



Dictionary and Thesaurus Skills

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Grade: Grade 4

Part A: Fix the Sentence

Each sentence has an error. Rewrite it correctly on the line.

1. Fix the sentence:

Guide words at the top of a dictionary page show the last word on the previous page.

Rewrite: _____

2. Fix the sentence: Dictionary entries are arranged by the number of letters in each word.

Rewrite: _____

3. Fix the sentence: The pronunciation key in a dictionary tells you what a word means.

Rewrite: _____

Part B: Fill in the Blank

Write the missing word or number on each line.

1. Words in a dictionary are listed in _____ order from A to Z.
2. The two words printed at the top of each dictionary page are called _____ words.
3. A dictionary entry usually shows the word, its part of speech, and its _____.
4. To find a word quickly, look at its first two or three _____.

Part C: Short Answer

Answer each question in one or two complete sentences.

1. How do guide words help you find a word in the dictionary faster?

2. What information can you find in a single dictionary entry besides the definition?

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1. Fix the sentence:

Guide words at the top of a dictionary page show the last word on the previous page.

Rewrite: **Guide words at the top of a dictionary page show the first and last entry words on that page.**

2. Fix the sentence: Dictionary entries are arranged by the number of letters in each word.

Rewrite: **Dictionary entries are arranged in alphabetical order.**

3. Fix the sentence: The pronunciation key in a dictionary tells you what a word means.

Rewrite: **The pronunciation key in a dictionary tells you how to say a word correctly.**

Part B: Fill in the Blank

Write the missing word or number on each line.

- Words in a dictionary are listed in **alphabetical** order from A to Z.
- The two words printed at the top of each dictionary page are called **guide** words.
- A dictionary entry usually shows the word, its part of speech, and its **definition** .
- To find a word quickly, look at its first two or three **letters** .

Part C: Short Answer

Answer each question in one or two complete sentences.

1. How do guide words help you find a word in the dictionary faster?

Guide words tell you the first and last words on a page, so you can quickly decide if the word you need falls on that page without reading every entry.

2. What information can you find in a single dictionary entry besides the definition?

A dictionary entry can show the pronunciation, part of speech, example sentences, word origin, and sometimes a picture.
