

Introduction

1. This dictionary will help you to be able to use English - English Dictionary well & use it in your studying.
2. The exercises will provide you with what information your dictionary contains & how to find as well use them quickly & correctly.

So you MUST:

1. make sure you **understand** the instruction of the exercise.
2. **check on** yourself by working out examples, using your dictionary.
3. Do it carefully but **quickly** as you can even if you think you know the answer.
4. always **scan** the whole entry first to get the general idea, then find the part that you're interested in.
5. **Read** slowly & carefully.
6. Help to make the learning process **interesting**.
7. If you make a mistake, **find out why**.

Remember, the more you use the dictionary, the more uses you will find for it.

Chapter one

Dictionary Entry

- Terms used in the Dictionary.
- Symbols used in the Dictionary.
- Different typfaces used in the Dictionary.
- Abbreviation used in the Dictionary.

1- Terms used in the Dictionary:

- What is Headword?
- What is an Entry?
- What is a Definition?
- What is a Compound?
- What is a Derivative?
- What information does an entry contain?

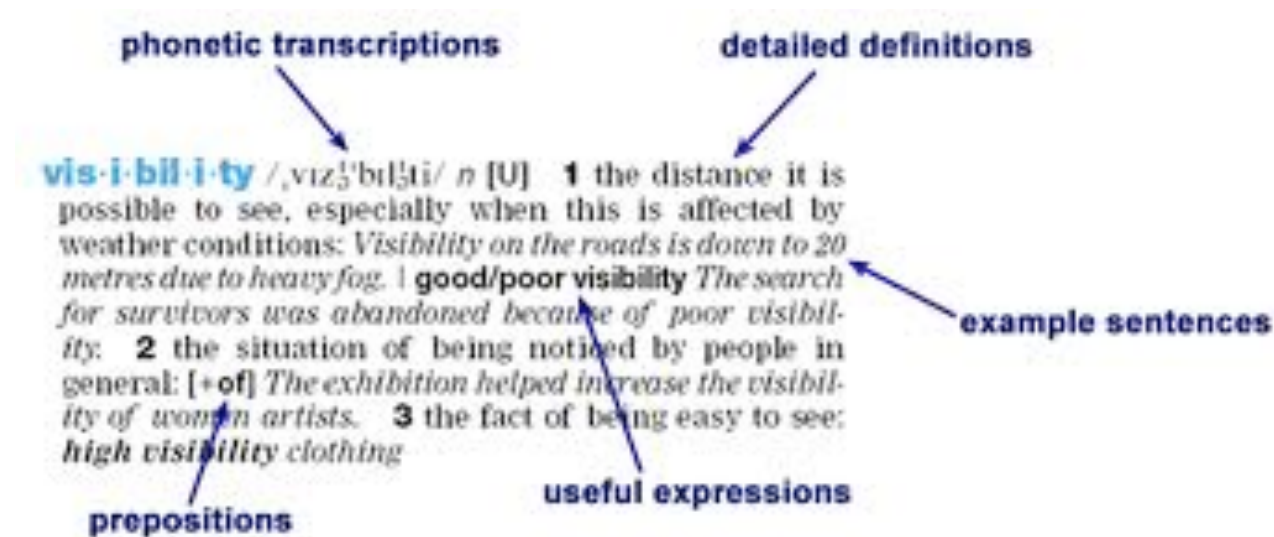
1- What is Headword?

It's the word you look up in a dictionary. Also, it's the name given to each of the words listed alphabetically.



2- What is an Entry?

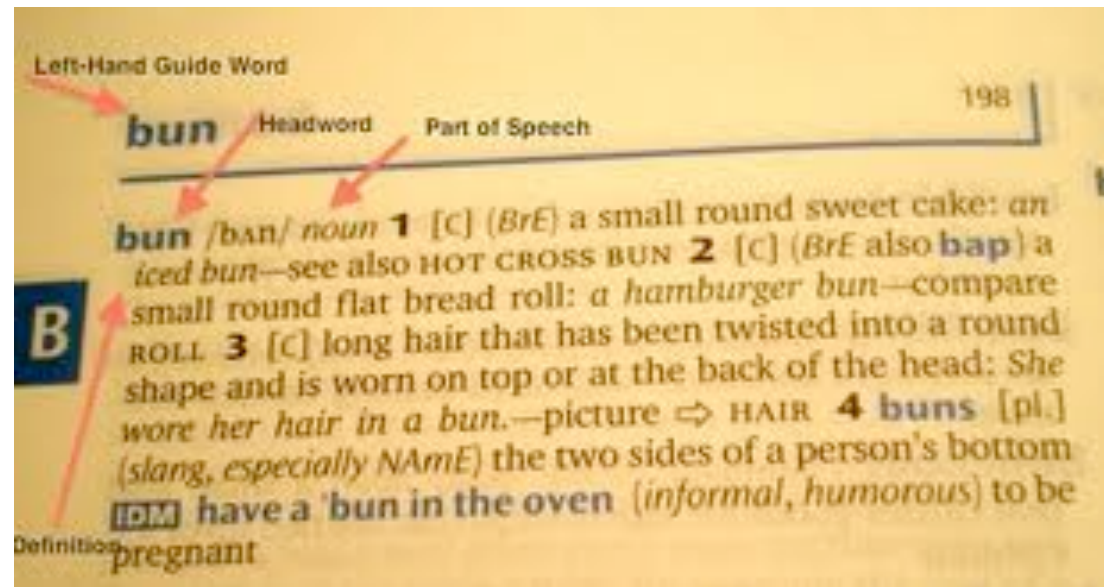
It consists of a headword & all the information about the headword.



3- What is a Definition?

It's a part of an entry which describes a particular meaning & usage of the headword.

* Sometimes you can find more one definition for the same headwords. These definitions are always numbered.



4- What is a Compound?

It is a combination of the headword & another word.

COMPOUNDS

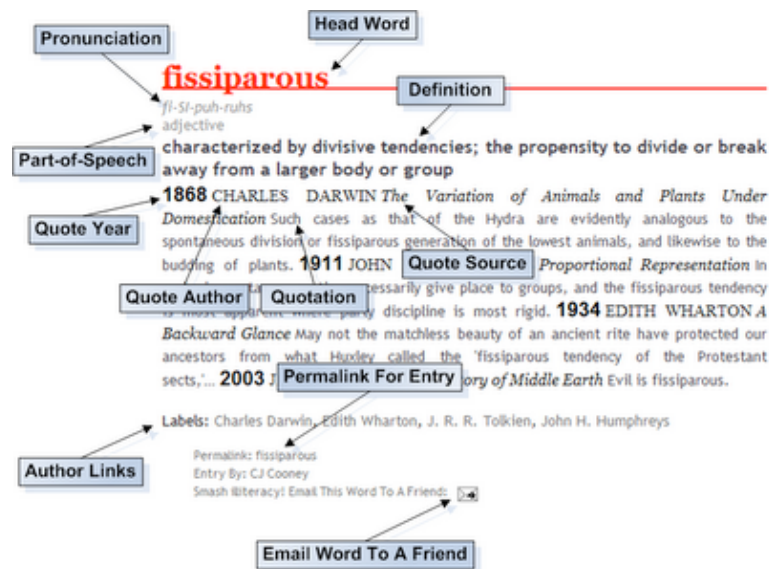
CLASSROOM CLASSTIME CLASSMATE
WHEELCHAIR
RAILWAY
UNDERGROUND UNDERWORLD
UNDERPANTS
SUBMARINE SUBTITLE SUBWAY
AIRPLANE AIRPORT
SPACESHIP SPACECRAFT SPACEMAN
SUNSHINE SUNGLASSES SUNSET SUNDAY

5- What is a Derivative?

It's a combination of the headword & suffix. (Love + ing)

6- What information does an entry contain?

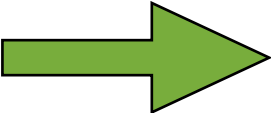
It contains all the information about the headword in 4 general areas of language: *Writing, Speaking, Grammar & Meaning*.




2- Symbols used in the Dictionary:



These are the most common 6 symbols are oftend used in the Dictionary.

1-  This symbol means to ‘*look at...*’ It indicates *a cross-reference* & inviting to look somewhere in your dictionary to notice a connection between two words.

2-  This symbol is used in an entry to show the change from one word class to another (*from noun to verb*).

- 3- = This symbol means ‘ *is the same as* ’ & it used to show an alternative word or spelling.
- 4- ~ This used instead of repeating the headword in an entry. It's called a ‘ *tilde* ’
- 5- / This symbol (called a *slant*) is used to show alternative words. the symbol used like sth/sb. That means either the word for a thing (*sth = something*) or the word for a person (*sb = somebody*) can be used in the expression.
- 6- () These are called parentheses. They are used to show optional words.

3. Different Yupe-faces used in the Dictionary:

look at your booklet page no. 9

4. Abbreviations used in the Dictionary:

It's a shortened way of writing a word. (PhD. - info.)

Look at page no. 12