Lexicon

- Definition.
- Language speakers have internalized mental dictionaries from which they make selections in constructing utterances. Does our brain work exactly the same way as dictionary?
Lexicon

- much more structured with links between phonological forms and the meaning of the items.

This is what linguists refer as lexicon.

What does it contain?

All signs whose meaning is not predictable, whether they are:

- single morphemes, words or combination of words
Lexicon

- Some examples.
  + Derivational morphemes (Normalize, Shipment…)
  + Inflectional morphemes (Jumps, started)
  + Complex words (Black-board, penknife)
  + Idioms

Let's see some interesting ones
Idioms

- Some ENGLISH IDIOMS
Clipping
Acronyms and abbreviations
Blending