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Word of the Day - for Toastmasters everywhere  
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# **guffaw**

(verb and noun) guf-OR

To laugh raucously; a loud raucous laugh.

She was still pondering this, as well as thinking about Faye Hamilton and the long difficult journey through pregnancy that lay ahead, when she became aware that Dr Russell was laughing to himself - just a quiet chuckle at first, but as he realised she was watching him and saw her bemused expression the sound grew to a full-throated and resonant **guffaw**.

Lilian Darcy, *A Private Arrangement*.

There are moments of genuine humor provided by a clueless King Cymbeline (Richard Bourg in a **guffaw**-producing, though occasionally unintelligible, performance) and his vain and boorish stepson, Cloten, (pronounced â€œClottenâ€• to rhyme with rotten, and played accordingly by a very funny Mark H. Dold).

Naomi Siegel, *The New York Times*, 17 December 2006. New York Times

After that, they tied us up like salami and lowered us down to the valley without talking to us but stopping often to drink, and curse, and **guffaw** among themselves.

Primo Levi, *Bear Meat* in *A Tranquil Star*.