



# Dictionary and Thesaurus Skills

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## Part A: Fix the Sentence

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

1. Fix the sentence:

An online dictionary does not show pronunciation because there are no pronunciation keys on a screen.

Rewrite: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Fix the sentence: A digital thesaurus only gives you one synonym for each word.

Rewrite: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Fix the sentence:

You do not need to know any spelling to use an online dictionary because it reads your mind.

Rewrite: \_\_\_\_\_

## Part B: Fill in the Blank

Write the missing word or number on each line.

- Many online dictionaries have an audio \_\_\_\_\_ that lets you hear the word pronounced.
- When you start typing a word in an online dictionary, it offers a list of \_\_\_\_\_ to choose from.
- A digital thesaurus often includes a link to the \_\_\_\_\_ entry for the same word.
- Online reference tools update more often than printed books, so they may include \_\_\_\_\_ words.

## Part C: Short Answer

Answer each question in one or two complete sentences.

1. Name one advantage of using an online dictionary instead of a printed one.

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2. Why should you still check the definition even when an online thesaurus suggests a synonym?

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**Part A: Fix the Sentence**

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

1. Fix the sentence:

*An online dictionary does not show pronunciation because there are no pronunciation keys on a screen.*

Rewrite: **An online dictionary can show pronunciation and even let you click a button to hear the word spoken aloud.**

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2. Fix the sentence: *A digital thesaurus only gives you one synonym for each word.*

Rewrite: **A digital thesaurus gives you many synonyms and often groups them by shade of meaning.**

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3. Fix the sentence:

*You do not need to know any spelling to use an online dictionary because it reads your mind.*

Rewrite: **You need to type at least part of the correct spelling so the online dictionary can suggest matching words.**

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**Part B: Fill in the Blank**

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Write the missing word or number on each line.

1. Many online dictionaries have an audio **button** that lets you hear the word pronounced.
2. When you start typing a word in an online dictionary, it offers a list of **suggestions** to choose from.
3. A digital thesaurus often includes a link to the **dictionary** entry for the same word.
4. Online reference tools update more often than printed books, so they may include **newer** words.

**Part C: Short Answer**

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Answer each question in one or two complete sentences.

1. Name one advantage of using an online dictionary instead of a printed one.

*An online dictionary lets you hear the pronunciation of a word by clicking a speaker icon, which a printed dictionary cannot do.*

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2. Why should you still check the definition even when an online thesaurus suggests a synonym?
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