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In recent years, teachers and students have become increasingly aware of the importance of collocation in English language learning. However, no matter how advanced learners are in principle of the importance of collocation, it is often difficult to put these principles into practice without the benefit of an up-to-date, corpus-based dictionary of collocations. When we at Oxford University Press were determined to provide such a dictionary, we knew it has taken us many years to produce the dictionary that we feel best meets the needs of students and teachers.

the dictionary

Over the years, a large number of lexicographers and editors have been involved in this project and I wish to take this opportunity to thank them all for the contributions they have made. In particular, I wish to thank the three main editors, Moira Rutledge, Diana Less, and Jonathan Dignen, Jonathan Crowningshield, and Diana Less, who worked on the planning for this dictionary. Diana Less was in charge of the design and helped to turn ideas into words and accessible to users as far as possible. In the Introduction that follows, Diana Less explains the process of using a noun entry, using a verb entry, and where they should be used.

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using an adjective entry

It is our hope that this page will be very helpful if you wish to explore the use of adjectives as a learning tool, you will find the Guide to the Entries (page xxviii) and the Study Page (between pages 448 and 449) very helpful.

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