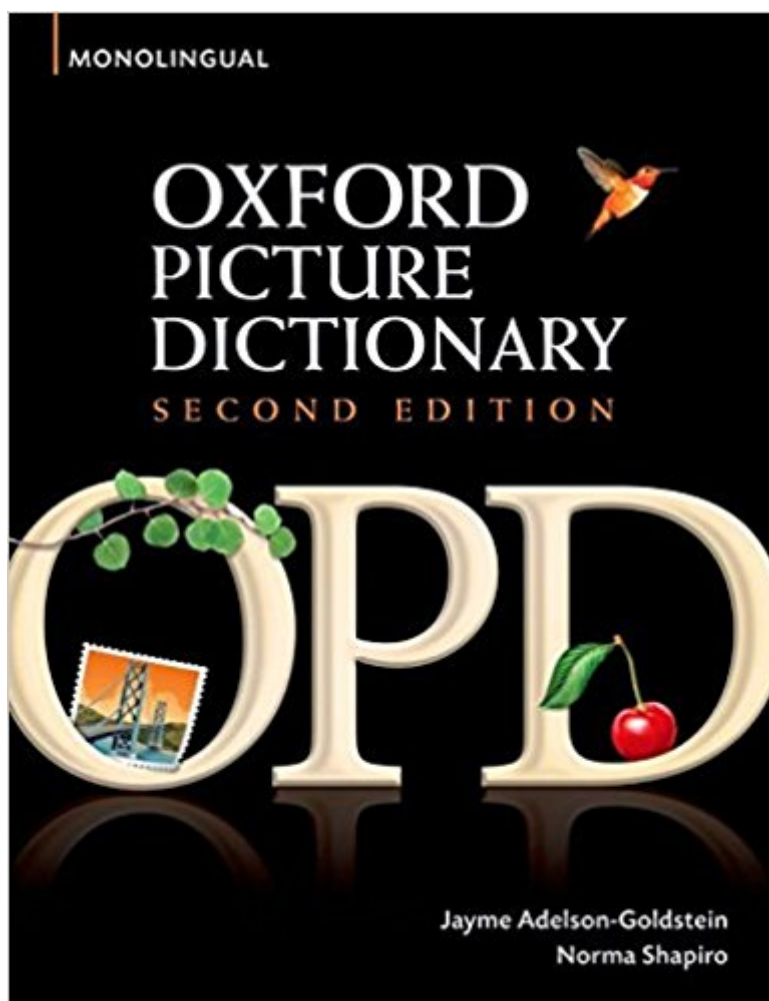




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# Oxford Picture Dictionary (Monolingual English)



## Synopsis

Content is organized within 12 thematic units, including Everyday Language, People, Housing, Food and Recreation. Each unit starts with an Intro page (new to this edition) and ends with a story page, with single or double-page sub-topics introducing new words in a realistic visual context and easy-to-learn "chunks." The target new vocabulary is listed and simple practice activities help students put their new words into practice. Story pages include pre-reading questions to build previewing and predicting skills and post-reading questions and role-play activities to support critical thinking and to encourage students to use the new language they have learned. Rich visual contexts recycle words from the unit. This structure is designed to address the needs of multilevel classrooms. Supporting components include more guidance on this topic as well as assessing needs and lesson planning. (available in English only).

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## Customer Reviews

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I teach and tutor ESL students from many different countries (at the same time/in the same classroom). The Monolingual Oxford Picture Dictionary is hands down, the best resource I've found

to help new students learn and understand the vocabulary "basics" of everyday life in the U.S. Words are arranged by topic/situation, and units can be incorporated into speech and grammar lessons. Workbooks are available to accompany use of the OPD -- they help reinforce the vocabulary and students' comprehension of the topic. There is also an OPD app (purchased from iTunes store), which has all of the same information, with sound and pronunciation -- this too has proven to be a great tool that I use when working one-on-one with a student. I highly recommend this tool to students and teachers!

I really like this English-Vietnamese dictionary so much that I bought three more to give to each of my wife's family who have immigrated from Vietnam in the past few years. I love just looking at the pictures and then seeing both the English and Vietnamese words identifying the objects on the page by looking at the object's number below that has what it is in both languages. There are indexes in the back of the book in both languages so if you know the name of something, you can see what page it is on and find out what it is called in the other language. Very help

Most helpful--and not for kids as some mistakenly believe. Many topics are quite sophisticated. It's a way to learn vocabulary directly, not translated through the student's native language.

This book has clear pictures and it is well laid out. However, it would be of limited use for someone who doesn't know the English (or Arabic) alphabet and sounds. It would also help to have a phonetic translation in both languages. But, it's a great lexicon for intermediate speakers and a good communication tool for novices as it shows a lot of common things that someone might encounter.

I teach English as a second language, and this is the dictionary that I urge my higher beginning students to get. It's a wonderful practical vocabulary builder. I have seen disappointed reviews from people trying to use these bilingual Oxford Picture Dictionaries to learn a foreign language (i.e., not English), and I don't think the OPD the best dictionary in that circumstance. Everything in the dictionary is geared toward American English and American society, and all the incidental material that Oxford University Press creates for the OPD (and there is a lot of it) is in English. When used for the purpose for which it was designed -- learning English -- this is a fantastic asset.

I was very pleased with our purchase of this product. I originally purchased both the new and the old, thinking I might use the older one. After comparing, however, I felt they had made sufficient

improvements to warrant purchasing the newer edition for the needs of our program. Many items of technology were included and the illustrations are wonderful. This book is well organized to quickly find items even if you don't speak English. Great for young people and adults. I did note that male/female body parts were not illustrated or listed. This would not be a resource for one trying to communicate using these terms to a doctor or school official even. This seemed somewhat puritan... but perhaps this was deemed necessary in order that it span age groups... which this definitely does.

I got this as a gift for a friend who is learning English. She loves it, and I wish it had been available when I was still teaching ESL. Learners can figure out things without explanation and it covers an amazing variety of topics important for speaking. It's not just a dictionary, but a useful workbook too! Highly recommended.

I think there's no better dictionary than this for people learning English. It's more than an average dictionary. It really shows you the meaning of the words with beautiful and clear graphics and much more. I purchased this for Portuguese speaking learners, but it's available in many others languages.

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