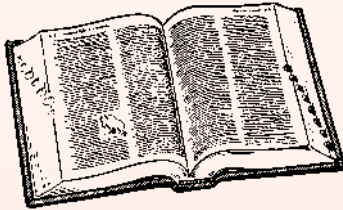


Using the Dictionary



A **dictionary** is a big book with many words. It tells us many things about words. We can find out how to spell and pronounce words. It also tells what words mean.

The first **American** dictionary was written by Noah Webster. He listened to how people said and used words. He finished the first American dictionary in 1828.

The words in a dictionary are in alphabetical order. All the words that start with **a** are first. Then you will find all the **b** words. Next are all the **c** words.



A Write a word that begins with each letter.

○ 1. **a**

b

American (ə • mĕr • ĭ • kən) something or someone from America

dictionary (dĭk • shə • nĕr • ě) a book of words with their meanings and pronunciations

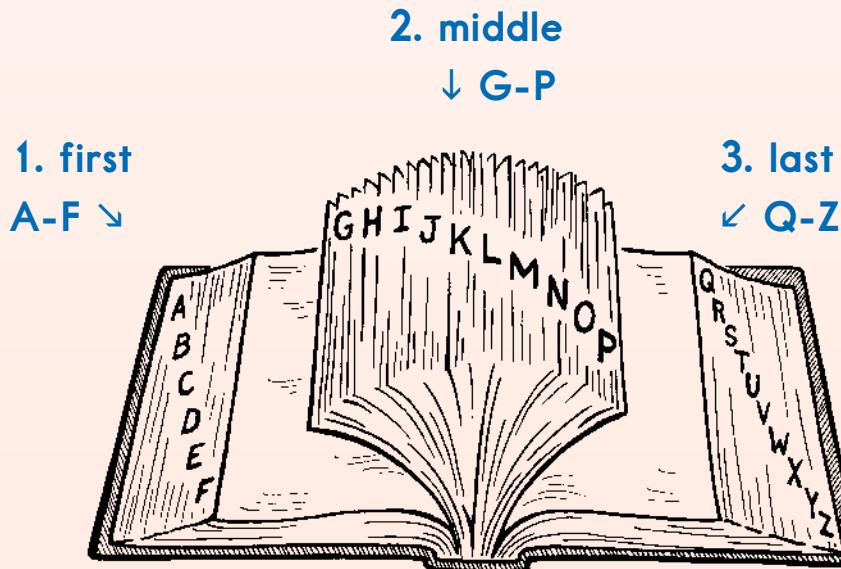


○ 2. c

d

Parts of a Dictionary

You can divide the dictionary into three parts to make it easier to find words. Think in which part of the dictionary you would find a word, before you start to look it up.



B Look at the dictionary. Draw a line from each word to the part of the dictionary in which you would find each word.

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|------------|------------|---------|
| 3. phone • | • first • | • blank |
| school • | • middle • | • laugh |
| four • | • last • | • tough |
| again • | | • north |

△ **C** Find your words from Numbers 1 and 2 in a dictionary.

H Write three titles of respect.

11.

I Put a period or question mark after each sentence.

12. Who wrote the first American dictionary

13. Noah Webster wrote the first American dictionary

14. How is a dictionary useful

15. A dictionary tells us how to pronounce words

J Divide the words between the prefix, root word, and suffix.

16. unhealthy became unwrap smallest enlargement
exchange heavenly planted wasteful repainting

K Put two lines under the verbs that do not show action.

Circle present or past to tell when it happened.

17. Luke was in the orchard. present past

18. They were by the bridge. present past

19. Jonathan is on the class photo. present past

Penmanship

L Trace and copy.

○ 20.

E C O A P R

○ 21.

*Eve lived in the
garden of Eden.*



Spelling

M Write a spelling word to complete each sentence.

22.

_____ and _____ Smith

took a _____ of the second graders.

23.

I think the bus will come in one _____ .

24.

We learn _____ in _____ .

25.

_____ is a beautiful time of the year.

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N Write Section 3 spelling words on other paper.