
Subject: What is the deal with Q-tips?
Posted by [MUDKIPS](#) on Sat, 31 May 2008 18:54:23 GMT
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What is the deal with Q-tips?

They're not Qs and they're not tips.

Subject: Re: What is the deal with Q-tips?
Posted by [nikki6ixx](#) on Sat, 31 May 2008 18:56:58 GMT
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They used to be called Baby Gays.

The mystery deepens.

Subject: Re: What is the deal with Q-tips?
Posted by [InternetThug](#) on Sat, 31 May 2008 18:57:28 GMT
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this doesn't make sense, where does the term QTIP come from, it's one of the greatest mysteries of this world - like how many licks it takes to get to the tootsie roll center of a tootsie pop

Subject: Re: What is the deal with Q-tips?
Posted by [warranto](#) on Sat, 31 May 2008 18:59:13 GMT
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http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cotton_swab

Quote:The word "Q-tip" means "Quality tip", with "tip" referring to the cotton tips at the end of the stick.

Subject: Re: What is the deal with Q-tips?
Posted by [MUDKIPS](#) on Sat, 31 May 2008 19:03:49 GMT
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wikipedia

Subject: Re: What is the deal with Q-tips?
Posted by [InternetThug](#) on Sat, 31 May 2008 20:10:57 GMT
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i don't believe a single word wikipedia says, unless i'm writing a school report.

Subject: Re: What is the deal with Q-tips?
Posted by [GEORGE ZIMMER](#) on Sat, 31 May 2008 20:34:58 GMT
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Subject: Re: What is the deal with Q-tips?
Posted by [Caveman](#) on Sat, 31 May 2008 20:37:27 GMT
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Q-Tips :S They're called cotton buds from where I am and it makes sense.. lol

Subject: Re: What is the deal with Q-tips?
Posted by [Carrierll](#) on Sat, 31 May 2008 20:47:07 GMT
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Caveman wrote on Sat, 31 May 2008 21:37Q-Tips :S They're called cotton buds from where I am and it makes sense.. lol

Good old UK.

See America? If you had kept our version of the language, then it'd make sense!

Subject: Re: What is the deal with Q-tips?
Posted by [Doitle](#) on Sun, 01 Jun 2008 02:22:47 GMT
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I don't think Cotton Bud makes much sense either.

When you say Cotton Bud I picture this, not a Q-tip.

Subject: Re: What is the deal with Q-tips?

Posted by [Canadacdn](#) on Sun, 01 Jun 2008 05:38:20 GMT

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Don't stick them in your ears, damnit!

Subject: Re: What is the deal with Q-tips?

Posted by [Veyrdite](#) on Sun, 01 Jun 2008 05:59:50 GMT

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NSStRyKeR wrote on Sun, 01 June 2008 06:10i don't believe a single word wikipedia says, unless i'm writing a school report.

Lol! Unfortunately most schools have banned the use of Wikipedia.

Subject: Re: What is the deal with Q-tips?

Posted by [Blazer](#) on Sun, 01 Jun 2008 07:20:21 GMT

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http://www.associatedcontent.com/article/108704/the_history_of_qtips_cotton_swabs.html

Quote:Leo Gerstenzang's original cotton swab was a wooden stick with cotton wrapped around both ends. He named his invention "Baby Gays" and he founded the Leo Gerstenzang Infant Novelty Company in New York City. Gerstenzang sold the disposable cotton swabs in bundles.

It's not known why Gerstenzang chose that name. Obviously, the term "gay" didn't have the same meaning as it does today. Apparently not happy with his first choice, the inventor later added "Q-Tip in front of "Baby Gays." The "Q" supposedly stands for "quality." The word "tips" refers to the cotton at the ends.

Finally, Gerstenzang shortened the name of his cotton swabs to just "Q-Tips" and that name has never changed.

Subject: Re: What is the deal with Q-tips?

Posted by [_SSnipe_](#) on Mon, 02 Jun 2008 05:13:54 GMT

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100 PLECOS wrote on Sat, 31 May 2008 22:38Don't stick them in your ears, damnit! coming from a guy who likes things up there!

Subject: Re: What is the deal with Q-tips?

Posted by [Goztow](#) on Mon, 02 Jun 2008 06:36:10 GMT

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Ssnipe and Cabal8616: both a warning for spamming. It's it not up to you guys to decide when a topic needs to move to spam fest. It's the same as the whole plecosp thing: do not do it.

Subject: Re: What is the deal with Q-tips?
Posted by [KristyGirl](#) on Thu, 05 Jun 2008 19:17:11 GMT
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They are great, they get all of that wax out of the ears.
