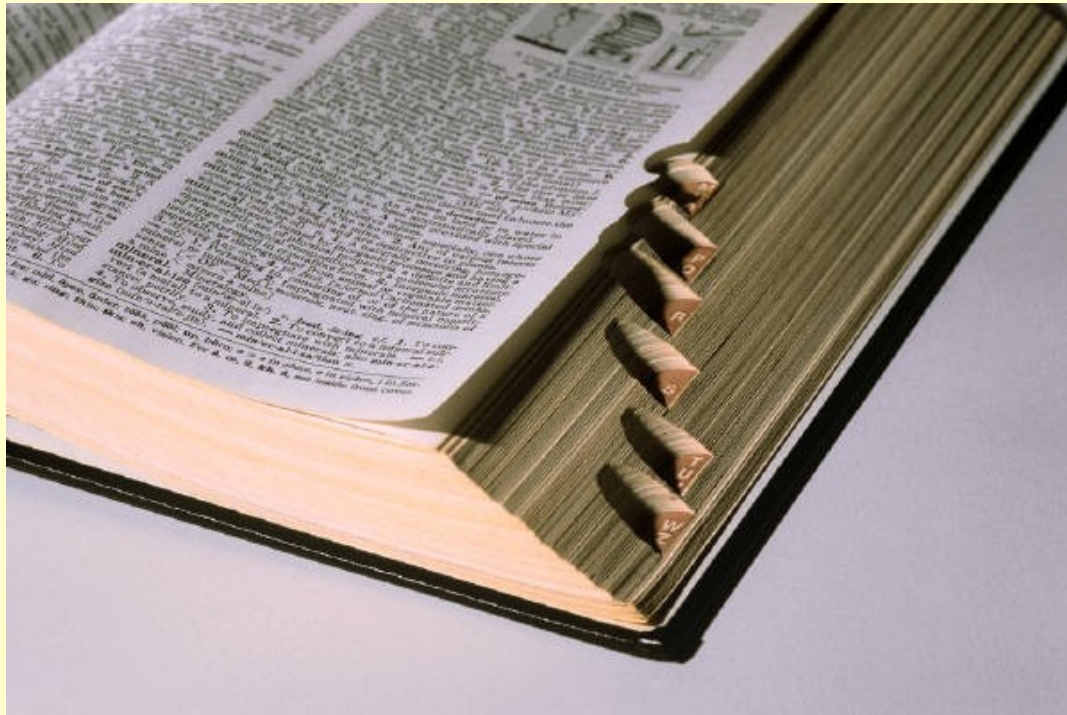


What is a dictionary?



A **dictionary** is a book of words. The words listed in a **dictionary** are called **entries** and are printed in dark black print. **Entries** or words are arranged in ABC order.



Each **entry** includes the spelling, meaning, pronunciation, use, language of origin, and sometimes a picture of the word.

Example:

pedal (ped' l) n. {from Latin, *pedis*, "foot"} **1.** a foot device for powering a bicycle or other machine. **2.** a foot-operated device of a musical instrument

pedal vb pedaled *a/so* pedalled; pedaling pedalling **1.** to use or work the pedals of something **2.** to ride a bicycle



The dictionary will also give you the plural form of a word.

Example:

horse \ 'ho(e)rs \ n. *p/* **horses**

The diagram shows the word 'horse' and its plural form 'horses' with phonetic notation and part of speech. A red label 'part of speech' has a line pointing to the 'n.' (noun) abbreviation. Another red label 'plural' has a line pointing to the 'p/' (plural) abbreviation.

We use a **dictionary** to

- ❖ find the meanings of words.
- ❖ find out the correct spelling of words.
- ❖ find out how to pronounce or say words.
- ❖ find out what part of speech a word is.
- ❖ to find the plural(s) of words



A **dictionary** is divided into three parts. A beginning, middle and end.

- ❖ Beginning of dictionary is letters **A - H**
- ❖ Middle of dictionary is letters **G - L**
- ❖ End of dictionary is letters **M - Z**



guide

What is the definition for the word guide?

How is a guide used?

Who/What are examples of guides?

Guide Words

Guide Words are the words at the top of every page in the dictionary. They tell you the first and last word on the page. The word on the left is the first word on the page. The word on the right is the last word on the page.

Directions: For each set of guide words, decide if the numbered words would be between them on a dictionary page.

start-stop

2. real	yes	no
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2. startle	yes	no
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blow-bolt

2. boat	yes	no
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2. block	yes	no
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cheese-church

2. chase	yes	no
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2. chimp	yes	no
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will-wonder

2. wild	yes	no
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2. wonders	yes	no
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The guide words on a dictionary page are birthday and black. Which word would be found on this page?

- a. billow
- b. biscuit
- c. bide
- d. bind

The guide words on a dictionary page are jail and jasper. Which word would be found on this page?

- a. jangle
- b. jawbone
- c. jade
- d. jay

The guide words on a dictionary page are angler and annex. Which word would be found on this page?

- a. annual
- b. answer
- c. ancient
- d. angry

The guide words on a dictionary page are pasta and path. Which word would be found on this page?

- a. pastor
- b. past
- c. patrol
- d. pattern

The guide words on a dictionary page are snowflake and soar. Which word would be found on this page?

- a. soda
- b. sob
- c. soak
- d. snowdrift

The guide words on a dictionary page are snail and sniffle. Which word would be found on this page?

- a. smash
- b. smug
- c. snip
- d. sneak

The guide words on a dictionary page are pile and pincers. Which word would be found on this page?

- a. pillow
- b. pike
- c. piece
- d. pincher

The guide words on a dictionary page are tap dance and tart. Which word would be found on this page?

- a. tantrum
- b. tank
- c. tease
- d. tarantula

The guide words on a dictionary page are horror and host. Which word would be found on this page?

- a. horrid
- b. house
- c. horse
- d. housefly

The guide words on a dictionary page are would and wrestle. Which word would be found on this page?

- a. wrinkle
- b. wrecker
- c. wrong
- d. wort

The guide words on a dictionary page are jumper and justice . Which word would be found on this page?

- a. jump
- b. justify
- c. junk
- d. judicial

The guide words on a dictionary page are fold and foot. Which word would be found on this page?

- a. footfall
- b. forearm
- c. foggy
- d. follow

The guide words on a dictionary page are innards and insect. Which word would be found on this page?

- a. input
- b. inn
- c. inspector
- d. inside

The guide words on a dictionary page are warble and wart hog. Which word would be found on this page?

- a. wane
- b. wallet
- c. warrant
- d. wash

The guide words on a dictionary page are mermaid and metal. Which word would be found on this page?

- a. metallic
- b. message
- c. merit
- d. metric

The guide words on a dictionary page are custodian and cuttlefish. Which word would be found on this page?

- a. cycle
- b. cypress
- c. curlew
- d. cutoff

The guide words on a dictionary page are gob and golly. Which word would be found on this page?

- a. golden
- b. gone
- c. goat
- d. gong

The guide words on a dictionary page are outbound and outline. Which word would be found on this page?

- a. ouch
- b. outright
- c. over
- d. outhouse

The guide words on a dictionary page are teaspoon and telephone. Which word would be found on this page?

- a. telescope
- b. temper
- c. tattoo
- d. teenage

The guide words on a dictionary page are iceberg and identity. Which word would be found on this page?

- a. ice
- b. idle
- c. ice age
- d. ideal

The guide words on a dictionary page are cane and cop. Which word would be found on this page?

- a. cape
- b. canopy
- c. candy
- d. captain

The guide words on a dictionary page are eraser and escalator. Which word would be found on this page?

- a. erupt
- b. erase
- c. ether
- d. escape

The guide words on a dictionary page are key and kidnap. Which word would be found on this page?

- a. kickoff
- b. kilt
- c. kettle
- d. kidney

The guide words on a dictionary page are nosebleed and nothingness. Which word would be found on this page?

- a. notice
- b. notch
- c. novel
- d. nose

The guide words on a dictionary page are anklet and answer. Which word would be found on this page?

- a. ankle
- b. anthill
- c. another
- d. angel