



THE OPEN DICTIONARY

A blazingly-fast, portable dictionary format for everyone 🚀

We have a lot of ground to cover.

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Dictionaries are a language learner's best friend.

Apple dictionaries?

TEI?

DICT?

OntoLex?

SQLite?

~~Apple dictionaries~~ → *Closed format*

~~TEI~~ → *Plain text*

~~DICT~~ → *HTML-based*

~~OntoLex~~ → *No offline support*

~~SQLite~~ → *Too much overhead*

What is ODict?

- The Open Dictionary Project, or ODict, is an **offline-first**, open-source dictionary file format and command-line tool
- ODict allows you to manage dictionaries from the terminal *or* programmatically via official libraries
- ODict prioritizes speed, readability, size, and portability



~/Documents

```
> odict lookup eng.odict "hello"
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hello

interjection

1. A greeting

- All programmers greet each other by

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What *isn't* ODict?

ODict is not:



Attempting to match the robustness
of TEI or similar formats



Attempting to create linked data
trees like Lemon or OntoLex

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Your demo awaits.

The Future

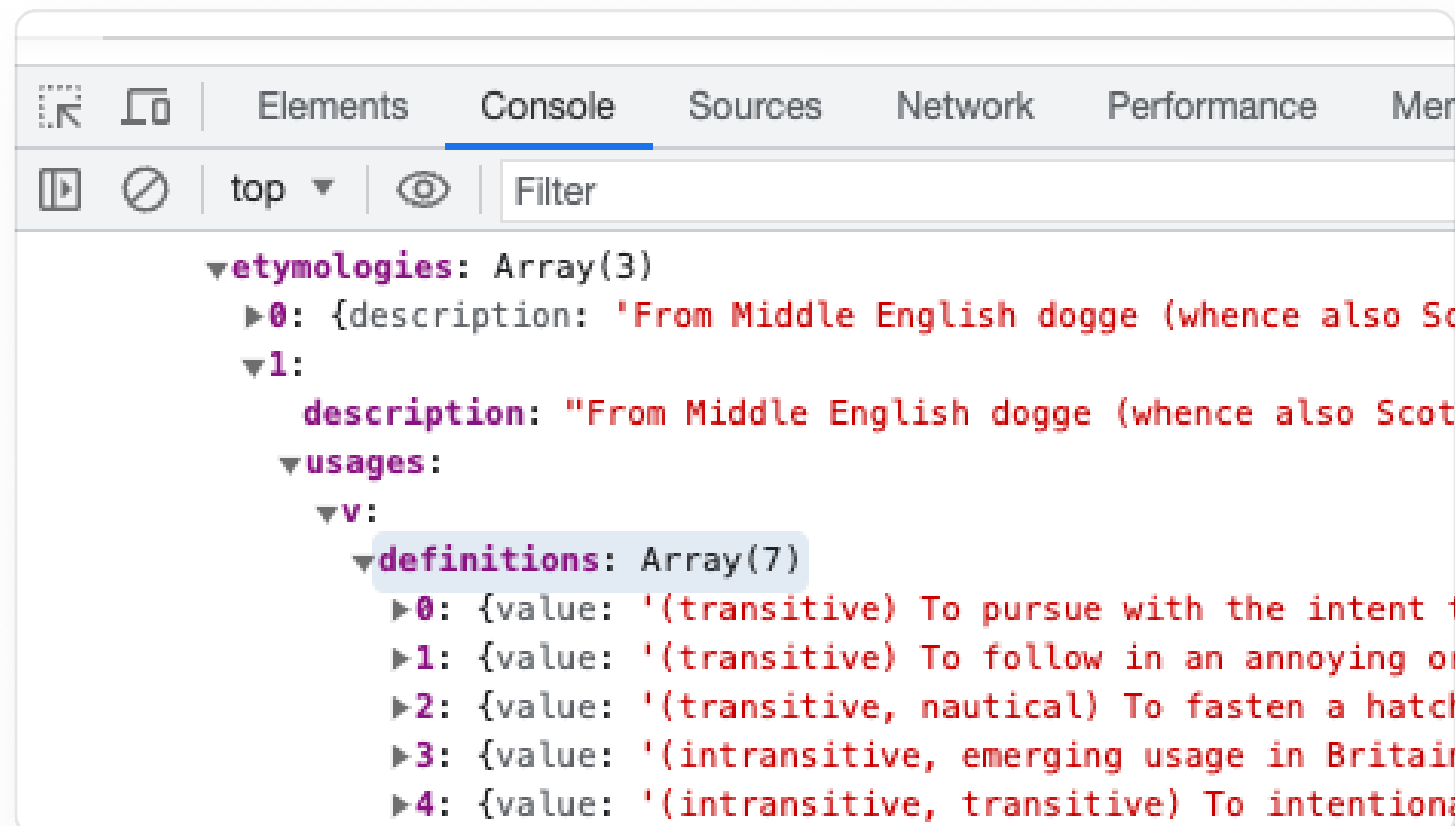
WASM support

Online web portal

Support for other markup languages?

Distributed binaries

Greater (programming) language support



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          ▶2: {value: '(transitive, nautical) To fasten a hatch
          ▶3: {value: '(intransitive, emerging usage in Britain
          ▶4: {value: '(intransitive, transitive) To intentiona
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Questions?