

Features of the MACMILLAN SCHOOL DICTIONARY

Clear layout for ease of use

Full coverage of up-to-date pronunciation, spelling and meaning

Hundreds of synonyms and opposites

Information on spelling with inflections for irregular and semi-regular verbs, adjectives and nouns

Common grammar patterns for students to learn

Helpful example sentences, based on real-life spoken and written English, show how and when the word is used

Each meaning is numbered, with the most common sense shown first

Simple, clear definitions are written using a carefully selected 'defining vocabulary' of 3,000 words

Special help boxes on word families, synonym sets and vocabulary building

General word selection based on the 200 million word World English Corpus, supplemented with specialist subject vocabulary based on a 20 million word corpus of school curriculum coursebooks

The image displays two pages from the Macmillan School Dictionary. The left page (page 147) features entries for 'compatriot', 'compel', 'compelling', 'compensate', 'compensation', 'compete', 'competitor', 'compilation', 'compile', 'complacent', 'complain', 'competence', 'competent', 'competing', and 'competition'. The right page (page 136) features entries for 'clothing', 'cloud', 'cloudless', 'cloudy', 'clove', 'cloven hoof', 'clover', and 'clued up'. A diagram of cloud types is also present on the right page.

Informative two-colour illustrations relating to curriculum content

Menus in longer entries help you find the meaning you need quickly

Subject-specific words highlighted throughout

Stress patterns are shown where no separate pronunciation is given

Frequent collocations and fixed phrases shown in examples

Phrases, phrasal verbs and idioms are given at the end of an entry

Style and usage information for when a word is used e.g. spoken, written, informal, formal, humorous, offensive, literary, old-fashioned