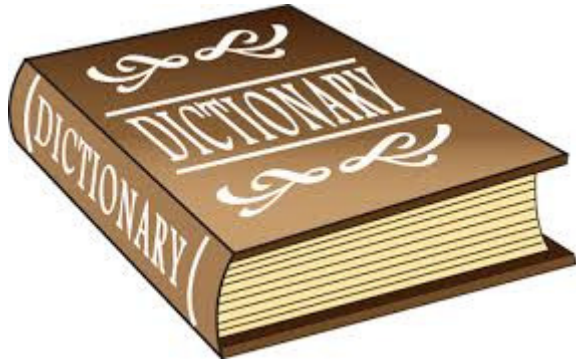


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Study Skills Worksheet

When you learn how to use a dictionary you increase your ability to find the information that is needed for classwork, and everyday living.



A good dictionary can help you do the following:

- look up the meaning of an English word;
- check the spelling of a word;
- check the plural of a noun or tense of a verb;
- find out other grammatical information about a word;
- find the synonym or antonym of a word;
- check the part of speech of a word;
- find out how to pronounce a word; and
- find out examples of the use of a word in natural language.
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You must practice using the dictionary. Finding words in a dictionary is easy. If you want to find a word, think whether you would find the word in the front, middle, or back.

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Exercise: Observe the page from a dictionary below. Complete the following tasks:

1. Find and write the meaning of the following words:

a. Sirocco -

b. Sixpence -

c. Sire -

2. How do you pronounce “*sirene*”?

3. Check the part of speech of “*sixfold*”.

4. Check the spelling of the following words. Tick if correct and correct if wrong.

a. Sixcore

b. Sizeable

c. Sirrah

5. What is the plural of sister-in-law? _____

6. Which sentence uses the word in bold correctly?

a. We will set up camp here on this **site**.

b. What a great **sight** to set up camp!

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- commander-in-chief of the British forces in India.
- sire** (sir), *n.* a title of respect used in addressing the sovereign; father; head of a family; male of beasts: *v.t.* to procreate. [French.]
- sireasis** (sir-i'a-sis), *n.* sunstroke; also exposure to the sun for remedial purposes. [Greek.]
- siren** (si'ren), *n.* one of certain fabulous nymphs in Southern Italy said to have sung with such sweetness that mariners were irresistibly lured to their destruction; hence a woman dangerous from her fascinating, enticing wiles; a foghorn, a South American eel-like amphibian: *adj.* pertaining to, characteristic of, or like, a siren; bewitching. [Greek.]
- sirene** (si-rēn'), *n.* an instrument for ascertaining the number of vibrations per second corresponding to a note of given pitch.
- Sirius** (sir-i-us), *n.* the dog-star.
- sirloin** (sēr'loin), *n.* the loin, or upper part of the loin, of beef.
- sirocco** (si-rok'ō), *n.* [*pl.* siroccos (si-rok'ōz)], a hot, relaxing wind, from the Libyan deserts.
- sirrah** (sir'a), *n.* a term of reproach or contempt. [French.]
- sisal-grass** (sis'al-gras), *n.* the prepared fiber of the American aloe, used for cordage, &c.
- siskin** (sis'kip), *n.* a kind of finch.
- sis** (sis), *n.* a hissing noise: *v.i.* to make a hissing noise.
- sister** (sis'tēr), *n.* a female born of the same parents as another person; a female fellow-Christian; a female of the same religious society, order, or community; nun; one of the same kind or condition.
- sisterhood** (sis'tēr-hood), *n.* sisters collectively; number of females belonging to the same religious society, &c.
- sister-in-law** (sis'tēr-in-law), *n.* [*pl.* sisters-in-law], the sister of one's husband or wife; wife of one's brother.
- Sisyphean** (sis-i-fē'an), *adj.* pertaining to Sisyphus, condemned by Pluto to roll to the top of a hill a stone which incessantly fell back when it had reached the summit; hence incessantly recurring; vainly toilsome. [Greek.]
- sit**, *v.i.* [*p.t.* & *p.p.* sat, *p.pr.* sitting], to rest on the lower part of the trunk of the body; perch; rest or lie; repose on a seat; press or weigh; occupy a seat officially; be officially engaged; incubate; hold a session: *v.t.* to sit upon; snub.
- site** (sit), *n.* local position or situation; ground-plot.
- sitting** (sit'ing), *adj.* resting on the haunches; perching; incubating: *n.* the state, posture, or act of one who sits; a seat in a church, &c.; a session; time during which one sits; set of eggs for incubation.
- situate** (sit'ū-āt), *adj.* placed.
- situated** (sit'ū-ā-ted), *adj.* having a position; placed with respect to any other object.
- situation** (sit'ū-ā'shun), *n.* position; locality; circumstances; office; employment.
- sitz-bath** (sits'bath), *n.* a bath for bathing in a sitting posture.
- Siva** (sē'va), *n.* a god in the Hindu triad, appearing with Brahma and Vishnu. Siva is the destroying god, and his emblem is a bull. See Brahma.
- six** (siks), *adj.* one more than five: *n.* the number greater by one than five; the symbol representing 6 units.
- sixfold** (siks'fōld), *adj.* six times as many or as much.
- sixpence** (siks'pens), *n.* a small British silver coin, value six pennies, or 12½ cents.
- sixpenny** (siks'pen-i), *adj.* worth sixpence.
- sixscore** (siks'skōr), *n.* & *adj.* six times twenty.
- six-shooter** (siks-shōōt'ēr), *n.* a six-chambered revolver.
- sixteen** (siks'tēn), *adj.* fifteen and one more.
- sixteenmo** (siks'tēn-mō), *n.* sextodecimo.
- sixteenth** (siks'tēnth), *adj.* next in order after the fifteenth.
- sixth** (siksth), *adj.* first after the fifth.
- sixtieth** (siks'ti-eth), *adj.* next in order after the fifty-ninth.
- sixty** (siks'ti), *n.* [*pl.* sixties (siks'tiz)], the product of six and ten: *adj.* ten times six.
- sizable** (siz'a-bl), *adj.* of considerable or suitable size.

äte, ärm, at, awl; mē, mērgē, met; mīte, mit; nōte, nōrth, not; bōōn, book; hūe, hut; think, then.