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WORDS: GETTING TO THE ROOTS

God gave people the gift of language. God talked with Adam and Eve. Adam and Eve used the language God gave them to talk with God and with each other.

You use language to talk to God and to the people you know. Without language we would not be able to understand each other.

Objectives

Read these objectives. The objectives tell you what you will be able to do when you have finished this LIFEPAC.®

- 1. You will be able to write the letters which have difficult joinings.
- 2. You will be able to write capital letters.
- 3. You will be able to spell some words that have r-controlled vowels.
- 4. You will be able to use capital letters correctly for names of days, months, pets, countries, states, and cities.
- 5. You will be able to use capital letters correctly for the titles Miss, Dr., Mrs., Mr., and Rev.
- 6. You will be able to write words that have prefixes and suffixes.
- 7. You will be able to alphabetize words correctly to the third letter.
- 8. You will be able to use dictionary guide words, entry words, and definitions.
- 9. You will be able to name synonyms and antonyms of words.
- 10. You will be able to use context clues to help you understand a story.
- 11. You will be able to give the sequence of a story.

1. DICTIONARY SKILLS

How busy you are! You are ready to start the first section of Language Arts LIFEPAC 303. You will like the lessons on how to use a dictionary. Your cursive writing practice will help you with some of the more difficult joinings of letters. Let's hurry along!

Vocabulary

Study these new words. Learning the meanings of these words is a good study habit and will improve your understanding of this LIFEPAC.

alphabetical order (al pha bet i cal or der). To put in the order of the alphabet.

control (con trol). To hold back.

dictionary (dic tion ar y). A book that lists words and their meanings.

entry word (en try word). A word that is listed in the dictionary.

guide word. Word at the top of a dictionary page that tells the first and last word on the page.

pronounce (pro nounce). To say a word.

pronunciation (pro nun ci a tion). The way a word is spoken.

Note: All vocabulary words in this LIFEPAC appear in **boldface** print the first time they are used. If you are unsure of the meaning when you are reading, study the definitions given.

Ask your teacher to say these words with you.





Grammar

A dictionary is a book that can help you with your language. You will find the words of your language in the dictionary.

Each word listed in the dictionary is called an **entry word**. All entry words are in **alphabetical order**. The meaning of the word is given, too.

Putting words in alphabetical order means putting them in the order of the letters in the alphabet. The words are listed by the order of the first letters in the words. If the first letters in the words are all the same, the second letter is used. If the first and second letters are the same, use the third letter.



Put these words in alphabetical order.

1.1 Janet's teacher asked the girls in her class to line up in alphabetical order. Look at the names below. Write the girls' names in alphabetical order on the lines.

Janet	Joyce	Jill	Jean	Jacky

Alphabetical order helps you find words in the dictionary. **Guide words** help you find words also.

Two guide words are on each page of the dictionary. The left guide word *(cat)* is the first word listed on the page. The right guide word *(cave)* is the very last word listed on the page.

cat	cave
cat	cattle
catalog	caught
catch	cause
catsup	cave
Page 89	
A Page from a Dictionary	

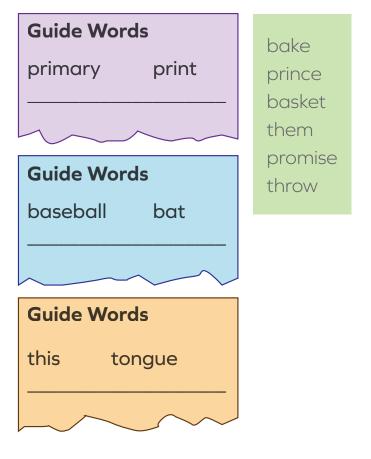


- **1.2** What is the page number? _____
- **1.3** What are the guide words for this dictionary page?
- **1.4** What are two words that are found on the page?



Do this activity.

1.5 Parts of dictionary pages are given here for your practice. Choose the word that would go on each page from the list at the right. Write that word on the page of the dictionary.



Finding a word in a dictionary is easy when you use four simple steps.

- 1. Look at the first letter of the word you want to find.
- 2. Find the pages that have words beginning with that same first letter.
- 3. Find the guide words that the word is between. Use the second or third letter.
- 4. Find the word on the page. Read about it.



Do these dictionary activities.

1.6 Use your dictionary to find the words *tug* and *crisp*. Write the guide words on the lines below.

guide words				
tug				
crisp				

1.7 Use your dictionary to practice with a friend. Think of a word. See who can find it first in the dictionary. Do this a few times. Keep score, one point for each word found first.

	Friend check:		
	V	Initials	Date

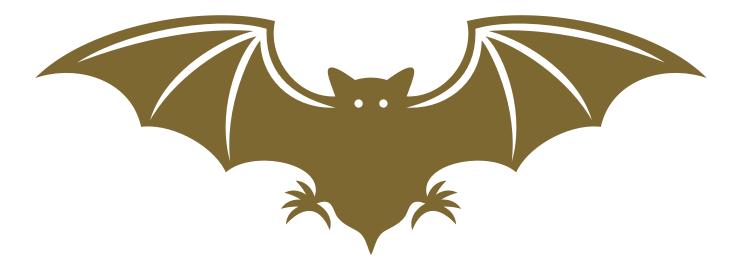
A dictionary has many uses because it tells us many things. Three of these uses are listed.

- 1. A dictionary tells you the **pronunciation** of a word. The dictionary prints the way a word sounds after the entry word.
- 2. A dictionary tells you the correct spelling of a word.
- 3. A dictionary tells you the meaning of a word.



Complete these activities. You many need to use your dictionary.

- **1.8** Circle the correct way to spell this word. chief cheif
- **1.9** Look up the word *dinghy* in the dictionary. Can you wear a *dinghy*?
- 1.10 Use the word *dinghy* in a sentence.
- **1.11** Look up the word *bat* in the dictionary. Write two meanings of *bat* on the lines below.
 - a. _____ b. ____





Make your own dictionary.

1.12 Pretend you were climbing in the mountains. You found a lost city named Papla. The Papla people had disappeared thousands of years ago. You hunted around and found an old bottle with a piece of paper inside it. The paper had words written in the language of the Papla people. The Papla words are listed for you. On another sheet of paper, make a dictionary using these words. You decide how the words would be **pronounced**. Write a meaning for each word. Be sure to put your dictionary in alphabetical order.

If you like, you may make up some of your own words to add to your dictionary.

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	Teache Initials _	r check:		Date	

Spelling

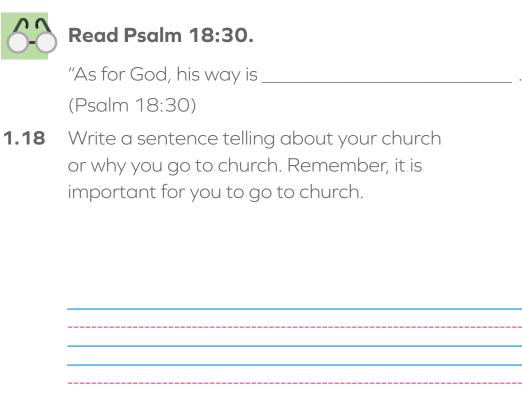
You have learned about vowel "friends" that help vowels say their names as in the words

goatandride.The vowel sound is long. The vowel "friends" in each wordare silent.

Let's look at a consonant that is so strong it sometimes "overpowers" the vowel near it. It takes over the sound. **1.15** Match the words to their meanings. If you need help, use your dictionary.

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1.17 Fill in the missing word to correctly finish the verse.





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Write each spelling word ten times on another piece of paper. Say each word as you write it.



Ask a helper or your teacher to give you a practice spelling test of Spelling Words-1. Restudy the words you missed.



Handwriting

You learned how to write your cursive letters in the Language Arts LIFEPACs 301 and 302. Now you will practice some of the letters that are difficult to join.



Trace over the letter joinings. Finish each line using the same letter joining.

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NMI		
<i>N</i> U		
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ow		
	Teacher check:	
	Initials	Date

For this Self Test, study what you have read and done. The Self Test will check what you remember.

SELF TEST 1

Each answer = 1 point

Write the correct word from the word bank in each blank.

guide	onary e words abetical order	God entry word		
	Language was given to peop You find the words of your lar			
1.03	Each word in a dictionary is called an			
1.04	 All the words in a dictionary are in			
1.05	Two dictionary page to help you find	are at the top of each d words.		
Find t	Find the word swan in your dictionary. Then do these activities.			
1.06	Write the guide words from the	e dictionary page that <i>swan</i> is on.		
1.07	Write the pronunciation of <i>swa</i>	n		

1.08 Write the meaning of *swan*.

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Check the things a dictionary tells you.

- **1.09** how to pronounce words
 - how to read
 - □ how to spell words
 - □ what words mean
 - how to swim
 - □ things you need for a trip

Write the correct spelling word next to the pronunciation.

1.010 dert	
1.011 werd	
1.012 cerl	

Complete this activity.

1.013 Write these words that have difficult joinings.

order	bee	visitor	chop	

Teacher check:	Initials	15
Score	Date	19

Take your final Spelling Test for Spelling Words-1.





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