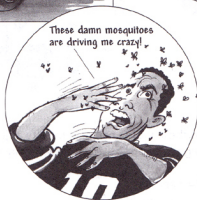
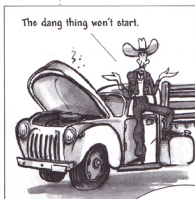


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Friggin' Intense

In Unit 27 you saw some expressions that people use to add emphasis, including words like **darned** and **darned**. Forms of these words are used in other ways to show what you think about something, usually when you don't like it.



Darned, darned, and danged are often used before a noun to show that the thing you are talking about is annoying you. Because people don't pronounce these words carefully, the *-ed* is sometimes dropped: **darn, damn, dang**. Some people think **damn** is offensive; most people think **goddamn** (which is used the same way) is offensive.

Frigging (friggin'), fricking (frickin'), freaking (freakin'), and flaming (flamin') are also used before nouns, often to show that you're annoyed. These words are all substitutes for **fucking**, which is used in the same way but is rude and offensive.