111 Roots, Suffixes, and Prefixes

With English equivalents and examples.

#	Latin/Greek	English	Example
1	**a-**	without	apathy
2	**annu-, anni-**	year	annual
3	**anthro-**	human	anthropology
4	**anti-**	against	antibiotic
5	**aqua-**	found in water	aquarium
6	**archea-**	ancient	archaeologist
7	**astro-**	star	astrologist
8	**aud-**	sound	audio
9	**auto-**	self	autocrat
10	**bene**	good	beneficial
11	**bibl**	book	bibliography
12	**bio-**	life	biology
13	**cardio**	heart	cardiologist
14	**carn**	meat	carnivore
15	**ced, ceed**	move	proceed
16	**cent**	hundred	centimeter
17	**ceph-**	head	cephalopod
18	**chrom**	color	monochrome
19	**chron-**	time	chronology
20	**cosm**	world/universe	cosmos
21	**cracy**	rule	democracy
22	**cred**	believe	incredible
23	**deca-**	ten	decagon
24	**demo-**	people	democracy
25	**derma**	skin	dermatologist
26	**di-**	two	diode
27	**dict-**	say	dictate
28	**dino-**	terrible	dinosaur
29	**domest-**	home	domestic

#	Latin/Greek	English	Example
30	**dorm-**	sleep	dormant
31	**dyna-**	power	dynamic
32	**equ-**	equal	equator
33	**ex-**	outside	exoskeleton
34	**flor-**	plants	floral
35	**geo-**	earth	geography
36	**graph**	write	telegraph
37	**helio-**	sun	heliocentric
38	**hexa-**	six	hexagon
39	**hydro-**	water	hydrofoil
40	**hyper-**	over, above	hyperactive
41	**igni-**	fire	ignite
42	**in-, im-**	not	incredible
43	**inter-**	between	interact
44	**intra-**	within	intranet
45	**ist, or, eer, er**	one who	technologist
46	**legis, lega**	law	legislature
47	**lexi-**	word	lexicon
48	**lib-**	free	liberty
49	**lumin**	light	luminosity
50	**macro-**	large	macroeconomics
51	**mania**	madness	Pokémania
52	**matr-**	mother	matriarch
53	**mega-**	large	megaphone
54	**mem**	remember	memory
55	**mer-, mar-**	ocean	marine
56	**meter**	measure	speedometer
57	**micro-**	small	microscopic
58	**mobil**	move	automobile
59	**mono-**	one	monopoly

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60	**morpho-**	shape	morphology
61	**multi-**	many	multitalented
62	**nano-**	tiny	nanometer
63	**neo-**	new	neoclassic
64	**nov-**	nine	November
65	**olig-**	a group	oligarchy
66	**ology**	to study	geology
67	**omni-**	all	omnivorous
68	**onym**	name	synonym, antonym
69	**ortho-**	straight	orthogonal
70	**paleo-**	ancient	paleontologist
71	**pan-**	including all	panorama, pan-American
72	**path**	feeling	apathy
73	**patr-**	father	patriarch
74	**ped-**	foot	pedestrian
75	**penta-**	five	pentagon
76	**peri-**	around	perimeter
77	**petr-**	rock	petrified
78	**phil-**	love	Philadelphia
79	**phobia**	fear	claustrophobia
80	**phon**	sound	telephone
81	**phyto-**	plant	phytoplankton
82	**poli**	city	metropolis
83	**poly-**	many	polyhedron
84	**popu-**	people	population
85	**port**	carry	transport
86	**post-**	after	postlude
87	**pre-**	before	preview
88	**proto-**	first	prototype
89	**pseudo-**	not true	pseudoscience

#	Latin/Greek	English	Example
90	**psych-**	mind	psychology
91	**pub-**	people	public
92	**sci-**	knowledge	science
93	**scope**	see	telescope
94	**sept-**	seven	September
95	**somn**	sleep	insomnia
96	**struct**	build	structure
97	**sub-**	below/under	subterranean
98	**tele-**	far	telephone
99	**terra**	earth	Terra cotta
100	**tetra-**	four	tetrahedron
101	**theo-**	god	theocracy
102	**therm-**	heat	thermostat
103	**toxi-**	poisonous	toxic
104	**trans**	across	translate
105	**tri-**	three	triceratops
106	**uni-**	one	unicycle
107	**vac-**	empty	vacuum
108	**velo-**	quick	velocity
109	**veri-**	truth	verify
110	**vor**	eat	carnivore
111	**zo-**	animal	zoology

Thirty-Five Sets Of Five Vocabulary Words

Sets organized by common root, prefix, or suffix.

cred	*annu*	*cent*	*vor*
related to belief	**related to years**	**related to 100**	**related to eating**
accredited	anniversary	bicentennial	carnivorous
incredibly	annual	centipede	herbivore
incredulous	semiannually	centimeter	omnivorous
credible	biannually	percentage	insectivore
creditor	annuity	century	voracious

phon	*graph*	*port*	*petr*
related to sound	**related to writing**	**related to carrying**	**related to stone**
phonograph	telegraph	teleport	petrified
hydrophone	geography	deportee	petroleum
cacophony	polygraph	export	petroglyph
symphony	digraph	portable	Peter
homophone	stenographer	portcullis	osteopetrosis

onym	*poli*	*pub*	*scope*
related to names	**related to cities**	**related to people**	**related to sight**
acronym	acropolis	republic	periscope
anonymous	metropolis	publish	microscopic
pseudonym	cosmopolitan	publicity	kaleidoscope
homonym	necropolis	publicize	horoscope
synonym	politics	public	telescope

mem	path	struct	hydro
related to memory	**related to feelings**	**related to building**	**related to water**
remember	sympathy	instruct	dehydrate
memory	telepathy	construct	hydrosphere
commemorate	apathy	destroy	hydrogen
memento	empathize	structure	hydraulics
memoir	antipathy	deconstruct	hydraulics

phile	tele	mer/mar	ling/lang
related to love	**related to distance**	**related to the sea**	**related to language**
bibliophile	telephoto	marine	linguistics
philanthropy	telegraph	mermaid	bilingual
philharmonic	telescope	maritime	language
philosopher	teleport	mariner	lingo
audiophile	television	submarine	protolanguage

chrono	soph	trans	lumin
related to time	**related to wisdom**	**related to across**	**related to light**
chronology	sophomore	translate	illuminate
synchronize	philosophy	transcontinental	bioluminescent
chronicle	sophisms	transport	luminous
anachronism	sophisiticated	transfer	translucent

tox	terra	popu	meter
related to poison	**related to earth**	**related to people**	**related to measure**
biotoxin	terrain	popular	thermometer
detoxicate	subterranean	population	metrics
neurotoxin	terraform	overpopulate	diameter
toxicity	mediterranean	populism	kilometer
endotoxin	terrarium	popularize	speedometer

Think Like An Inventor

You have identified a great need in your society and you are going to fill that need (and make millions!) Create an invention using and name it using roots, prefixes, and suffixes from Greek and Latin.

Requirements

- ★ Use at least three word parts from Greek and Latin in each invention.

- ★ Include the English meaning of your invention's name.

- ★ Write a paragraph explaining the uses of your invention.

- ★ In your published product, include a high-quality color illustration.

Example Invention

The Autodictobiblio!

Tired of *reading on your own?* Want a book that does the dirty work for you? Sound like you need the *Autodictobiblio*! This "self reading book" reads itself to you! Just sit back and enjoy the story…

Additional Ideas

- ★ Incorporate propaganda into your requirements.
- ★ Create ads for magazines, incorporating techniques from marketing and visual arts.
- ★ Develop multimedia advertisements for inventions.

Greekymons!

Your task is to develop a book of incredible creatures using the Greek and Latin root word list.

Requirements

★ Use at least two word parts from Greek and Latin in each Greekymon's name.

★ Include an explanation of the creature

★ Define the Greek and Latin word parts you used

★ Create an image of your creature

Example Greekymon

Chronocosmarch *[time space ruler]* One who travels through time and space, ruling over all.

Velopsychscope *[quick mind seer]* A Greekymon who quickly sees into his opponent's minds.

Additional Ideas

★ Develop a story incorporating students' various Greekymons
★ Publish a Greekydex - a compilation of students' creations.
★ Ask students to develop a theme song for their monsters.
★ Encourage students to incorporate each other's Greekymons in stories or activities.
★ Investigate Pokémon name that have Greek or Latin etymology
  ✳ Geodude
  ✳ Hypno
  ✳ Aerodactyl

Greek and Latin Spellbook

Your task is to develop your own spell book utilizing the Greek and Latin root word list.

Requirements

- ★ Use at least two word parts from Greek and Latin in each spell's name.

- ★ Include an explanation of the spell

- ★ Define the Greek and Latin word parts you used

- ★ Create an image of your spell in action

Example Spells

Velocoped *[quick foot]* A spell that increases the caster's running speed.

Petrapsych *[mind rock]* Causes an opponent's mind to turn to stone.

Additional Ideas

- ★ Investigate spells from Harry Potter that utilize roots from Greek and Latin
  - ✶ Deletrius *removes an item* from Latin "delere" (to destroy)
  - ✶ Colloportus *locks a door* from Greek "kollao" (to join together) and "porta" (gate)
  - ✶ Expecto Patronum *calls a magical guardian* from "patr" (father or protection).

Phobiaology

Create a "phobia" using the Greek and Latin word list, then develop a poem about the phobia.

Requirements

* ★ Utilize at least one word part from Greek or Latin.
* ★ Create a haiku about the phobia (three lines, syllables: 5-7-5, unrhymed)
* ★ Create an illustration of your phobia

Example Haiku

Carnaphobia

Sizzle on the grill

I run away from the sound

Vegetables please

Additional Ideas

* ★ Only allow each word part to be used by one student so you have a variety of poems.
* ★ Utilize another form of poetry
    * ✳ Limerick (rhyme scheme: AABBA, syllables: 9-9-6-6-9)
    * ✳ Shakespearean Sonnet (14 lines, 10 syllables each, rhyme: abab cdcd efef gg)
    * ✳ Cinquain (5 lines, 2-4-6-8-2, unrhymed)
* ★ Create a poetry reading. Serve hot chocolate. Snap your fingers like Beatniks.
* ★ Compile class poems into a high-quality book.

Inspired by http://phobiapoems.tumblr.com/

Philadelphia

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Since *phil* means "love" and *adelph* means "brother," Philadelphia is known as the "city of brotherly love." Can you create another city using the Greek and Latin word list?

Requirements

* ★ Utilize at least two word parts from Greek or Latin.

* ★ Create a pamphlet advertising your city. Include:

  * ✳ An historical building

  * ✳ A natural monument

  * ✳ A famous historical figure from your city

  * ✳ Unique plants or animals that are found in your city

Example Cities

* ★ Subaquapolis - The Underwater City

* ★ Multipetrapolis - The City Of Many Rocks

Additional Ideas

* ★ Only allow each word part to be used by one student so you have a variety of cities.
* ★ Bring in authentic city pamphlets to show students.
* ★ Create models of students' cities.
* ★ Display all cities in the style of a travelogue.

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