
Hipswitch	Hence/Straightaway	Telly-telly Bunkum Box	Television
Human Beans	Human Beings	Trogglehumper	A horrible nightmare
Humbug	Humble	Whiffing	Going off to somewhere
Humplehammers	Something that is very big	Whizzpopper	Fart
Jabbeling	Babbling	Whopsey	Adjective similar to little or trifling