

Dictionary Worksheet

Name _____

Dictionary Usage Learning Outcomes:

The student will be able to use a dictionary to

1. Determine/select the correct meaning and part of speech of a word encountered in reading.
2. Pronounce the word.
3. Explain its etymology

1. Dictionary's full title: _____

2. date of revision/publication? _____

3, 4, 5. Turn to the Table of Contents. List **three** sections of information that you are surprised to see in the dictionary besides the expected A-Z definitions:

6. Find the page number in your dictionary that tells what the abbreviations used by the dictionary stand for: _____

7-13 What words do these abbreviations stand for?

ME _____ *n.* _____ *fem.* _____ *esp.* _____

ESP _____ *poss.* _____ *usu.* _____

14. On what page in your dictionary is a full guide to **pronunciation**? _____

15,16. Write the dictionary pronunciation symbols for the word "**bacchant**" _____

Which word does the last syllable of bacchant **most** rhyme with?

chant **b.** cant **c.** cane

17,18. Write the dictionary pronunciation symbols for the word "**reveille**" _____

Which word does the last syllable **most** rhyme with?

veal **b.** vale **c.** lee

19. Using your dictionary's pronunciation key, write the **pronunciation** symbols of your first and last name: _____

20. How do you correctly spell "**ocurrence**"? (As in "It was the fifth **ocurrence** in as many days.")

21,22,23. From what language does the word "**map**" originally come? _____

How many different noun definitions are listed for "**map**"? _____

How many different verb definitions are listed for "**map**"? _____

24-30. From the dictionary entry for the word "**ode**" explain what the following etymology means. (Go back to the page that tells what the abbreviations used by the dictionary stand for, then write out the meaning of each symbol and each abbreviation.)

[Fr. < OFr. < LLat. *oda* < Gk. *aoide*, song.]

What is the part of speech and the meaning of the **underlined** term in the following sentences:

"All my life I've been registering scores like that, so that I have the **complacent** feeling that I'm highly intelligent, and I expect other people to think so, too."

31,32. **complacent** : P/S:_____ meaning:

,33. What other part of speech could this word be with a different spelling and in a different sentence?

"Mama Henderson was an **entrepreneur** who saw the opportunity to **augment** her income by building a general store right between the two places in town where she sold her popular meat pies to working men."

34,35. **entrepreneur**:P/S:_____ meaning:

36, 37. **augment**:P/S:_____ meaning:

38. Where is **Helgoland** ?_____

39. When did Marie Antoinette reign?_____