

# Dictionaries

3PixelRule.tiff ↪

The program precompiles dictionaries into a highly indexed form to do its search. It stores these compiled dictionaries in files with the extension `.xdict`.

paste.tiff ↪ To make a new dictionary, choose Create... from the Dictionary menu. 598659\_paste.tiff ↪ Select a file that contains a list of words, one per line. 895720\_paste.tiff ↪ It may take some time to properly index the dictionary, so please be patient. 563657\_paste.tiff ↪ To use a dictionary to finish crossword puzzles, choose Use... from the Dictionary menu and select a `.xdict` file.

452017\_PixelRule.tiff ↪

CheckMark.tiff ↪ Try and avoid duplicate words in the dictionary. They won't cause severe problems, but they will throw off the heuristics.

980845\_CheckMark.tiff ↪The default dictionary is compiled from `/usr/dict/words`. A much larger one can be built from `/usr/dict/web2`.

855482\_CheckMark.tiff ↪A large dictionary makes it **much** easier to fill frames, but you'll probably not recognize most of the words that appear in a completed puzzle.