

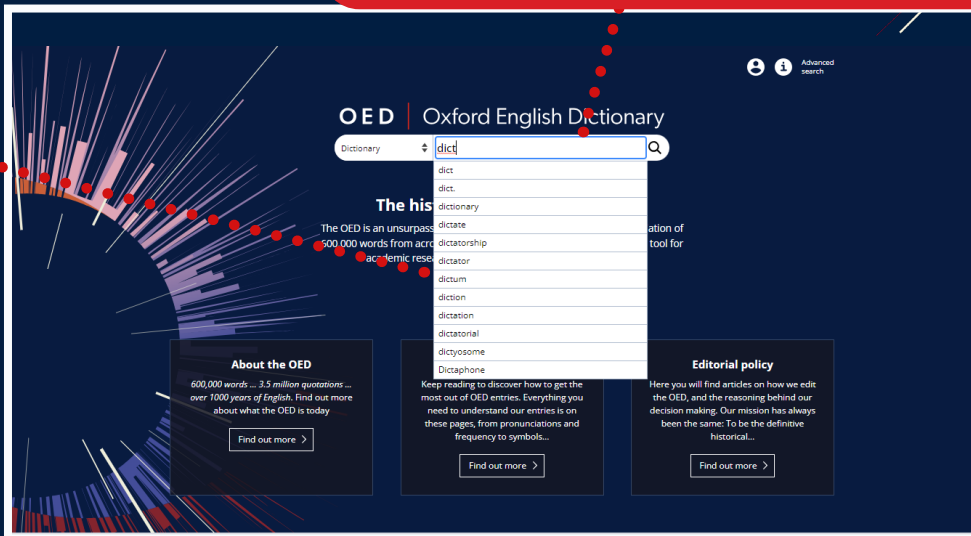
HOW-TO GUIDE

Searching the OED: Performing a quick search

Searching the OED is freely available to all users and you can choose to perform either a quick or advanced search.

Quick searches are performed in the text input box on the homepage and in the top navigation bar.

There is an autocomplete function, which will help if you are unsure of the correct spelling of a word, or of which spelling the OED uses.



Once you submit your search you are taken to the search engine results page. This returns exact matches on your search query sorted by the frequency of that word in English with the most frequent word sorted at the top. Clicking on a result will take you to that dictionary entry.

