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More

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From the Author All my life, I've enjoyed reading historical romances, from the moment I discovered *Jane Eyre* on my grandmother's bookshelf and fell in love with Mr. Rochester. When I found Georgette Heyer, I thought I was in heaven. When romance publishers took a turn toward the Regency period, I read historicals as an escape from writing contemporary romance. (I got the same feel-good payoff as I did from chocolate, but with fewer calories.)

I followed up my historical fiction habit by reading history, social commentary, diaries, and period literature. So when I started writing Regency-era historicals, I felt reasonably well informed about the Regency period - the etiquette, the language, the manners, the food, the titles. I'm not fool enough to think I know it all, of course, but I did believe I was alert and knowledgeable enough to recognize potential pitfalls in time to look them up.

It came as a bit of a shock, therefore, when I got the copy-edited manuscript of *The Mistress' House* and realized how many of the phrases and terms I'd thought were ancient were not used until well after the Regency period. Here are a few of them, and the dates when the authorities in the dictionary business say they first appeared:

brandy snifter - 1844

pick-me-up - 1867

footloose - 1873

sadist - 1888 (I'd have sworn the Marquis de Sade was Georgian, not Victorian, so it never occurred

to me to look him up to make certain. Color me red-faced.)

hairstyle - 1913

French doors - 1917

love nest - 1919

hideaway - 1926

pablum - 1948 (Okay, I admit this one *really* hurts. I was off by a *hundred and thirty* years?)

Though these errors have all been fixed, my ego is still wounded and my self-esteem has slipped...
But at least I knew enough not to let my Regency heroine use *ego* and *self-esteem* to describe her
state of mind!

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