

# ROOTS

Root	Meaning	Example(s)
anthro	man	anthropology
arch	chief; rule	archbishop
astro	star	astronomy
auto	self	automatic
ag, ac	to do	agenda, action
agr	to farm	agriculture
aqua	water	aqueous
aud	to hear	audition
act, ig	to act; to do	agent, ignore
agit	to stir; to drive	agitate
belli	to be against	belligerent
biblio	book	bibliography
bio	life	biology
chrom	color	chromosome
chron	time	chronology
cosmo	world	cosmic
crat	rule	autocrat
cycle	circle	bicycle
cred	believe	credit
cap, capt	to be able; to take, seize or grasp	capable, captive
ced	to yield, transfer, success	cede, proceed
cid, cis	to kill, cut, fall or happen	incision, suicide
clud, clus	to shut	conclude, conclusion
curr, cura, cours	to	curricula, curate, course
cant	to sing	cantations, chant
capit	head	capital
celer	speed	celerity, accelerator
da, dat, donat	to give, to render	data, donation
dent, dont	teeth	dentist, orthodontist
dic, dict, ditt	to say	diction, indication, ditto
duct	to lead	induction
eu	well, happy	eugenic
flu	to flow	superfluous, influenza

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fact, fic	to make	manufacture, factory, fiction, perfect
far, lat	to carry	farther, refer, dilate
fili	son	filial
fring, fract	to break	infringe, fracture
fer	to bear, to carry	conference, refer
frater	brother	fraternal
fund, fun	to pour	refund, confuse
fort	strong, strength	forte, fortitude
fid	faith	fidelity, fiduciary
gress, gred	to step, move or go	progress, degrade
graph, gram	to write	telegraph, telegram
gamos	marriage	monogamous
ge	earth	geology
gen	origin, people	generator, progenitor
gyn	women	gynecology
greg	group	gregarious
homo	man	homicide
homo	same	homogeneous
hydr	water	dehydrate
ject	to throw	reject
join, junct	to join; to connect	join, rejoin, junction
jud	to decide	judicial, judge
jur	right, justice, law	jury, jurisdiction
juven	young person	juvenile
logy	study of	psychology
lat	to bear, to carry	relate, laden
leg, lect	to read; law, legal	legal, lectern
logu, loc	to speak	loguacious
manu	by hand	manuscript
mand	to order	remand, command, mandate
mar	sea	maritime
mater	mother	maternal
med	middle	intermediate, medium
min	to lessen	diminish, minute, minature

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mis, mit	to send	remit, dismiss
mort	death	mortician, mortify
mote, mov	to move	remote, remove, motivate
magn, maj, max	large; larger; largest	magnify, majestic, maximum
mal	evil, bad	malcontent, maladjust
meter	measure	thermometer
ment, mom	mind, thought	moment
micro	small, minute	microscope
mono	one	monotony
naut	sailor	astronaut
nom	name	nominal, nominate
oid	like or resembling	spheroid, astroid
onomy	science	astronomy
onym, nym	name	synonym, pseudonym
ped	foot	pedal, pediatrician
pel	push	compel
port	to carry	portable, report
pater	father	paternity
pend	to hang	depend, pendant
plic	to fold	implicate, imply
pos, pon	to put, to place	possible, impose, postpone
pathos	feeling	pathology, sympathy
philo	love	philosophy
phobia	fear	hydrophobia
phon	sound	telephone, phonetics
pseudo	false	pseudonym
psych	mind	psychic, psychology
pos, pose, pone	to put, to place	position, repose, postpone
quad	four	quadruped, quadruple
reg, rect	to rule, to direct, to straighten	regal, regulate, direct
rupt	to break	rupture, erupt
scrib, scrip	to write	inscribe, conscription
seq, sec, sue	to follow	sequence, consecutive, pursue
spec, spic	to look	spectator

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sta, sti, stit, sist, sus	to stand	station, still, stilt, desist, sustain
sed, sess, sedat	to sit	sedate, session, sedate
sens	to feel, think, or perceive	sensitive
scop	to see	telescope
soph	wisdom	sophomore
solv, solut	release, set free	solve, solution
spec, specu	to look	spectator, speculate
stat	stand	static
strict	drawn tight	constrict
spir	to breathe	conspire, spiral
speed	moving quickly	speedometer
sec	to cut	section, dissect
therm	heat	thermostat
theo	god	theology
tele	far off	telephone, telescope
tact, tang, tract	to touch	tactile, tangible, abstract
ten, tain	to hold	retentive, retain
term	end	terminal
tra, tract	to draw	contradict, contract, traction
tort	to twist	torture
vit	life	vital, vitamins
ven, vent	to come, to go	vendor, venture, convention
vert, vers	to turn	convert, reverse
voc, voke	call	vocation, revoke
vict	conquer	evict, conviction
vid, vis	to see	video, revise
volv	to roll, to turn	evolve, revolver