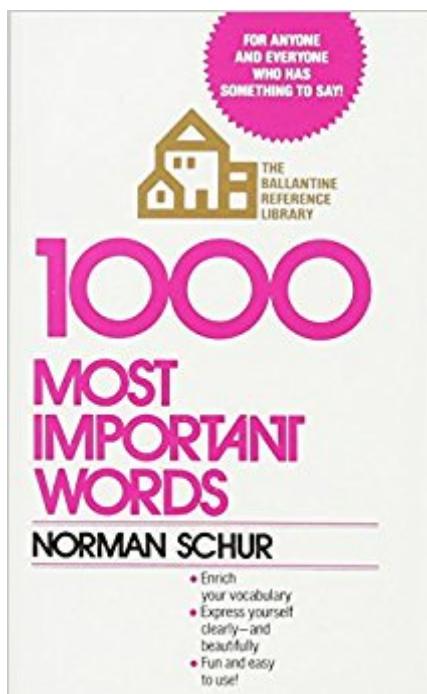


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Norman W. Schur (1907-1992) was the author of 1000 Most Important Words, Practical English: 1000 Most Effective Words, 1000 Most Challenging Words, and 1000 Most Obscure Words.

If you are like me, you certainly do not have a massive vocabulary. I quickly learned how bad it was, just as bad as I thought it might be. That is why I bought this book. I was needing to learn more about words (I am a writer, a business woman, and I have an older sister who likes to tease me with her vast vocabulary, sending me running for the nearest dictionary, just to understand what she said!) However I quickly found, it takes a brave soul to venture the pages of this book...but it has

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I've now read a number of such books. This author is the best expert, and this book contained both the most, ahem, apposite, words as well as the most precise and interesting definitions and associated information. Candidly, as a verbivore, I knew 99% of these words already but for the average college-educated person, this is worth studying.

The idea behind this book is to provide a list of words that can be used to enrich your vocabulary. Many of these words are uncommon or interesting enough to support that goal. Why they would be considered "most important," though, is not clear. Some of these words seem unnecessary or on the verge of becoming archaic. For example, even 30 years ago, when this list was compiled, "pulchritude" was already an outdated and pretentious synonym for beauty, a word most of us could (and probably should) live our whole lives without using. Fortunately, the majority of the words are useful, either as additions to one's speaking vocabulary, or as reading (and listening) comprehension aids. The definitions of the words are more thorough than those in an ordinary dictionary, and include some interesting background and discussion.

Shur is well known for his *voco* books. This one is great. He also has a number of other *voco* books. Look for and enjoy them.

This is one of those books you can pick up and enjoy for a few minutes....for years to come. It is a compendium of seldom used words with their definition and an example of how to use the word. The greater a person's vocabulary, the greater their ability to understand a wider view of the world they live in. Most books that tout building a better vocabulary are dull and tedious. This one is fun and doesn't ask you to take a quiz or do exercises. It is just fun to flip through it AND it teaches you new words. The more you master vocabulary, the better you become at explaining your ideas, your adventures, your feelings, your point of view. The brain needs words to form concepts. This is a great way to expand your mind.

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Although a few of the words have fallen out of current usage it's overall an excellent book. I like the expanded definitions, You get much, much more than in a standard dictionary including useful tips (such as some words are almost always used as plural} and some sample sentences.

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