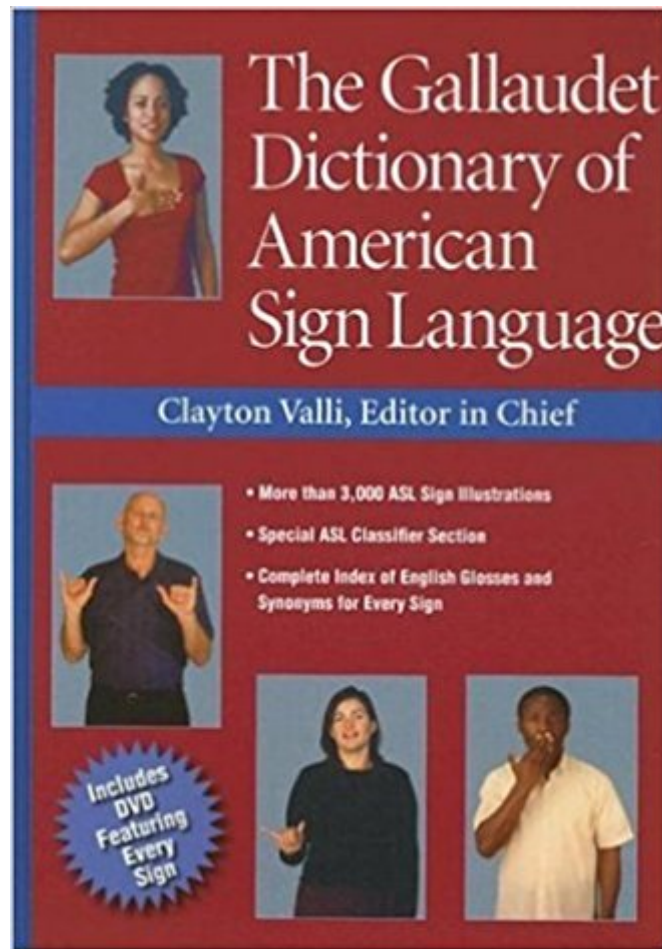




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# The Gallaudet Dictionary Of American Sign Language



## Synopsis

More than 3,000 ASL Sign Illustrations; Fully Searchable Full-Color DVD Featuring Every Sign; Special ASL Classifier Section; Complete Index of English Synonyms for Every Sign

Created by an unparalleled board of experts led by renowned ASL linguist and poet Clayton Valli, *The Gallaudet Dictionary of American Sign Language* represents the culmination of more than five years of meticulous assessment and labor. More than 3,000 illustrations arrayed in this volume display the most useful selection of signs to be found in any single ASL reference resource. Each sign illustration, including depictions of fingerspelling when appropriate, incorporates a complete list of English synonyms. A full, alphabetized English index enables users to cross-reference words and signs throughout the entire volume. The comprehensive introduction lays the groundwork for learning ASL by explaining in plain language the workings of ASL syntax and structure. It also offers examples of idioms and describes the antecedents of ASL, its place in the Deaf community, and its meaning in Deaf culture. This extraordinary reference also provides a special section unique to this volume on ASL classifiers and their use. Readers will find complete descriptions of the various classifiers and examples of how to use these integral facets of ASL. The full-color DVD included with this dictionary features a diverse group of native ASL signers demonstrating how to form each of the 3,077 signs. Fully searchable, users can view a sign and quickly go to its synonyms. This and the many other exclusive features in *The Gallaudet Dictionary of American Sign Language* combine to make it the outstanding ASL reference for all instructors, students, and users of ASL.

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Clayton Valli was Assistant Professor in the Master's Interpreting Program at Gallaudet University, a renowned linguist who coauthored the *Linguistics of American Sign Language*, and also a gifted ASL poet. The *Gallaudet Dictionary of American Sign Language* is dedicated to his memory.

An excellent recourse for someone learning sign language or someone who is fluent in sign language. I speak sign language fluently. I had taken interpreting courses in the process of learning so I could move into interpreting if I chose to. This book is a must have for anyone learning or using sign language. It is an excellent resource. The DVD makes it an invaluable resource. If you cannot quite understand the signing with the pictures alone the DVD provides a person signing the sign. Mac or PC, no problem. If you are using Linux, there may be an issue. The disc only works in a computer, not a DVD drive.

I'm learning ASL and enjoy watching ASL videos. This book is good but the DVD is even better. But then why am I giving it three stars? They list the 3000 words but you can't scroll up and down using your mouse scroll. You have to press up or down on their screen and it doesn't have a page up or page down. I end up dragging it but it is hard to grab it because it is so small, like a bold line. You can't have it play continuous or random. They took all this time putting together a great visual signing and then the program that runs it is poorly made. The signing is great but its hard to get to it. I also wish Gallaudet would put out some more. So they haven't lost me. Just asking it to be better.

I'm very satisfied that it came in time and not a scratch on cover .looks brand new and the DVD doesn't seem damage nor broken .I'm very happy and can finally use it to practice my sign language.

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Everything you needed at your finger tips, a great buy

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