

Mark Forsyth

Writer

Born in London in 1977, Mark Forsyth (a.k.a The Inky Fool) was given a copy of the Oxford English Dictionary as a christening present and has never looked back. His book *The Etymologicon* was a Sunday Times Number One Bestseller and was followed by *The Horologicon* and *The Elements of Eloquence*. He has written *A Christmas Cornucopia* on the origins of Christmas traditions and *A Short History of Drunkenness*. His TED Talk 'What's a snollygoster?' has had more than half a million views.



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