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Parapluie (French) similarly consists of para combined with pluie, which means 'rain' (which in turn derives from pluvia, the Latin word for rain).

Hence, a parasol shields from sunlight while a parapluie shields from rain.

The word umbrella evolved from the Latin umbra, meaning 'shaded' or 'shadow'.

The Oxford English Dictionary records this as happening in the 17th century, with the first recorded usage in 1610.

In Britain, umbrellas were sometimes referred to as "gamps" after the character Mrs. Gamp in the Charles Dickens novel Martin Chuzzlewit as the character was well known for carrying an umbrella, although this usage is now dated or obsolete.

Brolly is a slang word for umbrella, used often in Australia, Ireland, Kenya, New Zealand, South Africa, and the United Kingdom.

Bumbershoot is a rare and fanciful Americanism from the late 19th century.

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