# Rationale:

**This resource includes practice work learning how to use dictionaries in helping solve new words, including:**

1. Words Before and After
2. First and Last Words
3. Related Words
4. Word Look-up
5. In Your Own Words
6. Making New Words
7. Looking at Sounds
8. Words in Between
9. Thinking About Words
10. Words I Know
11. Words I Have Seen/Heard Before
12. Words I Do Not Know
13. Parts of Speech
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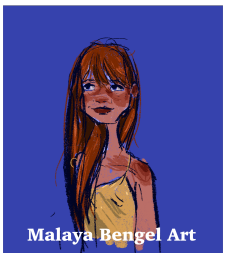
These pages are great for big kids to practice all dictionary skills needed to find and understand new words from reading.

**The printable pages in this resource can be used in several ways, including:**

- As daily morning work to review word work skills
- During guided reading small groups
- During independent reading time or centers
- To work with partners and small groups
- As an assessment for teachers to monitor students' spelling abilities
- As homework review sheets
- As a quick and fun 10 minute time filler.
- As 'when you're finished' additional work for students
- To use with substitute teachers

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# GOOGLE™ LINKS FOR STUDENTS

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## "Words Before and After"

Name: _____ Date: _____

What To Do:

As you are reading today, copy some tricky words onto this page. After reading, look up each word in a dictionary. Copy the definition that matches the meaning in the text. Then write the words found in the dictionary right before and after each word.

| Word: _____ Definition: _____ | | |
|---|---|---|
| Before: | After: | |

| Word: _____ Definition: _____ | | |
|---|---|---|
| Before: | After: | |

| Word: _____ Definition: _____ | | |
|---|---|---|
| Before: | After: | |

| Word: _____ Definition: _____ | | |
|---|---|---|
| Before: | After: | |

Challenge:

Choose four of the words from this page and write the

each word, give your own definition and make a list of

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## "Word Look-Up"

Name: _____ Date: _____

What To Do:

As you are reading today, copy some tricky words onto this page. After reading, look up each word in a dictionary. Copy the definition that matches the meaning in the text.

| words | definitions |
|---|---|
| | |

dotted lines to mix up the word and their definitions. Exchange cards a separate sheet of paper. Check your dictionary if you are unsure of

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## "Making New Words"

Name: _____ Date: _____

What To Do:

When readers look words up in a dictionary they can often think of new words that are nearly identical. For example, 'fancy' can be changed to 'fancier,' 'fancily,' or 'fanciest.' As you are reading today, copy tricky words onto the signs below. Copy the definition from your dictionary that best matches the meaning in the text. Then make a list of new words by adding prefixes or suffixes to each word.

| Definition: _____ New Words: _____ | Definition: _____ New Words: _____ |
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| Definition: _____ New Words: _____ | Definition: _____ New Words: _____ |
| Definition: _____ New Words: _____ | Definition: _____ New Words: _____ |

Challenge:

Choose one of the words from above. Use the word in a sentence on the back of this page. Then make a sentence for each of the new words. Describe how the words are alike and different.

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## "Looking at Sounds"

Name: _____ Date: _____

What To Do:

Most dictionaries show how each word sounds by offering a pronunciation description in parentheses found after the word and before the defintion(s). As you are reading today, copy tricky words below. Then copy exactly how the dictionary show to pronounce each word.

Word: _____
Pronunciation: _____

Word: _____
Pronunciation: _____

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Challenge:

Get together with a partner. Read your list of words aloud.
back of this page to describe how these instructions can hel

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## "Words in Between"

Name: _____ Date: _____

What To Do:

Open your dictionary to a random page. Write the first word on the top of this page. Write the last word on the bottom of this page. Close the dictionary. See how many words you can list that fit alphabetically between these two words.

First word _____

1

13 _____
14 _____
15 _____
16 _____
17 _____
18 _____
19 _____
20 _____
21 _____
22 _____
23 _____
24 _____



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## "Words I Do Not Know"

Name: _____ Date: _____

What To Do:

Turn to any page in your dictionary. Look carefully at all the words on the page. Write down all the words from the page that you do not know. Copy the definition and make a guess on where you might he or see each word.

| Words: | Definition: | Hear or See?: |
|---|---|---|
| | | |





Challenge:

Circle five of the words on this page. Use the back of this page to write each word correctly in a sentence.

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# Challenge Activities



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Parts of Speech

# Digital Included!

# "Words Before and After"

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| | | |
|---|---|---|
| **Word:** _____<br>**Definition:** _____<br>_____<br>_____<br>_____<br>**Before:** **After:** | **Word:** _____<br>**Definition:** _____<br>_____<br>_____<br>_____<br>**Before:** **After:** | **Word:** _____<br>**Definition:** _____<br>_____<br>_____<br>_____<br><br>**Before:** **After:** |
| **Word:** _____<br>**Definition:** _____<br><br>_____<br>_____<br>**Before:** **After:** | **Word:** _____<br>**Definition:** _____<br>_____<br>_____<br>_____<br>**Before:** **After:** | **Word:** _____<br>**Definition:** _____<br>_____<br>_____<br>_____<br>**Before:** **After:** |

SAMPLE

Challenge:

Choose four of the words from this page and write them on the top of four columns on the back of this page. Under each word, give your own definition and make a list of synonyms.

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