

Finding the Definition of a Word While Reading an Article on Your Mac

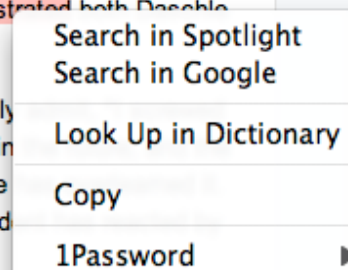
Realizing that all TMUG's members are brilliant, there still may come a time, while reading on your Mac, that one might come across a word one does not know. This happened to me while reading the Wall Street Journal Opinion Page Online recently. The word was "defenestrated." I wanted a quick way to look it up without destroying my train of thought. I found a method.

"I screwed up," the Associated Press, quotes President Obama as saying. He was referring to his nominations of Tom Daschle for secretary of health and human services and Nancy Killefer for White House chief performance officer. Yesterday the president defenestrated both Daschle and Killefer over tax problems.

To find the definition of "defenestrated" quickly, I held down the Control key and clicked once on the word. Look what popped up!

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There's something mildly refreshing about hearing a president spontaneously up." Yet admitting mistakes is less important than making good decisions in evidence suggests that Obama has not learned his lesson—or rather that he Having been careless or indulgent in his initial personnel choices, the president going to the opposite extreme.



I slid my cursor down to "Look Up in Dictionary" and let up. Imagine!

Dictionary

defenestrated

All Dictionary Thesaurus Apple Wikipedia

de•fen•es•tra•tion |dēˌfɛnəˈstrā SH ən|
noun formal or humorous
the action of throwing someone or something out of a window.

DERIVATIVES
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ORIGIN early 17th cent.: from modern Latin *defenestratio(n-)*, from *de-* 'down from' + Latin *fenestra* 'window.'