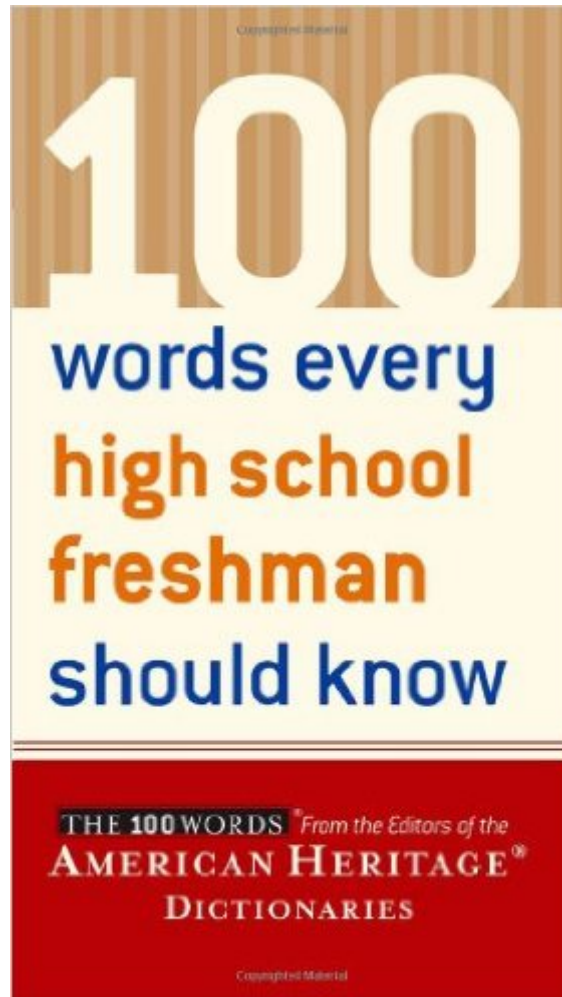


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# 100 Words Every High School Freshman Should Know



## Synopsis

Following the success of *100 Words Every High School Graduate Should Know*, the editors of the American Heritage® Dictionaries have developed this new book of 100 words tailored especially to high school freshmen. This second book in the 100 Words series focuses on the kinds of words that a successful middle school graduate can learn from rigorous coursework in a variety of subjects and that nearly every freshman will encounter over the course of the school year. The words have been chosen with various criteria in mind. Some represent key concepts in important areas of the curriculum, while others are more familiar in meaning but present challenges of spelling or usage. All are words that students can expect to see regularly in their high school reading and beyond. And each word is fully defined as well as shown in typical contexts with example sentences and quotations, many of which are taken from award-winning authors such as Harper Lee, George Orwell, Katherine Paterson, and John Knowles. Together, these 100 words represent the increasingly sophisticated and complex vocabulary that freshmen must master as they continue their education at the next level. To learn them is not only to gain useful knowledge — it is to step into a broader world.

## Book Information

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## Customer Reviews

This is an excellent reference book for the SAT exam, as well as vocabulary development for college bound students. The book is highly organized. Each word is presented as follows:

- o pronunciation
- o grammar or part of speech i.e. noun, verb, adjective...
- o inflection points
- o label or special area of knowledge
- o examples of usage
- o etymologies tracing the history of the word i.e. Old English or Modern English
- o related words, if any
- o notes on word history
- o pronunciation key or guide

Here are some sample words contained in the volume:

- o abjure
- o circumlocution
- o equinox
- o hegemony
- o jejune
- o nihilismo
- o oligarchy
- o oxidize
- o pecuniary
- o supercilious
- o tectonico
- o ziggurat

I would purchase this book for collegiate prep and study.

I've used this book for two years with my freshmen English classes. It is easy to get through all 100 in one year and it is an eclectic group of words which means they are likely to run into them again in math, science or social studies. This gets the kids excited because they can see how the vocabulary they learn in English can help them in math. (OK, so maybe "excited" isn't quite the right word, but you get my point). Most of the words are used enough that they will run into them through reading and/or listening to educated people speak. I've run into other vocabulary programs where the words are either too easy or too bizarre, but this book seems to be a good mix. As a bonus, this book is widely used so you can find pre-made flashcards on [quiznet.com](http://quiznet.com) and lesson plans on the Internet.

This is a great book for my ESL tutee. He has just promoted into regular classes and will attend middle school in August. He needs help with verb tenses and vocabulary. He is a studious student and will expand his vocabulary as to enhance his English composition and English oral skills. This is just a perfect little gift for him.

This book is exactly what it says. It is a glossary of 100 words every high school freshman should know. The book begins with a short preface, followed by a guide to the entries in the book, and a pronunciation guide. Each of the 100 words is followed by its pronunciation, the part of speech, the plural form of the word if it is a noun, the definition, and between one to three related words. Some words also have a note going into more detail about the word. For certain words, e.g. polygon, there are illustrations, too. Scattered throughout the book are passages from famous pieces of literature that have one or more of the words in the preceding page within the passage. The 100 words in the book go from A-Z, from accentuate to zoology. The last few pages of the book have some tips on how to increase your vocabulary. This is an inexpensive book to give as a small gift to someone

who is really interested in doing well in high school as well as for someone to study for the SAT or ACT tests. It's aimed at 8th grade students and freshmen in high school, but could be useful even for seniors in high school.

We used this for homeschool, and it teaches words that you wouldn't usually think of teaching middle or high school kids

Bought this for our granddaughter who will be in high school next year. I'm also going through it making sure I know all of the words :-)

I love this book. I highly recommended. I'm going to be a freshman and I didn't know some words. Two thumbs up

It's useful but my son said a little easier for high schooler. He is using it though !

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