

IT'S ROOT-IMENTARY!

Directions: For each word part in the left column, read the examples. Determine the meaning and write it in the right column.

Prefix	Examples	Prefix Meaning
Auto-	Autobiography, autocratic, autonomous, autograph, autoimmune	
De-	Decompress, deconstruct, deaccelerate, decriminalize	
Ex-	External, exterior, extraterrestrial, exit, explore	
Inter-	Interact, internet, interdisciplinary, interchangeable	
Omni-	Omnipotent, omnivorous, omniscient, omnivores, omniarch	
Sub-	Subzero, subconscious, submarine, submerge, submissive	
Tele-	Telephone, telepathy, television, telegraph, teleport	
Suffix	Examples	Suffix Meaning
-ary	Infirmary, cautionary, dietary, missionary, urinary, visionary	
-ation	Moderation, nation, hibernation, combination, concentration	
-cide	Germicide, pesticide, herbicide, homicide, insecticide	
-dom	Boredom, freedom, kingdom, seldom, fandom, wisdom	
-ery	Imagery, pottery, bakery, trickery, witchery, eatery	
-ium	Helium, ammonium chloride, lithium, platinum	
-tude	Altitude, gratitude, attitude, magnitude, latitude, multitude	

Root	Examples	Root Meaning
Apt	Aptitude, adapt, baptize, aptness	
Aqu	Aquatic, aquarium, aquanaut, aqualung	
Bene	Benefit, benign, beneficiary, benevolent, benefactor	
Biblio	Bibliography, bibliophile, bibliotheca	
Cand	Candle, candelabra, candescence, candid, candor	
Cede	Intercede, concede, secede, recede, precede	
Cept	Concept, interception, perception, reception	
Crit / Cris	Criticism, crisis, critique, critic, criterion, criteria	
Crypt	Cryptic, encrypted, cryptography, cryptology	
Dict	Dictionary, diction, dictate, dictator, dictar	
Fer	Transfer, inference, defer, fertile, refer, suffer	
Gen	Generation, generate, genocide, geneology, general	
Jur	Jury, jurisdiction, perjury, juris doctorate, juror, jurada	
Nom / Nomin	Nominate, misnomer, nominal, nomad, nombre	
Path	Pathetic, apathy, empathy, sympathy, psychopath, pathos	
Spec	Spectacle, inspect, specify, spectrum, spectate	
Tract	Tractor, attraction, traction, subtraction, abstract, distract	

Sources

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