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The best part about the Oxford is that it shows the pronunciation phonetically, instead of using those stupid symbols, the name of which has escaped me since undergrad English.

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my new years resolution will be to read the dictionary the whole way through!

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Wank.

Sue says

My son gave me this dictionary for Christmas to replace the awful one we have been using the past nine or ten years. Word origins and phrases are included, which is exactly what I wanted. Recently I looked up the word "plashy" as it was used in a poem, and while the old dictionary did not contain this word, the new Oxford dictionary did. Additionally, the Oxford dictionary has interesting appendices such as Prime Ministers and Presidents. Out with the old dictionary and in with the new!

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