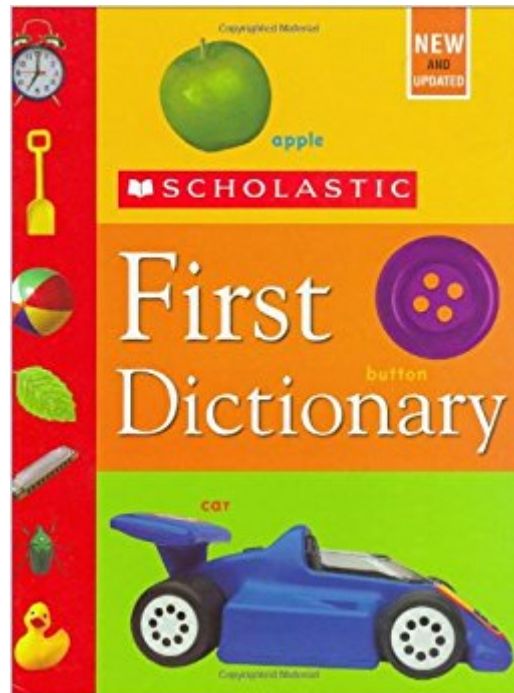




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# Scholastic First Dictionary



## Synopsis

This revised edition of the bestselling SCHOLASTIC FIRST DICTIONARY has been completely redesigned to reflect the vocabulary and interests of early elementary school children. Definitions for approximately 1,500 headwords have been carefully chosen to help build on the vocabulary of young children. Six hundred full-color photographs further illustrate their meanings. Each entry has been designed to provide readers with easy to understand definitions, as well as alternate forms for nouns, verbs, and adjectives. Illustrative example sentences following each headword are clearly written to help show children what words mean and how they should be used. In addition, each entry is followed by a simple phonetic pronunciation guide.

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## Customer Reviews

How would you define "bump" for a 6-year-old? The Scholastic First Dictionary outlines it as follows: "1. A bump is a round place that is above the area around it. William got a bump on his head when he hit it on a low branch of a tree. When something has many bumps on it, we say it is bumpy. The country road was bumpy. 2. When you bump into something, your body hits something you didn't mean it to hit." Not bad, eh? The chief advantage of this straightforward, inviting dictionary is that it is accessible to young readers--the definitions are written in complete sentences with age-appropriate language, and each word is used in a simple sentence. Containing more than 1,500 words highlighted by bold, kelly-green type, the Scholastic First Dictionary is targeted to the

reading level--and interests--of elementary school students, and not designed to be comprehensive. For example, "knitting" is not in this dictionary, but "kneel," "knife," and "knight" are. "Iguana" is not there, but "igloo" is. Each page of this 224-page volume contains an average of eight words, and includes at least two full-color photos to help illustrate word meanings. The real value of this resource for children is in helping them build basic dictionary skills and as a general guide for early readers, teaching them how to spell words, how to pronounce them, what words mean, how to use them in a sentence, how words change form, and, of course, discovering new words. The crisp, colorful layout encourages hours of contented browsing for the voracious young knowledge seeker. A great gift for any budding reader! (Ages 5 to 9) --Karin Snelson --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

Grade 1-3?With a crisp layout, bright colors, and a large typeface, this dictionary is appealing and accessible. The 1500 main entries are well suited to use by young readers and writers. There are at least two full-color photographs on each page; they illustrate words such as "cash machine," "camcorder," and "headphones." The photos help children distinguish between a computer mouse and the animal, an audio and a video tape, and a floppy and a compact disc. Common animals are included, most with pictures. Each entry word is followed by phonetic pronunciation; a simple definition; an illustrative sentence using the word; and alternative forms such as plurals for nouns, comparatives for adjectives, and tenses for verbs. If there are multiple meanings for a headword, each definition is numbered. The introduction includes two pages that explain how to use the dictionary and a pronunciation guide. Following the dictionary proper is a page on prefixes, suffixes, and contractions. A two-page spread covers forming plurals, words that sound alike, and how words work in sentences. Lastly, there is a page on measurement and an index of pictures. The attractive format and appropriate contents will invite children to use the dictionary when needed and to browse for pleasure.?Priscilla Bennett, State University of West GeorgiaCopyright 1999 Reed Business Information, Inc. --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

This dictionary is a great addition to my classroom!

I choose no star for this book. It looks like it's for new norms! You cannot find words that are for kindergarten or first grade talk less of 2nd grade! They need to edit and upgrade the book. It's ridiculous. So is the thesaurus!

I bought this for a friend's 5 year old son as a son because he's quite curious about what new words mean. Unfortunately the first three words we tried to look up were not in it. Based on that I'd say it's a little light in terms of content. All in all he seemed to enjoy it though.

This is the 2nd time I have bought this dictionary. I think this is a great book for child just starting school. very helpful with pictures and larger words.I will be buying a 3rd book when my other grandchild start school and even getting for gift for other friends kids!!! thinks every one should get this for you kids starting school!

great dictionary to teach little ones to search for words and there meanings.

First Dictionary is a good dictionary for the young at heart. The authors of the book understand the learning curve of young children and as such the book is a good learning tool. If you are slow in understanding word definitions the book breaks it down. If you are a quick learner the book gives insights that will stimulate your mind. I recommend this book for children of all ages.

My six year old grandson loves his first dictionary. He loves that it's colorful, has lots of pictures of the items and most of all, he is able to read it without much help fom his parents.I am an educator and knew which reference material would be most beneficial for a first grade tyke. And, the price was just right.

Great present for my graduating kindergartner.

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