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|  | **Common Prefixes, Suffixes, and Root Words**  The English language has its roots in several languages, including Greek, Latin, and older forms of English, German, and French. Learning to recognize common roots and affixes (prefixes and suffixes) will help you build your vocabulary and improve your ability to make educated guesses about unknown words you encounter in reading and test-taking situations. Good dictionaries will give you information about the origins of words. Whenever you look up a new word, make a point of reading this information. *Some* of the roots and affixes that appear in a large number of words. Learning these will enhance your ability to comprehend course readings and learn new terminology.  Prefixes |  |  |  |
| |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | **Prefix** | **Meaning** | **Example** | | a, an | without, not | asexual, amoral, anarchy, anhydrous, Anabaptist, anachronism | | ab, abs, a | apart, away from | abnormal, abduct, abductor (muscle), abscission .See *ad* in *Prefixes*, | | ad | toward | adhere, adductor (muscle) . See *ab* in P*refixes* section), adumbrate | | agere | act | agent, agency, agenda | | amphi, ambi | round, both sides | amphitheater, amphibian, ambidextrous, ambivalent | | ante | before | antedate, anteroom, antecedent, anterior | | anthro | man | anthropology, anthropomorphic | | anti | against | antipathy, antitank, anticlimax | | aqua | water | aquarium, aqueous | | archaios | ancient | archeology, archetype, archaic, archeozoic | | archos | leader, first, chief | monarchy, oligarchy, anarchy, archetype, architect | | audio | hear | audiophile, audiometer, auditory | | auto | self | automatic, automaton, auto-immune | | bi | two | bi-partisan, bisexual, biennial, binary, bicuspid, bivalve | | bene | well, favorable | benefit, benevolent, benefactor, beneficent | | bible | book | bibliography, Bible, bibliophile | | bio | life | biology, biography, bio-active | | caco | Bad | cacophony | | cide | kill | homicide, parricide, germicidal, ecocide | | circum | around | circumference, circumlocution, circumnavigate | | constitutus | stand | constitution, statute | | corpus | body | corpse, corporeal punishment, corpus callosum | | cracy | rule | democracy, theocrat, technocracy | | credo | belief | credit, (see also *roots* section) | | demos | people | democracy, demographic | | di | two, double | dimorphism, dicotyledon, diatomic | | dia | across, through | diagonal, dialectic, dialogue, diagnosis | | dis | not, apart | disperse, disinherit, disenfranchise, distend | | dominus | lord | dominant, dominion | | dynasthai | be able | dynamic, dynamo, dynasty, dynamite | | ego | I, self | ego, egomaniac, egocentric, | | epi | upon, over | epidermis, epidemic, epigram, epitaph, epithet, epiphyte, epistasis, epinephrine, epiphysis | | ex | out | exotic, exterior, extraneous, extemporaneous, exophalmic, exogenous, exothermic, exoskeleton | | federis (see also *Roots* section) | league, pact | federation, confederate | | frater | brother | fraternize, fraternity, fraternal, fratricide | | geo | earth | geology, geography, geocentric, geomancy | | graph (see also *Roots* section) | write, record | graphic, graphite, graphology, | | hetero | mixed, unlike | heterogeneous, heterosexual, heterodox, heterodont, hetero atom, heterocyclic, heterozygous, | | homo | same, alike | homogeneous, homogenized, homozygous, homolytic fission, Homo *sapiens*, homonid, homeostasis | | idem | the same | identity, idiopathic, I, individual | | ideo | idea | ideology, ideation, ideal | | idios | one's own | idiom, idiosyncrasy, idiopathic | | in | in | incarcerate, incorporate, inculcate, induction, inductance, indigenous, indicator, inspiration | | in, im | not | incredible, ignoble, inglorious, inhospitable, infinite, infinitesimal, immoral | | inter | between | interact, interstellar, interpret, interstitial | | legis (lex) | law | legal, legislature | | lexis | word | lexicon, lexicography | | liber | free, book | liberty, library, liberal | | locus | place | locality, local, circumlocution | | macro | large | macroeconomics, macroscopic, macrophage | | mania (see *Roots* section also) | obsession | maniac, Beatlemania | | meter (see *Roots* section also) | measure | metronome, speedometer, odometer | | micro | small | microscope, micron, micrometer, microorganism | | mittere, mitto (see *Roots* section also) | send | mission, transmit, remit | | mono | one, single | monocle, monopoly, monogamy, monovalent, monomania, monarchy | | mortis | death | mortician, mortuary, moribund, morbid | | nomen | name | noble, ignominy, nomenclature, nominal | | olig | few | oligarchy, oligopoly | | pater | father | paternal, paternity, patricide | | ped (see *Roots* section also) | foot | pedestrian, pedal, pedicure, podiatrist | | peri | around | peripatetic, periscope, perineum, peritoneum | | phage (see *Roots* section also) | eat | phagocyte, phagocytosis | | philo | love | philosophy, philanthropy | | phobos (see *Roots*section) |  |  | | phon (see *Roots* section) |  |  | | polein | sell | monopoly | | polis (see *Roots* section also) | city | political, metropolitan | | poly (see *Roots* section also) | many | polygamy, polyphonic, hoi polloi | | porto | carry | porter, export | | post | after | post script (p.s.), ex post facto, *post hoc*, post-mortem | | pre | before | premier, preview, premium, prescient | | pro | before, in favor of | project, projectile, | | psyche | mind, soul | psychology | | publicus | people | public, republic, pub, publican | | riparia | river | riparian | | scope | examine | microscope, oscilloscope | | scribo (see *Roots* section also) | write | transcribe, scribe, script | | solus | alone | solo, solitary | | subter | under, secret | subterfuge, subtle, subaltern, subterranean | | sin (sys before b, p, or m) | together, with | synchronize, symphony*,* sympathy, syncretic, syncope | | tele | distance | telegraph, telephone, teleology | | trans | across | transport, transcend, transmogrify | | utilis | useful | utility, utilitarian | | vide, visibil, vis | see | video, vision, visible | | | | | | |  | [Printer Friendly Version](https://msu.edu/~defores1/gre/roots/gre_rts_afx_tab1.htm) |  |  |
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| **Roots** | | | | | | | | |
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aut | Self | automobile, autograph, automatic | | belli | War | rebellion, belligerent, casus belli, bellicose | | bibl | Book | Bible, bibliography, bibliomania | | bio | Life | biology, biometrics, biome, biosphere | | brev | Short | abbreviate, brief | | cad, cas | to fall | cadaver, cadence, cascade | | calor | Heat | calorie, caloric, calorimeter | | cap, cip, cept | Take | capable, intercept, forceps, capture, except, reciprocate | | capit, capt | Head | decapitate, capital, captain, caption | | carn | Flesh | carnivorous, incarnate, reincarnation, carnal | | caus, caut | burn, heat | caustic, cauldron, cauterize | | cause, cuse, cus | cause, motive | because, excuse, accusation | | ced, ceed, cede, cess | move, yield, go, surrender | procedure, proceed, cede, concede, recede, precede, accede, success | | cenetri | center | concentric, centrifugal, centripetal, eccentric | | chrom | Color | chrome, chromosome, polychrome, chromatic | | chron | Time | chronology, chronometer, synchronize | | cide, cise | cut down, kill | homicide, exorcise, germicide, incision, scissors | | cit | call, start | incite, citation, cite | | civ | citizen | civic, civil, civilian, civilization | | clam, claim | cry out | exclamation, clamor, proclamation, reclamation, acclaim | | clud, clus, claus | Shut | include, conclude, recluse, claustrophobia, occlusion, occult | | cognoac, gnosi | Know | recognize, prognosis, cognoscenti, incognito, agnostic | | cord, cor, cardi | Heart | cordial, concord, discord, courage, encourage | | corp | Body | corporation, corporal punishment, corpse, corpulent, corpus luteum | | cosm | universe, world | cosmos, microcosm, cosmopolitan, cosmonaut | | crat, cracy | Rule | autocrat, aristocrat, theocracy, technocracy | | crea | create | creature, recreation, creation | | cred | believe | creed, credo, credence, credit, credulous, incredulous, incredible | | cresc, cret, crease, cru | rise, grow | crescendo, concrete, increase, decrease, accrue | | crit | separate, choose | critical, criterion, hypocrite | | cur, curs | Run | current, concurrent, concur, incur, recur, occur, courier, precursor, cursive | | cura | Care | curator, curative, manicure | | cycl, cyclo | wheel, circular | Cyclops, unicycle, bicycle, cyclone, cyclic | | deca | Ten | decade, decalogue, decathlon, decahedron | | dem | people | democracy, demography, epidemic | | dent, dont | Tooth | dental, denture, orthodontist, periodontal | | derm | Skin | hypodermic, dermatology, epidermis, taxidermy | | dict | say, speak | dictation, dictionary, dictate, dictator, Dictaphone, edict, predict, verdict, contradict, benediction | | doc, dokein | Teach | doctrine, indoctrinate, document, dogma, dogmatic | | domin | master | dominate, dominion, predominant, domain | | don | Give | donate, condone | | dorm | Sleep | dormant, dormitory | | dox | opinion, praise | orthodox, heterodox, paradox, doxology | | drome | run, step | syndrome (run together), hippodrome (place where horses run) | | duc, duct | Lead | induce, seduce (lead aside), produce, reduce | | dura | hard, lasting | durable, duration, endure | | dynam | power | dynamo, dynamic, dynamite, hydrodynamics | | endo | Within | endorse, endocardial, endoskeletal, endoskeleton, endosperm | | equi | Equal | equinox, equilibrium, equipoise | | erg | Work | energy, erg, allergy, ergometer, ergograph, ergophobia | | fac, fact, fic, fect | do, make | factory, fact, manufacture, amplification, confection | | fall, fals | deceive | fallacy, falsify, fallacious | | fer | bear, carry | ferry, coniferous, fertile, defer, infer, refer, transfer | | fid, fide, feder(is) | faith, trust | confidante, fidelity, confident, infidelity, infidel, federal, confederacy, *semper fi* | | fila, fili | thread | filigree, filament, filter, filet, filibuster | | fin | end, ended, finished | final, finite, finish, confine, fine, refine, define, finale | | fix | Fix | fix, fixation, fixture, affix, prefix, suffix | | flex, flect | Bend | flex, reflex, flexible, flexor, inflexibility, reflect, deflect | | flu, fluc, fluv | flowing | influence, fluid, flue, flush, fluently, fluctuate | | form | form, shape | form, uniform, conform, formulary, perform, formal, formula | | fort, forc | strong | fort, fortress, fortify, forte, fortitude | | fract, frag | Break | fracture, infraction, fragile, fraction, refract | | gam | marriage | bigamy, monogamy, polygamy | | gastr (o) | stomach | gastric, gastronomic, gastritis, gastropod | | gen | birth, race, produce | genesis, genetics, eugenics, genealogy, generate, genetic, antigen, pathogen | | geo | Earth | geometry, geography, geocentric, geology | | germ | vital part | germination, germ, germane | | gest | carry, bear | congest, gestation | | gloss, glot | tongue | glossary, polyglot, epiglottis | | glu, glo | lump, bond, glue | glue, agglutinate, conglomerate | | grad, gress | step, go | grade, gradual, graduate, progress, graduated, egress | | graph, gram | write, written | graph, graphic, autograph, photography, graphite, telegram | | grat | pleasing | congratulate, gratuity, grateful, ingrate | | grav | heavy, weighty | grave, gravity, aggravate, gravitate | | greg | Herd | gregarious, congregation, segregate, gregarian | | hypn | Sleep | hypnosis, hypnotherapy | | helio | Sun | heliograph, heliotrope, heliocentric | | hema, hemo | Blood | hemorrhage, hemoglobin, hemophilia, hemostat | | here, hes | Stick | adhere, cohere, cohesion, inherent, hereditary | | hetero | different | heterogeneous, heterosexual, heterodox | | homo | Same | homogeneous, homonym, homogenize | | hum, human | earth, ground, man | humus, exhume, humane | | hydr, hydra, hydro | Water | dehydrate, hydrant, hydraulic, hydraulics, hydrogen, hydrophobia | | ignis | Fire | ignite, igneous, ignition | | ject | Throw | deject, inject, project, eject, interject | | join, junct | Join | adjoining, enjoin, juncture, conjunction, injunction, conjunction | | juven | Young | juvenile, rejuvenate | | lau, lav, lot, lut | Wash | launder, lavatory, lotion, ablution, dilute | | leg | Law | legal, legislate, legislature, legitimize | | levi | Light | alleviate, levitate, levity | | liber, liver | Free | liberty, liberal, liberalize, deliverance | | liter | Letters | literary, literature, literal, alliteration, obliterate | | loc, loco | Place | locality, allocate, locomotion | | log, logo, ology | word, study, speech | catalog, prologue, dialogue, logogram (symbol representing a word), zoology | | loqu, locut | talk, speak | eloquent, loquacious, colloquial, circumlocution | | luc, lum, lus, lun | Light | translucent, luminary, luster, luna (moon goddess) | | macr-, macer | Lean | emaciated, meager | | magn | Great | magnify, magnificent, magnanimous, magnate, magnitude, magnum | | man | Hand | manual, manage, manufacture, manacle, manicure, manifest, maneuver, emancipate | | mand | command | mandatory, remand, mandate | | mania | madness | mania, maniac, kleptomania, pyromania | | mar, mari, mer | sea, pool | marine, marsh, maritime, mermaid | | matri | mother | matrimony, maternal, matriarchate, matron | | medi | half, middle, between, halfway | mediate, medieval, Mediterranean, mediocre, medium | | mega | Great | megaphone, megalopolis, megacycle (a million cycles), megaton | | mem | remember | memo, commemoration, memento, memoir, memorable | | meter | measure | meter, voltammeter, barometer, thermometer | | micro | Small | microscope, microfilm, microcard, microwave, micrometer | | migra | wander | migrate, emigrant, immigrate | | mit, miss | Send | emit, remit, submit, admit, commit, permit, transmit, omit, intermittent, mission, missile | | mob, mot, mov | Move | mobile, motionless, motor | | mon | warn, remind | monument, admonition, monitor, premonition | | mor, mort | mortal, death | mortal, immortal, mortality, mortician, mortuary | | morph | Form | amorphous, dimorphic, metamorphosis, morphology | | multi | many, much | multifold, multilingual, multiped, multiply | | nat, nasc | to be from, to spring forth | innate, natal, native, renaissance | | neo | New | Neolithic, *nuveau riche*, neologism, neophyte, neonate | | neur | Nerve | neuritis, neuropathic, neurologist, neural, neurotic | | nom | law, order | autonomy, astronomy, gastronomy, economy | | nomen, nomin | Name | nomenclature, nominate, ignominious | | nov | New | novel, renovate, novice, nova, innovate | | nox, noc | Night | nocturnal, equinox, noctilucent | | numer | number | numeral, numeration, enumerate, innumerable | | numisma | Coin | numismatics | | oligo | few, little | Oligocene, oligosaccharide, oligotrophic, oligarchy | | omni | all, every | omnipotent, omniscient, omnipresent, omnivorous | | onym | Name | anonymous, pseudonym, antonym, synonym | | oper | Work | operate, cooperate, opus | | ortho | straight, correct | orthodox, orthodontist, orthopedic, unorthodox | | pac | Peace | pacifist, pacify, pacific ocean | | paleo | Old | Paleozoic, Paleolithic, paleomagnetism, paleopsychology | | pan | All | Pan-American, pan-African, panacea, pandemonium (place of all the demons), | | pater, patr | Father | paternity, patriarch, patriot, patron, patronize | | path, pathy | feeling, suffering | pathos, sympathy, antipathy, apathy, telepathy | | ped, pod | Foot | pedal, impede (get feet in a trap), pedestrian, centipede, tripod, podiatry, antipode | | pedo | Child | orthopedic, pedagogue, pediatrics | | pel, puls | drive, urge | compel, dispel, expel, repel, propel, pulse, impulse, pulsate, compulsory, expulsion, repulsive | | pend, pens, pond | hang, weigh | pendant, pendulum, suspend, appendage, pensive | | phage | Eat | macrophage, bacteriophage | | phil | Love | philosophy, philanthropy, philharmonic, bibliophile | | phlegma | inflammation | phlegm, phlegmatic | | phobia, phobos | Fear | phobia, claustrophobia, acrophobia, aquaphobia, ergophobia, homophobia | | phon | Sound | phonograph, phonetic, symphony, homophone, euphonious | | photo | Light | photograph, photoelectric, photogenic, photosynthesis | | plac, plais | please | placid, placebo, placate, complacent | | plu, plur, plus | More | plural, pluralist, plus | | pneuma, pneumon | breath | pneumatic, pneumonia, | | pod (see ped) |  |  | | poli | City | metropolis, police, politics, Indianapolis, megalopolis, acropolis | | poly | Many | polysaccharide, polyandrous, polytheistic | | pon, pos, pound | place, put | postpone, component, opponent, proponent, expose, impose, deposit, posture, position, expound, impound | | pop | people | population, populous, popular | | port | Carry | porter, portable, transport, report, export, import, support, transportation | | portion | part, share | portion, proportion | | pot | power | potential, potentate, impotent | | prehendere | seize, grasp | apprehend, comprehend, comprehensive, prehensile | | prim, prime | First | primacy, prima donna, primitive, primary, primal, primeval | | proto | First | prototype, protocol, protagonist, protozoan, Proterozoic, protoindustrial | | psych | mind, soul | psyche, psychiatry, psychology, psychosis | | punct | point, dot | punctual, punctuation, puncture, acupuncture, punctuation | | reg, recti | straighten | regiment, regular, rectify, correct, direct, rectangle | | ri, ridi, risi | laughter | deride, ridicule, ridiculous, derision, risible | | rog, roga | Ask | prerogative, interrogation, derogatory | | rupt | Break | rupture, interrupt, abrupt, disrupt, ruptible | | sacr, sanc, secr | sacred | sacred, sacrosanct, sanction, consecrate, desecrate | | salv, salu | safe, healthy | salvation, salvage, salutation | | sat, satis | enough | satient (giving pleasure, satisfying), saturate, satisfy | | sci, scientia | Know | science, conscious, omniscient, cognocienti | | scope | see, watch | telescope, microscope, kaleidoscope, periscope, stethoscope | | scrib, script | Write | scribe, scribble, inscribe, describe, subscribe, prescribe, manuscript | | sed, sess, sid | Sit | sediment, session, obsession, possess, preside, president, reside, subside | | sen | Old | senior, senator, senile | | senescere | to grow old | senescence, evanescent | | sent, sens | Feel | sentiment, consent, resent, dissent, sentimental, sense, sensation, sensitive, sensory, dissension | | sequ, secu, sue | Follow | sequence, consequence, sequel, subsequent, prosecute, consecutive, second, ensue, pursue | | serv | save, serve | servant, service, subservient, servitude, preserve, conserve, reservation, deserve, conservation, observe | | sign, signi | sign, mark, seal | signal, signature, design, insignia, significant | | simil, simul | like, resembling | similar, assimilate, simulate, simulacrum, simultaneous | | sist, sta, stit | Stand | assist, persist, circumstance, stamina, status, state, static, stable, stationary, substitute | | solus | Alone | solo, soliloquy, solitaire, solitude | | solv, solu | loosen | solvent, solve, absolve, resolve, soluble, solution, resolution, resolute, dissolute | | somnus | Sleep | insomnia, somnambulist | | soph | Wise | sophomore (wise fool), philosophy, sophisticated | | spec, spect, spic | Look | specimen, specific, spectator, spectacle, aspect, speculate, inspect, respect, prospect, retrospective, introspective, expect, conspicuous | | sphere | ball, sphere | sphere, stratosphere, hemisphere, spheroid | | spir | breath | spirit, conspire, inspire, aspire, expire, perspire, respiration | | string, strict | draw tight | stringent, strict, restrict, constrict, boa constrictor | | stru, struct | Build | construe (build in the mind, interpret), structure, construct, instruct, obstruct, destruction, destroy | | sume, sump | take, use, waste | consume, assume (to take, to use), sump pump presumption (to take or use before knowing all the facts | | tact, tang, tag, tig, ting | Touch | tactile, contact, intact, intangible, tangible, contagious, contiguous | | tele | Far | telephone, telegraph, telegram, telescope, television, telephoto, telecast, telepathy | | tempo | Time | tempo, temporary, extemporaneously, contemporary, pro tem, temporal | | ten, tin, tain | Hold | tenacious, tenant, tenure, untenable, detention, retentive, content, pertinent, continent, obstinate, contain, abstain, pertain, detain | | tend, tent, tens | stretch, strain | tendency, extend, intend, contend, pretend, superintend, tender, extent, tension, pretense | | terra | Earth | terrain, terrarium, territory, terrestrial | | test | to bear witness | testament, detest, testimony, attest | | the, theo | God, a god | monotheism, polytheism, atheism, theology | | therm | Heat | thermometer, theorem, thermal, thermos bottle, thermostat, hypothermia | | thesis, thet | place, put | antithesis, hypothesis, synthesis, epithet | | tom | Cut | atom (not cuttable), appendectomy, tonsillectomy, dichotomy, anatomy | | tort, tors | Twist | torture (twisting to inflict pain) retort, extort, distort, contort, torsion, tortuous, torturous | | tox | poison | toxic, intoxicate, antitoxin | | tract, tra | draw, pull | tractor, attract, subtract, tractable, abstract, subtrahend | | tom | Cut | atom (not cutable, smallest particle of matter), appendectomy, tonsillectomy, dichotomy, anatomy | | tort, tors | Twist | torture (twisting to inflict pain), retort, extort (twist out), distort, contort, torsion | | tox | poison | toxic, intoxicate, antitoxin | | tract, tra | draw, pull | tractor, attract, traction, subtract, tractable, abstract (to draw away), subtrahend (the number to be drawn away from another). | | trib | pay, bestow | tribute, contribute, attribute, retribution, tributary | | turbo | disturb | turbulent, disturb, turbid, turmoil | | typ | Print | type, prototype, typical, typography, typewriter, typology, typify | | ultima | Last | ultimate, ultimatum | | umber, umbraticum | shadow | umbra, penumbra, (take) umbrage, adumbrate | | uni | One | unicorn, unify, university, unanimous, universal | | vac | empty | vacate, vacuum, evacuate, vacation, vacant, vacuous | | vale, vali, valu | strength, worth | equivalent, valiant, validity, evaluate, value, valor | | ven, vent | come | convene, intervene, venue, convenient, avenue, circumvent, invent, convent, venture, event, advent, prevent | | ver, veri | True | very, aver, verdict, verity, verify, verisimilitude | | vert, vers | Turn | avert, divert, invert, introvert, convertible, reverse, controversy, versatile | | vic, vicis | change, substitute | vicarious, vicar, vicissitude | | vict, vinc | conquer | victor, evict, convict, convince, invincible | | vid, vis | See | video, evident, provide, providence, visible, revise, supervise, vista, visit, vision | | viv, vita, vivi | alive, life | revive, survive, vivid, vivacious, vitality, vivisection | | voc | Call | vocation, avocation, convocation, invocation, evoke, provoke, revoke, advocate, provocative, vocal | | vol | will | malevolent, benevolent, volunteer, volition | | volcan | fire | volcano, vulcanize, Vulcan | | volvo | turn about, roll | revolve, voluble (easily turned about or around *or* talkative), voluminous, convolution | | vor | eat greedily | voracious, carnivorous, herbivorous, omnivorous, devour | | zo | animal | zoo (short for zoological garden), zoology, zoomorphism (attributing animal form to god), zodiac (circle of animal constellations), protozoan | |  | | | |  | | | | | | | |
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| **Suffixes** | | | |
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