

## Greek and Latin Word Roots

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1	Greek	astron	aster, astr	a star	<b>asterisk</b> <b>astronomy</b> <b>astronaut</b>	* science of stars and the universe someone who journeys to or through space
2	Greek	auto	aut	self	<b>autograph</b> <b>autobiography</b> <b>automatic</b>	self written history of one's self having the power of moving itself; mechanical
3	Greek	bios	bio	life	<b>amphibious</b> <b>biography</b> <b>biology</b>	living in both elements history of the life and character of a particular person the study of life
4	Greek	chron		time	<b>chronicle</b> <b>chronology</b> <b>chronic</b>	a historical account of facts or events in order of time the science of time continuing a long time, as a disease
5	Greek	demos	dem	the people	<b>epidemic</b> <b>democracy</b> <b>demagogue</b>	a disease which seizes a great number of people government by the people a leader of the people
6	Greek	en	em	in, into, on	<b>emphasis</b> <b>enclose</b> <b>endorse</b>	to put stress on certain words or points of a discourse to surround; to shut in to assign by writing an order on the back of a bill [a check]
7	Greek	graphe	graph	a writing	<b>autograph</b> <b>hydrography</b> <b>grapheme</b>	self written the art of forming charts of bodies of water the letters that represents a phoneme (smallest unit of sound)
8	Greek	helios	heli	the sun	<b>helical</b> <b>heliocentric</b> <b>helium</b>	spiral; winding; moving around having the sun as the center an element [sun is mainly Hydrogen and Helium]
9	Greek	hydor	hydr	water	<b>hydrometer</b> <b>hydraulics</b> <b>hydrodynamics</b> <b>hydrogen</b>	an instrument to measure properties of fluids science of the motion and force of fluids study of water and other fluids Gas which constitutes one of the elements of water--H <sub>2</sub> O
10	Greek	hypo	hyp	under	<b>hypotheses</b> <b>hypothetical</b> <b>hypodermic</b>	placing under a supposition including a supposition; conditional under the skin

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11	Greek	kosmos	cosm	the world, order	<b>microcosm</b> <b>cosmopolitan</b> <b>cosmologist</b>	the little world person with no fixed residence; citizen of the world one who describes the universe
12	Greek	kratos	crac, crat	strength	<b>aristocracy</b> <b>democratic</b> <b>autocrat</b>	government by a small group of powerful, rich people government by the people ruler who holds power of government not subject to restriction
13	Greek	kyklos	cycl	a circle, cycle	<b>epicycle</b> <b>cyclic</b> <b>Cyclops</b> <b>encyclopedia</b>	the circular motion of the planets happening in cycles, again and again mythical giants with one large circular eye circle or compass of human knowledge
14	Greek	logos	log, logy, logu	a word	<b>logical</b> <b>chronology</b> <b>catalogue</b>	skilled in logic; versed in the art of thinking and reasoning arranging past events in their proper order according to their dates a list of names of men or things in a certain order, often alphabetical
15	Greek	meta	met	change, beyond	<b>metamorphose</b> <b>metaphor</b> <b>metallurgy</b>	a change of shape carry word beyond usual meaning the art of working [changing] metals
16	Greek	metron	metr, meter	measure	<b>geometry</b> <b>thermometer</b> <b>metronome</b> <b>telemetry</b>	the art of measuring the earth [now math of measurement, figures] an instrument for measuring heat device that produces measured beats of sound measure from afar; measuring & transmitting remote data

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17	Greek	micros	micr	little	<b>microcosm</b> <b>microbiology</b> <b>microphone</b> <b>microscope</b>	the little world the study of very small life forms an instrument to augment small sounds an optical instrument to magnify objects, to make visible minute objects
18	Greek	misos	mis	hatred	<b>misanthrope</b> <b>misogamist</b> <b>misogynist</b>	one who hates mankind one who hates marriage one who hates women
19	Greek	monos	mon	alone	<b>monarch</b> <b>monastery</b> <b>monochromatic</b> <b>monocotyledon</b> <b>monologue</b> <b>monosyllable</b>	prince or ruler of a nation who has absolute power a house of religious retirement, secluded from ordinary concerns consisting of one color a plant with one cotyledon or seed-lobe or seminal leaf a speech uttered by a person alone a word of one syllable
20	Greek	morph		shape, form	ectomorph endomorph metamorphosis morpheme morphology	lean shape rounded shape changing the form; transforming smallest part of a word that has meaning study of form & structure [geometry of rocks, linguistics-words, etc.]
21	Greek	naus	naus, naut	a ship	astronaut nausea nautical nautilus	someone who journeys [sails] to or through space sea-sickness; any similar sickness of the stomach pertaining to seamen or navigation genus of marine animals whose shell consists of one spiral valve divided into several apartments by partitions
22	Greek	onomy	nomy, nom	law, order	autonomous nominee taxonomy	independent in government; having the right of self government in law, a person named or designated by another classification
23	Greek	para	par	beside, near to, similar	parallel paradox paraphrase	beside one another contrary to opinion a version beyond the text
24	Greek	pathos	path	feeling	apathy pathetic pathology	utter privation, lack of passion affecting or moving the passions, particularly pity, sorrow, grief... part of medicine that explains nature of diseases, causes, symptoms

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25	Greek	peri		round about	<b>perimeter</b> <b>periphery</b> <b>periphrasis</b>	outer line around anything circumference round about way of speaking, circumlocution
26	Greek	phon	phone	sound	<b>euphony</b> <b>phoneme</b> <b>phonics</b> <b>symphony</b> <b>telephone</b>	an agreeable sound smallest unit of sound doctrine or science of sounds [in language] a harmony of sounds agreeable to the ear device for sending and receiving sound over distance
27	Greek	polis	pol	a city	<b>metropolis</b> <b>politeness</b> <b>policy</b>	mother city; large city, often a chief/capital city of a kingdom or state polish or elegance of manners frame of civil government in a state or kingdom
28	Greek	poly		many, having many	<b>polytechnic</b> <b>polygon</b> <b>polyglot</b> <b>polynomial</b>	comprehending many arts a figure of many angles and sides having or containing many languages containing many names or terms
29	Greek	syn	syl, sym, sy	together, with	<b>syllable</b> <b>symbol</b> <b>sympathy</b> <b>symphony</b> <b>syntax</b> <b>system</b>	a talking together sign or representation of any moral thing a suffering with a harmony of sounds agreeable to the ear a placing together standing together to form whole
30	Greek	tele	tel	distant	<b>telescope</b> <b>television</b> <b>teleportation</b> <b>telemetry</b>	optical instrument to see distant objects images and sound received through space [from a distance] moving an object or person through space [sci-fi] measure from afar; measuring & transmitting remote data
31	Greek	theos	the, thus	God	<b>theism</b> <b>atheist</b> <b>enthusiast</b>	belief or acknowledgment of the existence of God one who disbelieves the existence of God a person of ardent zeal
32	Greek	thermos	thermo	warm	<b>thermometer</b> <b>thermostat</b> <b>thermodynamics</b> <b>endothermic</b> <b>ectothermic</b>	instrument for measuring heat device that adjusts temperature science of heat, work, temperature, and energy warm blooded cold blooded

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1	Latin	aud		hear	<b>audible</b> <b>audience</b> <b>audit</b>	loud enough to be heard the act of hearing examine accounts with a hearing of the parties concerned
2	Latin	bene		well	<b>benediction</b> <b>benefit</b> <b>benevolence</b>	the act of blessing advantage good will
3	Latin	bi	bis	twice, two, double	<b>biped</b> <b>biscuit</b> <b>bisect</b>	animal with 2 feet baked twice to cut into two
4	Latin	ced	cess	move, yield	<b>cessation</b> <b>proceed</b> <b>recede</b> <b>process</b>	to stop motion or action to move forward from one place to another to move back; to retreat; to withdraw a moving forward; methodical management
5	Latin	circum	circu	about, around	<b>circulate</b> <b>circumnavigate</b> <b>circumscribe</b>	to carry around to sail around to write around
6	Latin	con	com, co, col, co with, together		<b>collide</b> <b>combine</b> <b>compassion</b> <b>concur</b> <b>connect</b> <b>construct</b> <b>contract</b> <b>cooperate</b> <b>correspond</b>	to strike together put together suffering with to agree with bind together to build together to draw together work with to answer with
7	Latin	de	de	from, down, of	<b>describe</b> <b>deduce</b> <b>deject</b> <b>depart</b> <b>depend</b> <b>depose</b> <b>descend</b> <b>desist</b>	to write of to draw from to cast down to part from to hang down from to put down to come down to cease from
8	Latin	dict		speak	<b>dictate</b> <b>dictionary</b> <b>predict</b>	to tell with authority book of words with their meanings, how they are spoken to foretell, speak before

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10	Latin	ex	e, ec, ef	out of	<b>eject</b> <b>emit</b> <b>exclude</b> <b>effuse</b>	to cast out to send out to shut out outpouring
11	Latin	fac	fact, fic, fect	make, do	<b>facsimile</b> <b>factory</b> <b>manufacture</b> <b>perfect</b>	copy, likeness place for making things to make something to make complete
12	Latin	inter	intro	between	<b>interpose</b> <b>intermediate</b> <b>interfuse</b>	to put between being in the middle place between 2 extremes to pour or spread between
13	Latin	liber		free	<b>liberate</b> <b>liberty</b> <b>liberally</b>	to free free from restraint bountifully; freely
14	Latin	mal	male	evil, ill, badly	<b>malady</b> <b>malediction</b> <b>maltreatment</b>	sickness of the human body evil speaking; cursing ill treatment
15	Latin	merc		pay	<b>commerce</b> <b>mercenary</b> <b>merchant</b>	the buying and selling of goods hired by money one who buys and sells goods
16	Latin	mis		wrong, ill	<b>misapply</b> <b>mischance</b> <b>misconceive</b>	to apply to a wrong person or purpose ill luck to receive a false notion or opinion of any thing; misjudge

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17	Latin	ob	oc, of, op	against, towards	<b>object</b> <b>occupy</b> <b>offer</b> <b>oppose</b>	to cast against to take possession [go towards and take] to bring towards to place against
18	Latin	pell	puls	drive	<b>propelled</b> <b>propulsion</b> <b>repellent</b>	driven forward act of driving away driving back
19	Latin	post		after	<b>postscript</b> <b>postpone</b> <b>postmeridian</b>	written after to put after, to defer belonging to the afternoon
20	Latin	pre		before	<b>precaution</b> <b>precede</b> <b>predict</b> <b>prefix</b> <b>prejudice</b>	forecaution to go before to tell before to fix before judgment beforehand
21	Latin	re		back, again	<b>rebuild</b> <b>recommence</b> <b>redeem</b> <b>reform</b> <b>retract</b> <b>revert</b>	to build again to begin anew to buy back to form again to draw back to turn back
22	Latin	rupt		broken	<b>corrupt</b> <b>erupt</b> <b>rupture</b>	to break; to change from good to bad the act of breaking or bursting forth from enclosure the act of breaking or bursting
23	Latin	sanct		holy, established	<b>sacrosanct</b> <b>sanction</b> <b>sanctuary</b>	sacred; inviolable to give validity or authority to a sacred place
24	Latin	scrib	script	write	<b>describe</b> <b>scribble</b> <b>scripture</b> <b>subscribed</b>	to show or represent to others in words to write without care books of the Bible; sacred writings having a name or names written underneath
25	Latin	sent	sens	feel	<b>sensation</b> <b>sensible</b> <b>sentient</b>	the perception of external objects by means of the senses perceptible by the mind or the senses having the faculty of perception

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26	Latin	spic	spect	see	<b>conspicuous</b> <b>inspection</b> <b>specimen</b> <b>spectacles</b>	open to the view; obvious to the eye a looking on or into; close or careful survey a part or small portion of any thing glasses (they help someone see better)
27	Latin	stru	struct	build	<b>construction</b> <b>destruction</b> <b>instruction</b> <b>structure</b> <b>construe</b>	the act of building the act of destroying; demolition the act of teaching practice of erecting buildings; a building of any kind to arrange words in their natural order; to interpret
28	Latin	sub	suc, suf, sug, sup, sus	under, after	<b>subject</b>  <b>subscribe</b> <b>subsequent</b> <b>succeed</b> <b>suffix</b> <b>suggest</b>	to cast under  to write under following after to go after to fasten after to bring under
29	Latin	super	sur (from Fr.)	above, over	<b>superabundant</b> <b>superfine</b> <b>supernatural</b> <b>supervision</b> <b>surcharge</b> <b>surname</b> <b>surrender</b>	over abundance overfine above natural an overseeing to overload an added name to render over
30	Latin	trans	tra, tran, tres	beyond, over	<b>tradition</b> <b>transcribe</b> <b>transfer</b> <b>transgress</b> <b>transmit</b> <b>transport</b> <b>traverse</b> <b>trespass</b>	delivering over, handing over to copy over to carry over to go beyond to send over or beyond to carry beyond to pass over to overstep
31	Latin	uni		one; producing one	<b>uniform</b> <b>union</b> <b>unity</b>	having one and the same form the act of joining 2 or more things into 1 the state of being 1; oneness
32	Latin	vid	vis	see	<b>vision</b> <b>video</b> <b>visual</b> <b>revision</b>	the act of seeing external objects; sight sound and images recorded for viewing pertaining to sight; used in sight review; re-examination for correction [see again]