**How to Find a Word in the Dictionary**

Words are listed by the first basic character a line drawn diagonally down from the upper left-hand corner of the word touches. If the first part of the symbol that the line touches is not a basic character (ex. circle, squiggly lines) the next part of the word that the line touches is the basic character under which the word is listed.

If the first part of the symbol the line touches is an arrow, look in the arrows section. If the first part of the symbol the line touches is a number, look in the numbers section. If it looks like a basic character that is not listed in the Table of Contents, look it up in the “other character” section.

To find a proper noun, follow the rule above except ignore the type of proper noun. For example, if it is the name of a man, ignore the man part of the symbol and follow the rule for whatever is inside the man.