

personal english



Word #9

Mojo

Don't worry,
baby: I've got
my mojo!



Oh, Austin: I
know you
do...

Mojo is a word of **African** origin that entered English in the **1920s** through the **Southern American Creole culture**. In particular, the word seems to be related to Gullah *moco*, '**witchcraft**', which sprinkles a tinge of magic on the idea of possessing an ability or a quality that causes a person to **excel** or to have **good luck**.