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Replay: Top 12 Lingo Phrases Only U. S. Virgin Islanders Would Understand

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Every nation has its own dialect or lingo--a unique way native people talk among themselves that brings a special perspective to the discussion at hand.

The USVI is no different. Check out the top 12 lingo phrases that only Virgin Islanders would understand. When was the last time you used any of these?

Looking for your friend to hang out with, but can't find him? Here's what you'd ask:

Weh pah u deh?

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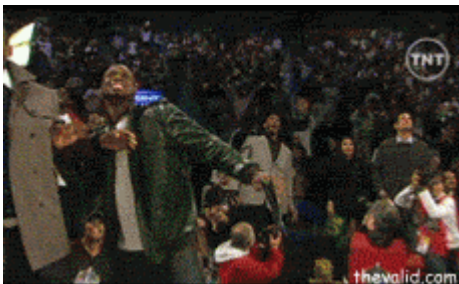
You see a nice car with hot rims, a paint job and a proper sound system? You don't say, 'Man, this car looks nice!' Oh no, no no! You'd say:

Da fam kriss!



Something amazing just happened:

Mehson!



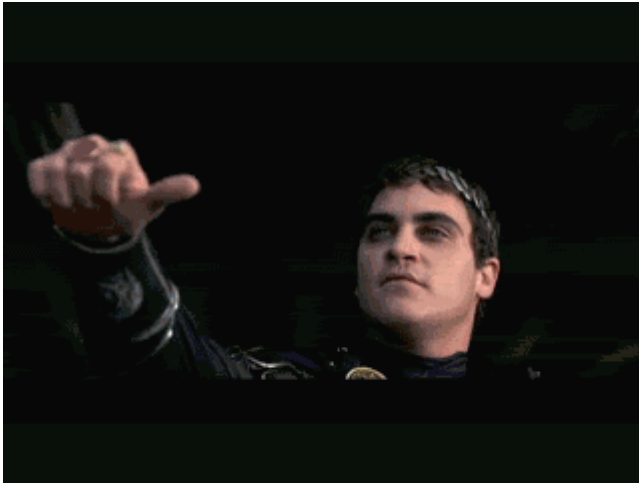
Dude's getting on your nerves and you just can't take it any longer?

Aye, da man..



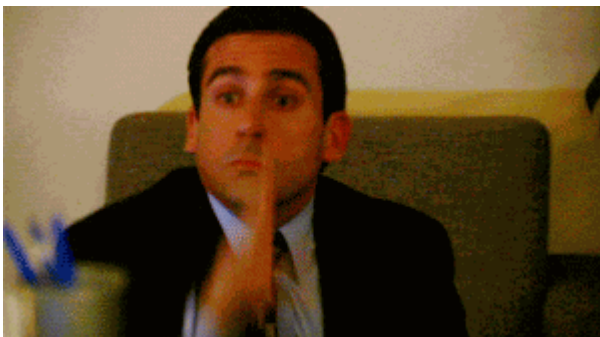
You're looking at a terrible performance:

Da fam salt, ya!



Your so-called friends are trying to get you to do something illegal:

Meen in dat!



When a person is acting the fool:

Usa a clung, da man!



A group of people:

Ayo.

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You see someone you don't really know that you'd like to speak to? You don't say, 'hello, come here please'. Nope. You'd say:

Aye, check ya nuh?

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Let's get out of here:

Leh we gan, man!

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You want someone out of your face? Simply say:

Geh from ya!



A friend asks how you are doing, you don't say, 'I'm here.' Say instead:

I deh deh.

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These are just a few of the phrases that make up the rich lingo and culture of the US Virgin Islands; there are lots more. Share some of your favorites in the comments section below.