These slang words and phrases are used by criminals and police officers in the UK. Are there similar slang words and phrases for these things in your language?

**Angler:** a thief who uses a rod or pole to steal from ground-floor windows.

**Bamber, to do a:** UK police expression which means to make a mistake.

**Blag:** a violent robbery or raid; the act of using clever talk or lying to get something

**Brief:** a solicitor or barrister

**C.P.S.:** Crown Prosecution Service

**Con:** convict, confidence trick

**Cush:** savings to fall back on. From cushion.

**Datastreaming:** a growing crime where a hacker obtains credit card details to create counterfeit cards.

**Down, going:** to be sent to prison

**End:** share proceeds from a crime.

**Front:** a person with a clean criminal record who provides an acceptable face for a known criminal who is the real owner of a club or business.

**Gate fever:** the emotion shown by a prisoner nearing the end of his sentence.

**Grass:** an informer

**Hobbit:** a prisoner who complies with the system.

**Icecream:** a narcotic.

**Jumper:** a thief who steals from offices.

**Kremlin:** New Scotland Yard.

**Lag:** a person who has been frequently convicted and sent to prison. Often 'old lag'.

**Local nick:** police station

**Lump, The:** building site fraud to avoid payment of income tax.

**M.O.:** modus operandi. The way in which a criminal commits a crime.

**Nick:** to arrest someone

**Nut:** the expenses incurred by a thief setting up a robbery or theft.

**Obbo:** police observation on criminals.

**Padding:** unscrupulous police practice of adding to a drugs haul to upgrade an arrest and ensure a conviction.

**Q.E.:** Queen's evidence. An accomplice in a crime giving evidence in the hope of a lighter sentences.

**Ramp:** a police search or a criminal swindle.

**Shoulder-surfing:** stealing pin numbers at cashpoints for use later with copied cards.

**Slammer, the:** prison.

**Snitch:** informer

**Sorted:** everything is organised eg: 'It's sorted.'

**Supergrass:** a very important Mafia informer

**Time, to do:** to serve a prison sentence

**TWOC:** to take without the owners consent. A Twocer is someone who steals vehicles etc.

**Upstairs:** to be convicted at the crown court. The dock is reached by climbing the stairs form the cells.

**VPU:** Vulnerable prisoner unit, used to keep prisoners likely to be victimised away from other prisoners.

**Window warrior:** a prisoner who constantly shouts from his cell window.

**YOIs:** Young offenders institute.

**Zombie:** a particularly nasty prison officer - more dead than alive.