Read&Write for Google Chrome – Dictionary and Picture Dictionary

Introduction

The ability to look up the definition of a word while reading, allows students to increase their vocabulary while achieving a better understanding of the material. Students are often discouraged from looking up a word that they don't know if they need to fetch a dictionary or interrupt their flow of reading by navigating to another site to look up the word. Fortunately, with the dictionary and picture dictionary tool in the Read&Write extension, students can seamlessly read and have the word defined with words or visuals within one place.

Learning Objectives

Completion of this tutorial will give you experience with the following:

- Look up the definition of a word using Read&Write for Chrome using:
  - Dictionary
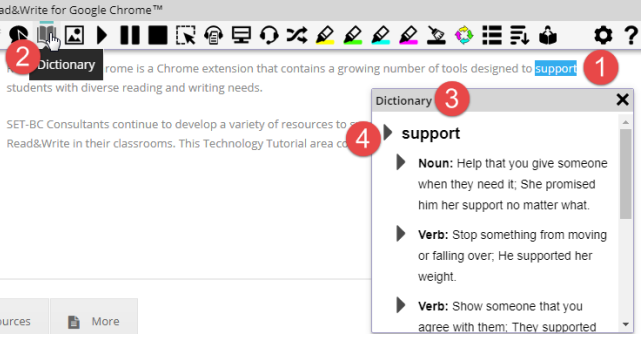 - Picture Dictionary

This tutorial assumes:

- Access to Google Chrome browser on a Windows, Mac or Chromebook computer and NOT a tablet.
- Read&Write extension for Google Chrome is installed.
- Access to the premium features. Click here to find out how.
- Access to the internet.

Case Study

Derek is a student in grade six. Derek uses the internet extensively to do research in school particularly for topics that may be quite advanced. Many of the sites that Derek accesses are written in a language that is more advanced than his grade level. Using the dictionary tool in Read&Write, Derek can easily look up the meaning without losing the flow of reading. His classmate Aliya is developing English language skills and benefits from the picture dictionary which presents words that are unknown to her in pictorial form.

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Defining using Read&Write for Google Chrome

1	**Open** a web page in your Chrome Browser. (1) **Ensure** that the Read&Write Chrome extension is running by locating the purple R&W icon will appear in the top right hand corner. **Click** on the icon (2) to activate the Read&Write toolbar.	
2	**Highlight** the word to be defined (1). **Click** on the *Dictionary* icon (2). A window will **appear** with the meaning of the word (3). Both the word as well as the definition can be read out loud by **clicking** on the *Play* button (4).	

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| 3 | Repeat the steps to use the picture dictionary:

Highlight the word to be defined.

Click on the *Picture Dictionary* icon.

A window will appear with the picture of the word. The word can be read out loud by **clicking** on the *Play* button (1).

If you are using a Google Document, you may choose to drag the image to the text.

NOTE: Not all words can be illustrated in which case a message, "No match was found for this word" will appear. | |