

Task Title: Use a Dictionary Website

# OALCF Cover Sheet – Practitioner Copy

**Learner Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Date Started: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

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| **Goal Path:** | Employment | Apprenticeship |
| Secondary School | Post Secondary | Independence |

**Successful Completion:**  Yes No

**Task Description:** The learner will use dictionary.com to look up word meanings.

**Main Competency/Task Group/Level Indicator:**

* Find and Use Information/Read continuous text/A1.2
* Communicate Ideas and Information/Write continuous text/B2.1
* Use Digital Technology/D.2

**Materials Required:**

* Pen/pencil and paper and/or digital device
* Computer

# Learner Information

When writing class assignments and essays, it is important to understand the meaning and proper spelling of each word you are using. Using online dictionaries can be a helpful tool when checking your writing.

Go to the website [dictionary.com](to%20put%20(something)%20in%20a%20position%20to%20obstruct%20an%20entrance,%20opening,%20etc.;%20shut.%20%20Close%20the%20door,%20it's%20freezing%20in%20here.%20%20to%20stop%20or%20obstruct%20(a%20gap,%20entrance,%20aperture,%20etc.).%20%20If%20you%20close%20that%20hole%20in%20the%20foundation,%20you're%20less%20likely%20to%20get%20critters%20in%20the%20basement.%20%20Synonyms:%20choke,%20clog,%20bar%20to%20block%20or%20hinder%20passage%20across%20or%20access%20to.%20%20Because%20people%20were%20littering,%20the%20Parks%20and%20Recreation%20department%20decided%20to%20close%20the%20woods%20to%20picnickers.%20%20to%20stop%20or%20obstruct%20the%20entrances,%20apertures,%20or%20gaps%20in.%20%20He%20closed%20the%20crate%20to%20prevent%20anything%20falling%20out%20and%20tied%20it%20up.%20%20to%20make%20(one's%20mind)%20unreceptive%20or%20inaccessible%20to.%20%20Don't%20close%20your%20mind%20to%20an%20opinion%20just%20because%20you%20don't%20like%20the%20person%20who%20expressed%20it.)

# Work Sheet

**Task 1: Search for the word “close”. Write down three (3) different meanings for this word.**

Answer:

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**Task 2: Search for the words, “method” and “methodical”. What is the difference between these two words?**

Answer:

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**Task 3: List the plural form of the word “ox”.**

Answer:

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**Task 4: Return to the main page of dictionary.com. Write down the word of the day and its definition. Write a sentence using this word.**

Answer:

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Answers

**Task 1: Search for the word “close”. Write down three (3) different meanings for this word.**

Answer: Multiple. The top five entries for this word on dictionary.com are listed here:

1. to put (something) in a position to obstruct an entrance, opening, etc.; shut. Close the door, it's freezing in here.
2. to stop or obstruct (a gap, entrance, aperture, etc.). If you close that hole in the foundation, you're less likely to get critters in the basement. Synonyms: choke, clog, bar
3. to block or hinder passage across or access to. Because people were littering, the Parks and Recreation department decided to close the woods to picnickers.
4. to stop or obstruct the entrances, apertures, or gaps in. He closed the crate to prevent anything falling out and tied it up.
5. to make (one's mind) unreceptive or inaccessible to. Don't close your mind to an opinion just because you don't like the person who expressed it.

**Task 2: Search for the words, “method” and “methodical”. What is the difference between these two words?**

Answer: Method is a noun defined as: a procedure, technique or way of doing something, especially in accordance with a definite plan. Methodical is an adjective defined as: performed, disposed, or acting in a systematic way.

**Task 3: List the plural form of the word “ox”.**

Answer: Oxen, oxes

**Task 4: Return to the main page of dictionary.com. Write down the word of the day and its definition. Write a sentence using this word.**

Answers will vary.

# Performance Descriptors

| Levels | Performance Descriptors | Needs Work | Completes task with support from practitioner | Completes task independently |
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| A1.2 | scans text to locate information |  |  |  |
|  | locates multiple pieces of information in simple texts |  |  |  |
|  | makes low-level inferences |  |  |  |
|  | makes connections between sentences and between paragraphs in a single text |  |  |  |
|  | follows the main events of descriptive, narrative and informational texts |  |  |  |
|  | obtains information from detailed reading |  |  |  |
|  | begins to identify sources and evaluate information |  |  |  |
| B2.1 | writes simple texts to request, remind or inform |  |  |  |
|  | conveys simple ideas and factual information |  |  |  |
|  | uses sentence structure, upper and lower case and basic punctuation |  |  |  |
|  | uses highly familiar vocabulary |  |  |  |
| D.2 | selects and follows appropriate steps to complete tasks |  |  |  |
| D.2 cont’d | locates and recognizes functions and commands |  |  |  |
|  | makes low-level inferences to interpret icons and text |  |  |  |
|  | begins to identify sources and evaluate information |  |  |  |
|  | performs simple searches using keywords (e.g. internet, software help menu) |  |  |  |

This task: Was successfully completed Needs to be tried again

Learner Comments:

Instructor (print): Learner (print):

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