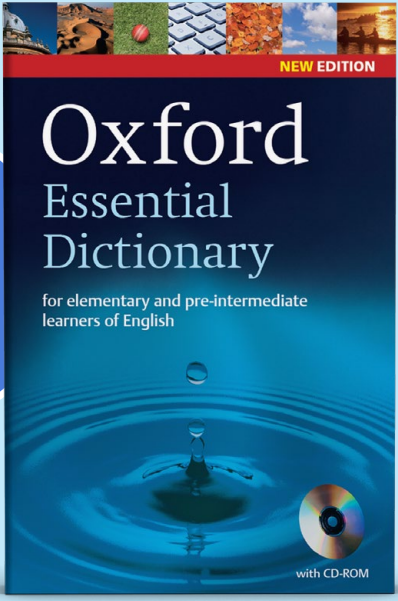


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**82.79%**  
of the respondents use Oxford Learner's Dictionaries.




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**97.27%** of the respondents agree that a **dictionary is a corpus of words used in languages and offer their denotative (literary) meaning and connotative meaning.**



**95.37%** of the respondents agree that **dictionaries help a child develop reading and writing skills by showing relationships between words, construction of sentences, usage of words in context and correct grammatical category.**



**94.76%** of respondents agree that **inclusion of sections like "how to avoid common mistakes" or "how to use an apostrophe correctly" in the appendices or as notes in learner's dictionaries for additional support would be helpful.**



**93.86%** of the respondents agree that **dictionaries support non-native language learners/users by helping them demonstrate the true extent of their knowledge by overcoming language barriers.**

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**Example sentence showing how the same word can be used as a verb and a noun.**

**collapse<sup>1</sup> ʌ B2** /kə'leɪps/ **verb** **1** [I] to fall down or break into pieces suddenly: *A lot of buildings collapsed in the earthquake.* **2** [I] to fall down and often become unconscious, usually because you are very ill: *The winner collapsed at the end of the race.* **3** [I] (used about a business, plan, etc.) to fail suddenly or completely: *The company collapsed, leaving hundreds of people out of work.* **4** [I, T] to fold sth or be folded into a shape that uses less space

**collapse<sup>2</sup> ʌ B2** /kə'leɪps/ **noun** **1** [C, U] the sudden or complete failure of sth, such as a business, plan, etc: *The peace talks were on the brink/verge of collapse.* **2** [sing, U] (used about a building) a sudden fall: *the collapse of the motorway bridge* **3** [sing, U] (HEALTH) a medical condition when a person becomes very ill and suddenly falls down

**Pronunciation in International Phonetic Alphabet (IPA)**

**coincidental** /kəʊ'ɪnsɪ'dentl/

**Usage notes support learners to avoid mistakes and confusion**

**▼ VOCABULARY BUILDING**

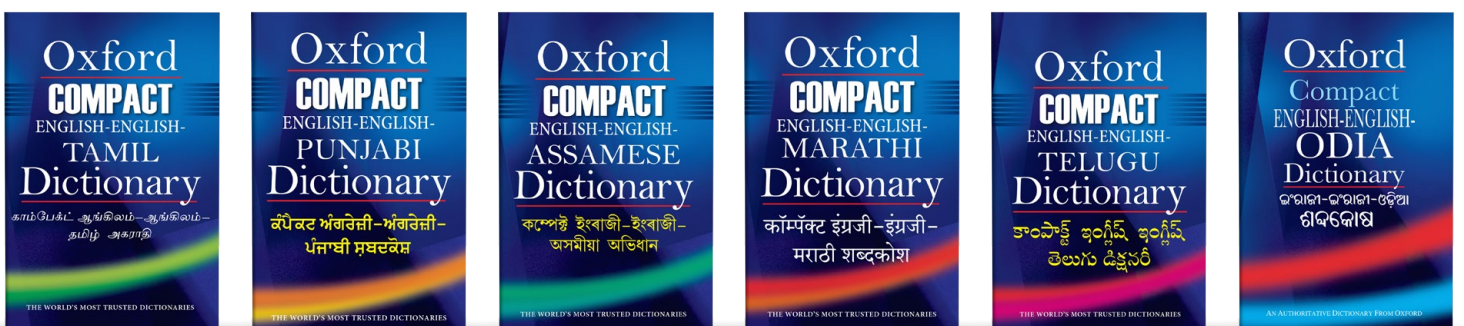
**Hot** describes a high temperature: *I can't drink this yet. It's too hot.* **Warm** means 'fairly hot' in a pleasant way: *Come and sit by the fire, you'll soon get warm again.* **Boiling** is an informal word for 'very hot': *Could you turn the heating down? It's boiling in here.* **Cool** means 'fairly cold, especially in a pleasant way': *It's hot outside, but it's nice and cool in here.* **Freezing** means 'extremely cold': *It's absolutely freezing outside.* It can mean that the temperature is below 0° Celsius.

**The difference between British/American spelling and pronunciation variations**

Spelling variation

**anaesthetic** (British) (American **anesthetic**)  
/ˌænəs'tetɪk/ **noun**  
a drug that a doctor gives you so that you will not feel any pain during an operation: *The patient will be under anaesthetic for about an hour.*

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