

### 1. modus operandi n.

A method of operating or functioning. A person's manner of Working. M.O. His modus operandi was to wait until the last minute to complete the work.

#### 2. ad infinitum adv.

To infinity; having no end.

He could bore us with details ad infinitum!

#### 3. terra firma n.

Solid ground; dry land.

After the dangerous flight it was good to be on terra firma again.

#### .4. ex nihilo adv

Out of nothing.

God spoke creation into existence, ex nihilo.

### 5. ex post facto n.

Formulated, enacted, or operating retroactively.

The tax credits were to be administered ex post facto.

# 6. <u>corpus</u>n.

A large collection of writings of a specific kind or on a specific subject.

Thetwo volume set was a corpus on the subject of biochemistry

# 7. ad hominem adj.

Appealing to personal considerations rather than to logic or reason:

Debaters should avoid ad hominem arguments that question their opponents' motives.

# 8. ipso facto adv.

By the fact itself; by that very fact.

Judas' hanging of himself was an ipso facto admission to his guilt.

# 9. <u>et aı</u> n.

et alii = and others

The document was sent to the lawyer, the heirs, the creditors et al.

### 10.anno Domini adj..

AD in the year of the Lord.

John the Beloved was exiled to Patmos in 96 anno Domini.