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This bibliography describes dictionaries of the English language appropriate for grades K-12, as well as for college and college-bound students and unabridged dictionaries for reference use. Entries were selected from those materials submitted by publishers which received favorable reviews by educators. Information on each includes citation, price if available, grade level, and annotation. All of the dictionaries listed are displayed on tables of dictionary specifications based on information found in Kenneth Kister's "Dictionary Buying Guide." A second table including major distributors and their products is also included. (Author/JEG)

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ADVISORY LIST OF INSTRUCTIONAL MEDIA

DICTIONARIES OF THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE

This bibliography describes dictionaries of the English language appropriate for Grades K-12, for college students and college-bound students, and unabridged dictionaries for reference use.

Educators should bear in mind that dictionaries included on this list were selected from those which publishers submitted for evaluation and may assume that books available for purchase not appearing on the list either were not submitted for evaluation or received unfavorable reviews. Information about negative reviews, which do not appear on this bibliography, can be obtained by writing or calling the Materials Review and Evaluation Center.

Prices shown are those quoted by publishers and producers. Prices quoted do not include postage and are subject to change.

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PLEASE DO NOT ORDER BOOKS ON THIS LIST FROM THE MATERIALS REVIEW AND EVALUATION CENTER OR FROM THE DIVISION OF TEXTBOOKS. Sources of the dictionaries are listed on TABLE 2: MAJOR DICTIONARY PUBLISHERS/DISTRIBUTORS AND THEIR PRODUCTS, attached at the end of this bibliography.

Schools may use this list to aid in selection of materials but are in no way restricted to purchasing items included on this list.

PRIMARY

THE CHARLIE BROWN DICTIONARY. Charles M. Schulz. Collins+World, 1973. (Available from Prentice-Hall.) 399 p. \$6.39. Grades K-4

Charlie Brown, Lucy, Linus, and the gang star in this cheerful dictionary based on THE RAINBOW DICTIONARY (1947) by Wendell W. Wright; simple sentences effectively define word in context, using synonyms and antonyms--e.g., "Snoopy is outdoors. He is not in the house."; multiple meanings included; guide letters at top of each page; no pronunciations; large format; entertaining PEANUTS full-color drawings throughout; excellent print; wide margins; excellent for home, classroom, or library

THE GINN BEGINNING DICTIONARY. William Morris, editor in chief. Ginn, 1976. 352 p. \$4.15. Grades K-3

A true "beginning" dictionary, containing many rudimentary elements found in standard dictionary: definition of word, verb forms; excellent bold print, well spaced; each word briefly defined and often followed by illustrative sentence; multiple meanings included; some unusual entries--e.g., "aardvark," "Tick-tack-toe," "king of the hill"; no guide words, no pronunciations; colorful illustrations enhance without overpowering text; solid supplementary dictionary for reading centers and libraries, especially motivating for primary students curious about words, language

MY FIRST PICTURE DICTIONARY. Katherine Howard: Random House, 1978. unp.
\$.95 paper. Grades K-2

A read-aloud word book defining and illustrating nouns from "aardvark" to "zoo"; excellent, full-color pictures not only make meaning clear but also present several different examples of word's meaning--e.g., definition of airplane ("a vehicle with wings that travels through the air") is accompanied by pictures of five different models of planes from the Wright Brothers' to a supersonic transport; pictures stretch the word meaning, thus promoting generalization; unique resource for the primary child

MY FIRST PICTURE DICTIONARY. William A. Jenkins and Andrew Schiller. Scott, Foresman, 1975. 192 p. \$4.89. \$3.99 paper. exercise book \$1.35. teacher's edition and answer key \$1.68. Grades K-3

MY FIRST PICTURE DICTIONARY. rev. ed. William A. Jenkins and Andrew Schiller. Scott, Foresman, 1977. (Available from Lothrop.) 192 p. \$6.94. Grades K-3

Second title in Scott, Foresman beginning dictionary series; includes same words depicted in first book in series entitled MY PICTURE DICTIONARY, plus 276 new words, all arranged alphabetically in categories (e.g., animals, storybook characters, places); no definitions per se, instead short, simple sentences illustrate meaning and variants--e.g., picture of two people at sundown in boat with fishing line--"The people are still fishing. They fished all day."; illustrations bordering pages are colorful, clarifying, though uneven, some drawings being almost photographically accurate and detailed, others very crude and childlike; accompanying exercise book contains fill-in-the-blanks, multiple choice questions, opportunities to draw, etc.; designed especially for use with Scott, Foresman reading programs

MY PICTURE DICTIONARY. Marion Monroe and Andrew Schiller. Scott, Foresman, 1975. 95 p. \$3.63. \$2.76 paper. Grades K-1

Bright, stimulating "pictionary" of labeled drawings divided into nine natural groups for K-1 child: people, animals, storybook characters, what we do, things, places, colors, numbers, and words that help; each category color-coded; no definitions, rather a labeled, nonalphabetical collection of drawings--e.g., picture of wristwatch labeled "watch"; alphabet and digits appear on introductory page; almost photographically precise illustrations; no stereotyping of races, sexes, or ages in pictures; first title in Scott, Foresman beginning dictionary series and an abridged version of MY PICTURE DICTIONARY; useful in large or small reading readiness groups or by individual child after book has been introduced by teacher; also useful in primary grade reading centers

MY SECOND PICTURE DICTIONARY. William A. Jenkins and Andrew Schiller. Scott, Foresman, 1975. 384 p. \$5.97. \$5.40 paper. exercise book \$1.35. teacher's edition and answer key \$1.68. Grades 1-4

Third title in Scott, Foresman beginning dictionary series and first in series to list all entry words in alphabetical order and use guide words and other features to prepare children for dictionary usage: multiple meanings, syllabication, run-ons, cross-references, superscripts; no pronunciations; simple, succinct definitions; sample sentences illustrate words in context; boldface print distinguishes entry words; wide margins contain illustrations which sometimes obfuscate rather than clarify meanings--e.g., palmetto tree pictured looks more like a palm tree (artwork is least attractive feature); gazetteer at back of book pictures American states, their symbols, and countries bordering U. S.; accompanying exercise book designed to help child use dictionary independently; format of exercise book corresponds to text, facilitating child's checking own work; good title for introducing child to dictionaries if artwork is disregarded; primarily designed for use with Scott, Foresman reading programs

THE NEW GOLDEN DICTIONARY. Bertha Morris Parker. Golden Press, 1972. 118 p.
\$5.95. Grades K-3

Good supplementary dictionary for beginning readers which clearly illustrates concepts behind words defined; clear format; simple words defined in sentences illustrating words' uses; alphabet presented at bottom of each page with appropriate letter in color; for words such as "home," "animals," and "buildings," many examples shown from other countries, other times; contains page for parents and teachers and three pages of dictionary games; colorful, attractive; nice second-purchase or supplementary dictionary for classroom and home libraries

RICHARD SCARRY'S STORYBOOK DICTIONARY. Golden Press, 1966. 127 p. \$6.95.
Grades K-3

Typical, colorful Richard Scarry book full of whimsical animal characters and gentle humor designed for the very young beginning to be curious about words; contains approximately 2500 words, including variants; each boldface entry appears in a box with a simple sentence using the word--e.g., "Whiff dumped the garbage at the dump"; vividly drawn animal "people" engaged in pertinent activities further clarify meaning; omits guide words, other elements of standard dictionary; busy, crowded, colorful; an exceptional storybook

ELEMENTARY

THE GINN INTERMEDIATE DICTIONARY. William Morris, editor in chief. Ginn, 1976.
800 p. \$6.20. teacher's manual \$1.50. Grades 3-6

Emphasizes contemporary words and informal language requested by teachers and students; entries include "tacos," "hoagie," "up tight," "meathead"; occasionally words are used in sentences to clarify meaning; good introductory essay on Latin and Greek roots; lacks in-depth treatment of entries; useful for intermediate grades emphasizing current idioms; identical to XEROX INTERMEDIATE DICTIONARY

MACMILLAN BEGINNING DICTIONARY. Christopher G. Morris, editor. Macmillan, 1977.
800 p. \$8.13. teacher's edition \$8.88. practice book \$1.92. teacher's manual free. Grades 3-8

Excellent print, good binding, colorful illustrations that don't usurp basic verbal intent; brief, sensible definitions, sample sentence, phonetic pronunciation, part of speech, spelling of variants; descriptive paragraphs inserted throughout give etymology of unusual words; MACMILLAN DICTIONARY FOR CHILDREN (trade edition \$10.95) identical to this book without introductory section on dictionary skills; only difference from 1975 edition is updated illustrations (now multiracial, less sex stereotyping); sound, dependable dictionary for this age group; comprehensive, lucid; superior format; second only to SCOTT, FORESMAN BEGINNING DICTIONARY

SCOTT, FORESMAN BEGINNING DICTIONARY, DOUBLEDAY EDITION. E. L. Thorndike and Clarence L. Barnhart. Scott, Foresman, 1976. (Available from Doubleday.)
718 p. \$10.95. Grades 3-8

Most attractive, authoritative, and current dictionary available for elementary and middle school students; based on excellent THORNDIKE-BARNHART BEGINNING DICTIONARY; clear, concise definitions, numerous illustrative sentences and phrases; well-placed, attention-getting, colorful photographs and prints illustrate obscure words, provide comic relief; designed to attract and hold student; appealing reference; a must for library and classroom

WEBSTER'S ELEMENTARY DICTIONARY. G. & C. Merriam, 1977. (Available from American Book.) 612 p. \$6.27. teacher's edition \$7.32. Grades 3-8

One of authoritative Merriam-Webster dictionaries with clear definitions, helpful illustrative phrases, and etymologies; pedestrian graphics; not so attractive and appealing as Scott, Foresman or Macmillan dictionaries for same level of students

JUNIOR HIGH

THE AMERICAN HERITAGE SCHOOL DICTIONARY, American Heritage, 1972. (Available from Houghton Mifflin.) 992 p. \$8.95. teacher's guide \$.45. student activity book \$.75. teacher's edition \$.90. Grades 6-10

Some 35,000 entries drawn from computer analysis of books used in Grades 3-9; attractive, clear pages with wide yellow column down center of each page containing interesting etymological information and illustrations, photographs; does not include many current slang terms; concise but not full definitions; useful homonym identifications; contains more sports-related words than comparable Macmillan dictionary; good reference for middle school and junior high school students

MACMILLAN SCHOOL DICTIONARY. Macmillan, 1977. 1096 p. \$7.68. practice book \$1.92. teacher's guide free. Grades 6-10

Big bold print; color-accented illustrations on attractive, uncluttered pages; definitions written specifically for junior high users; includes extensive gazetteer and biographic information; contains more religious and Biblical entries than comparable American Heritage dictionary; a first priority for middle school dictionary purchase

THE RANDOM HOUSE DICTIONARY OF THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE, SCHOOL EDITION. Stuart Berg Flexner, editor in chief, and Eugene F. Shewmaker, managing editor. Random House, 1973. 932 p. \$6.50. teacher's guide \$1.65. Grades 6-10

Based on citation files used for Random House unabridged and college edition dictionaries, this volume compares favorably to other books on this level; extensive introductory study guide offers much instructional information on dictionary skills; reasonably clear definitions; 16-page color atlas in back of book; wide open typeface on clear page

THORNDIKE-BARNHART INTERMEDIATE DICTIONARY. 2nd ed. E. L. Thorndike and Clarence L. Barnhart. Scott, Foresman, 1974. 990 p. \$7.14. Grades 5-8

Another authoritative dictionary by experts, Thorndike and Barnhart, based on 1935 edition of THORNDIKE-CENTURY JUNIOR DICTIONARY; definitions specifically written in language students can understand; good, clean, uncluttered page; however, entries in bolder print would enhance appearance and use; excellent reference for junior high students

WEBSTER'S INTERMEDIATE DICTIONARY. G. & C. Merriam, 1977. (Available from American Book.) 910 p. \$6.81. teacher's edition \$7.89. Grades 6-10

Good Merriam-Webster reference with clean, straightforward page, few illustrations; does not contain biographic or geographic information; full definitions; few illustrative examples, but many synonyms offset their lack; not so comprehensive as other dictionaries on this level; possible second dictionary for classroom use

SENIOR HIGH

MACMILLAN DICTIONARY. William D. Halsey, editorial director. Macmillan, 1977. 1174 p. \$7.95. teacher's manual free. Grades 9-12

Reflects current American language and idioms in over 90,000 main entries, although few actual slang words; full definitions with many illustrative examples; most common meaning presented first; much information on synonyms; clear, instructional drawings; good etymological information; attractive, appealing page; good choice for secondary classroom

THORNDIKE-BARNHART ADVANCED DICTIONARY. 2nd ed. E. L. Thorndike and Clarence L. Barnhart. Scott, Foresman, 1974. 1186 p. \$7.98. Grades 9-12

Excellent, authoritative Thorndike-Barnhart dictionary reflecting current language in America, including slang words; based on the earlier THORNDIKE-BARNHART HIGH SCHOOL DICTIONARY; most common meanings listed first; clear, full definitions written especially for students; includes biographical and geographical entries; numerous examples; easy to understand pronunciation system; pleasing, three-column page design; black-and-white graphics; excellent print and binding; first priority for high school classrooms

WEBSTER'S NEW WORLD DICTIONARY OF THE AMERICAN LANGUAGE, SECOND COLLEGE EDITION. Special School Printing. David B. Guralnik, editor in chief. Collins+World, 1976. (Available from Prentice-Hall.) 1692 p. \$4.53. Grades 11 up

Identical to WEBSTER'S NEW WORLD, SECOND COLLEGE EDITION but at half the price; 158,000 entries stressing current American English spoken in U. S., much slang, latest codes (ex., "G" for "general audience"), and starred vocabulary identified as "Americanisms"--e.g., "one-armed bandit," "one-base hit"; full definitions; most extensive etymological information of any dictionary at this level; broad scope; only secondary volume printed on Bible-weight paper often used for semi-unabridged; for college-bound, not average, secondary student; see annotation for SECOND COLLEGE EDITION in college section

WEBSTER'S NEW WORLD DICTIONARY OF THE AMERICAN LANGUAGE, STUDENTS EDITION. David B. Guralnik, editor in chief. Collins+World, 1976. (Available from Prentice-Hall.) 1130 p. \$10.60. Grades 9-12

Based on WEBSTER'S NEW WORLD, SECOND COLLEGE EDITION, this book contains many of the same contemporary American words and features of that edition; designed for advanced junior high and beginning senior high students; extremely readable, attractive pages; clear, bold, san-serif type; no dictionary skills incorporated, but does include extensive introductory section on how to use the dictionary; appealing reference to span high school grades (see annotation for SECOND COLLEGE EDITION, Special School Printing)

WEBSTER'S STUDENT DICTIONARY. G. & C. Merriam, 1977. (Available from American Book.) 1105 p. \$7.47. teacher's edition \$8.85. Grades 9-12

Derived from citation files of WEBSTER'S THIRD NEW INTERNATIONAL DICTIONARY; contains words students encounter in textbooks and literature; full definitions; illustrative examples; extensive etymological information; extremely small black-and-white drawings are ineffective; acceptable print and binding; even though based on excellent Merriam-Webster files, it cannot compete with Thorndike-Barnhart; good second reference for high schools

COLLEGE

THE AMERICAN HERITAGE DICTIONARY OF THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE. William Morris, editor. American Heritage, 1973. (Available from Houghton Mifflin.) 1550 p. thumb-indexed \$14.95. Reference

This heavily promoted new dictionary first appeared in 1969 and has undergone major revisions since then; contains a range of words from Shakespeare to current language, concentrating on "contemporary American English"; does include four-letter words, labeled "vulgar" or "vulgar slang"; most essential meanings listed first; definitions highly readable, clear, though not so thorough as one might wish; illustrative quotations from DeFoe, Lewis, others; American Heritage does have unique "usage panel" made up of celebrities, not necessarily linguists, who give opinions on current changes in language; contains most illustrations of any comparable dictionary of this type; New College Edition is identical to this edition, except it is less expensive, smaller format, and not deluxe; for senior high students, suitable for college bound

THE RANDOM HOUSE COLLEGE DICTIONARY. rev. ed. Laurence Urdang, editor in chief, and Stuart Berg Flexner, managing editor. Random House, 1975. 1568 p. \$7.47. thumb-indexed \$8.22. Reference

Abridged from the larger RANDOM HOUSE DICTIONARY OF THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE, this dictionary contains the largest number of entries of all listed college titles (entry number does not necessarily indicate quality, as it can be inflated by long lists of prefixed derivative words--e.g., "unpardonable," "nonfederal"); includes many new scientific and technical terms, idioms, new coinages; also includes four-letter words; most frequently used meaning appears first; good, although sometimes vague, definitions; helpful illustrative sentences and phrases; clear, easy to follow pronunciation system; sharp, clean page; for senior high, suitable for college bound

WEBSTER'S NEW COLLEGIATE DICTIONARY. 8th ed. Henry Bosley Woolf, editor in chief. G. & C. Merriam, 1977. (Available from American Book.) 1536 p. \$10.72. Reference

Superior reference for high school and college students who require information on contemporary language; based on WEBSTER'S THIRD unabridged; many literary and scientific terms included; four-letter words also included to reflect contemporary culture; definitions listed in historic order; detailed definitions, illustrative sentences, numerous synonyms; attractive page design; dictionary owners can write Merriam-Webster regarding language questions; extensive encyclopedic information; purchasers should not confuse 8th Edition with unrevised, large-print new issue of 7th Edition; one of the two most outstanding semi-unabridged dictionaries

WEBSTER'S NEW WORLD DICTIONARY OF THE AMERICAN LANGUAGE, SECOND COLLEGE EDITION. David B. Guralnik, editor in chief. Collins+World, 1976. (Available from Prentice-Hall.) 1692 p. \$9.95. Reference

Concentrates on "Americanisms" (words specifically used in the U. S.) and idiomatic language, other current terms, labeling them "nonstandard," "slang"; also includes four-letter words; based on WEBSTER'S NEW WORLD DICTIONARY (1951), not on WEBSTER'S NEW TWENTIETH CENTURY DICTIONARY; lists meanings in historic order; clear definitions not always supported adequately with illustrative examples; an important "plus" is the excellent etymological information; modern, clean page design; some encyclopedic information; one of the two best semi-unabridged dictionaries

WORLD BOOK DICTIONARY. 2 vols. rev. ed. Clarence L. Barnhart and Robert K. Barnhart. World Book--Childcraft, 1977. 2430 p. \$59. Grades 7-12

Unique two-volume reference tool aimed at a wide age range of users and produced by authoritative Barnhart editorship; emphasizes words in current usage; includes slang but not four-letter words; most frequently used meanings listed first; definitions written in conversational, expansive manner; excellent, plentiful illustrations; dictionary specifically designed to complement WORLD BOOK ENCYCLOPEDIA--all words found in encyclopedia are listed in dictionary; for non-encyclopedia users as well as encyclopedia users; excellent for junior high users up through college students

UNABRIDGED

THE RANDOM HOUSE DICTIONARY OF THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE, unabridged ed. Jess Stein, editor in chief, and Laurence Urdang, managing editor. Random House, 1973. 2059 p. \$35. Reference

Though number of entries is small for an unabridged dictionary, this volume is a good choice for those interested in a modern reference tool emphasizing current usage; originally compiled in 1966, the book is comparable to and often exceeds others with older lineage; more frequently used meanings entered first; labels words liberally with "slang," "informal," and "nonstandard"; clear, accurate definitions, though not so thorough as WEBSTER'S THIRD (W3); many made-up illustrative sentences and phrases, but no quotations; adequate but not outstanding etymologies; extensive encyclopedic information; large, boldface print; pleasing, three-column page design; easy to use; at half the price and size of WEBSTER'S THIRD, this is an excellent library reference

WEBSTER'S THIRD NEW INTERNATIONAL DICTIONARY OF THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE. 3rd unabridged ed. Philip Babcock Gove, editor in chief. G. & C. Merriam, 1976. 2662 p. \$59.95. Reference

Most complete, authoritative dictionary available, deriving historically from Noah Webster's distinguished AMERICAN DICTIONARY OF THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE (1828); W3 first appeared in 1961 and includes words dating from 1755 (Dr. Johnson's dictionary), terms from famous literary works predating 1755 (e.g., Shakespeare), and recent scientific and technical terms; drops many prescriptive labels found in previous edition; terms "slang" and "colloquial" often replaced by "nonstandard"; lists meanings in historic order; excellent, thorough treatment of definitions; provides many illustrative phrases and contemporary quotations; very few words capitalized, instead labeled "usu cap"; extensive etymological information; three-column page attractive, easy to read; little additional encyclopedic information; size may intimidate student users, but this volume is the best unabridged dictionary on the market

TABLE 1

DICTIONARY SPECIFICATIONS*

PRIMARY Dictionary	Copyright Date	Price	Number of Entries	Entry Base	Number of Illustrations	Kind of Illustrations	Synonyms	Etymologies	Illustrative Sentences/ Phrases	Dictionary Skills
THE CHARLIE BROWN DICTIONARY	1973	6.39	2,400	1, 2	580	A	yes	no	yes	no
THE GINN BEGINNING DICTIONARY	1976	4.15	5,800	3	800	A	no	no	yes	no
MY FIRST PICTURE DICTIONARY (Random House)	1978	.95	500		250	A	no	no	yes	no
MY FIRST PICTURE DICTIONARY (Scott)	1975	4.89	856		744	A	no	no	yes	yes
MY FIRST PICTURE DICTIONARY. rev. ed. (Lothrop)	1977	6.94	856		744	A	no	no	yes	yes
MY PICTURE	1975	3.63	535	1	500	A	no	no	no	no
MY SECOND PICTURE DICTIONARY	1975	5.97	4,000	1	900	A	no	no	yes	no
THE NEW GOLDEN DICTIONARY	1972	5.95	1,712	1	2,000	A	no	no	yes	yes
RICHARD SCARRY'S STORYBOOK DICTIONARY	1966	6.95	700		1,000	A	no	no	yes	no

* Based on information found in Kenneth F. Kister's DICTIONARY BUYING GUIDE (1977), published by R. R. Bowker Company, New York, New York

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DICTIONARY SPECIFICATIONS*

ELEMENTARY	Copyright Date	Price	Number of Entries	Entry Base	Number of Illustrations	Kind of Illustrations	Synonyms	Etymologies	Illustrative Sentences/ Phrases	Dictionary Skills
Dictionary										
THE GINN INTERMEDIATE DICTIONARY	1976	6.20	34,000	3, 5, 6	1,400	B, D, E	no	no	yes	yes
MACMILLAN BEGINNING DICTIONARY	1977	8.13	30,000	3, 4	1,200	A, B	no	yes	yes	yes
SCOTT, FORESMAN BEGINNING DICTIONARY (Doubleday ed.)	1976	10.95	25,000	1, 2, 4	1,000	A, B, C, D	no	no	yes	yes
WEBSTER'S ELEMENTARY DICTIONARY	1977	6.27	32,000	1, 2	1,200	B	yes	200	yes	yes

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DICTIONARY SPECIFICATIONS*

JUNIOR HIGH	Copyright Date	Price	Number of Entries	Entry Base	Number of Illustrations	Kind of Illustrations	Synonyms	Etymologies	Illustrative Sentences/ Phrases	Dictionary Skills
Dictionary										
THE AMERICAN HERITAGE SCHOOL DICTIONARY	1972	8.95	35,000	3, 4	2,000	B, D	no	few	yes	yes
MACMILLAN SCHOOL DICTIONARY	1977	7.68	65,000	3, 4	1,500	E	no	no	yes	yes
RANDOM HOUSE DICTIONARY. SCHOOL EDITION	1973	6.50	47,000	1, 2, 4	1,200	B	yes	few	yes	yes
THORNDIKE-BARNHART INTERMEDIATE DICTIONARY. 2nd ed.	1974	7.14	56,700	1	1,300	B	no	no	yes	no
WEBSTER'S INTERMEDIATE DICTIONARY	1977	6.81	57,000	3, 4	700	E	yes	yes	yes	yes

* Based on information found in Kenneth F. Kister's DICTIONARY BUYING GUIDE (1977), published by R. R. Bowker Company, New York, New York

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DICTIONARY SPECIFICATIONS*

SENIOR HIGH Dictionary	Copyright Date	Price	Number of Entries	Entry Base	Number of Illustrations	Kind of Illustrations	Synonyms	Etymologies	Illustrative Sentences/ Phrases	Dictionary Skills
MACMILLAN DICTIONARY	1977	7.95	90,000	3, 4	1,800	E	yes	yes	yes	no
THORNDIKE-BARNHART ADVANCED DICTIONARY. 2nd ed.	1974	7.89	95,000	1	1,300	B	yes	yes	yes	yes
WEBSTER'S NEW WORLD DICTIONARY: SECOND COLLEGE EDITION. SPECIAL SCHOOL PRINTING	1976	4.53	158,000	1, 3, 4, 5	1,500	B	yes	yes	yes	no
WEBSTER'S NEW WORLD DICTIONARY: STUDENTS EDITION	1976	10.60	108,000	1, 3, 4, 5	1,500	B	yes	yes	yes	no
WEBSTER'S STUDENT DICTIONARY	1977	7.47	81,000	1, 3	535	B	yes	yes	yes	yes

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COLLEGE Dictionary	Copyright Date	Price	Number of Entries	Entry Base	Number of Illustrations	Kind of Illustrations	Synonyms	Etymologies	Illustrative Sentences/ Phrases	Dictionary Skills
THE AMERICAN HERITAGE DICTIONARY	1973	14.95	155,000	2, 5, B	4,000	B, D	yes	yes	yes	no
RANDOM HOUSE COLLEGE DICTIONARY rev. ed.	1975	7.47	170,000	1	1,500	B	yes	yes	yes	no
WEBSTER'S NEW COLLEGIATE DICTIONARY 8th ed.	1977	10.72	150,000	1, 5	900	B	yes	yes	yes	no
WEBSTER'S NEW WORLD DICTIONARY SECOND COLLEGE EDITION	1976	9.95	158,000	1, 5	1,500	B	yes	yes	yes	no
WORLD BOOK DICTIONARY. 2 vols. rev. ed.	1977	59.00	225,000	1, 7	3,000	B	yes	yes	yes	yes

* Based on information found in Kenneth F. Kister's DICTIONARY BUYING GUIDE (1977), published by R. R. Bowker Company, New York, New York

TABLE 1

DICTIONARY SPECIFICATIONS*

UNABRIDGED	Copyright Date	Price	Number of Entries	Entry Base	Number of Illustrations	Kind of Illustrations	Synonyms	Etymologies	Illustrative Sentences/ Phrases	Dictionary Skills
Dictionary										
RANDOM HOUSE DICTIONARY	1973	35.00	260,000	5, 8	2,000	B	yes	yes	yes	no
WEBSTER'S THIRD NEW INTERNATIONAL DICTIONARY	1976	59.95	460,000	1, 5	3,000	B	yes	yes	yes	no

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DICTIONARY SPECIFICATIONS*

KEY

ENTRY BASE

- 1 adapted from existing dictionary
- 2 word frequency studies
- 3 words encountered in textbooks
- 4 words found in literature, magazines, newspapers
- 5 informal conversation, slang
- 6 words requested by students and teachers
- 7 derived from companion encyclopedia
- 8 new dictionary

ILLUSTRATIONS

- A full-color drawings or cartoons
- B black-and-white line drawings
- C color photographs
- D black-and-white photographs
- E one-color line drawings

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TABLE 2

MAJOR DICTIONARY PUBLISHERS/DISTRIBUTORS AND THEIR PRODUCTS

	LEVEL
American Heritage Publishing Company, Inc.	
Houghton Mifflin Company, Two Park Street, Boston, Massachusetts 02107	
THE AMERICAN HERITAGE SCHOOL DICTIONARY	6-10
THE AMERICAN HERITAGE DICTIONARY OF THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE	reference
Collins+World Publishing Company, Inc.	
Prentice-Hall, Inc., Englewood Cliffs, New Jersey 07632	
THE CHARLIE BROWN DICTIONARY	K-4
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