

## Dictionary Look-up Exercise

When you look words up in the dictionary, often times the word you might have encountered in context is not going to be the citation form, that you need to search for in the dictionary. We need to learn how to suss out what portion of the word in context we need to look up, in order to find what we're looking for. This exercise is designed to help you do that.

### Lenition and Eclipsis.

If the word you want to look up has an 'h' as its second letter, and is not in the dictionary as is, it is probably lenited. Look it up without the 'h'. The same goes for words that have been eclipsed.

If a word in context begins with 'mb', 'bp', 'nd', 'dt', 'ng', 'gc' or 'bhf', then it won't be cited like that in the dictionary. Look the word up under, 'b', 'p', 'd', 't', 'g', 'c', and 'f' respectively.

If you see a word beginning with 'ts', look it up without the 't'.

If you see a word beginning with an 'h' and it's not in the dictionary, look it up without the 'h'.

hata \_\_\_\_\_

mná \_\_\_\_\_

dlí \_\_\_\_\_

gnóc \_\_\_\_\_

tseachtain \_\_\_\_\_

hainmhithe \_\_\_\_\_

### Verbs

Verbs can have endings as well as changes to the front. If you see a d' before a word, look it up without the d'.

As we learn other verb endings, you will come to recognize which parts are the roots and which are the endings.

glanfaidh \_\_\_\_\_

dóbair \_\_\_\_\_

d'óbair \_\_\_\_\_

d'fhoghlaim \_\_\_\_\_

titim \_\_\_\_\_

thitfeadh \_\_\_\_\_

ghlan \_\_\_\_\_

n'éirí \_\_\_\_\_

### Nouns

Nouns can have plural endings, as well as change to form the genitive case.

bhfiseanna \_\_\_\_\_

fóin \_\_\_\_\_

seachtaine \_\_\_\_\_

hainmhithe \_\_\_\_\_

chosa \_\_\_\_\_

hataí \_\_\_\_\_

tiománaí \_\_\_\_\_

cathaoireacha \_\_\_\_\_

### Adjectives

Adjectives have plural, comparative/superlative forms, and sometimes genitive forms as well.

dearga \_\_\_\_\_

faide \_\_\_\_\_

tábhachtacha \_\_\_\_\_

tábhachtaigh \_\_\_\_\_

glice \_\_\_\_\_

láidre \_\_\_\_\_

### Prefixes

Sometimes root words can show up with prefixes that may hide that root.

Look for a lenition in the middle of the word, a consonant cluster that looks very long, or is composed of unusual elements. This is probably the dividing point between the root and the added element.

athbhliain \_\_\_\_\_

seanfhear \_\_\_\_\_

róthe \_\_\_\_\_

mionteanga \_\_\_\_\_