

THE BUILDING BLOCKS — COMMON PREFIXES, SUFFIXES, WORD ROOTS

Word Roots		Prefixes		Suffixes	
<i>aqua</i>	water	<i>ab-</i>	from, away	<i>-al</i>	pertaining to (adjective)
<i>aud</i>	hear	<i>ad-</i>	to, toward	<i>-ance</i>	action, quality, state (noun)
<i>cred</i>	believe	<i>ante-</i>	before	<i>-ant</i>	one who (noun)
<i>dent</i>	teeth	<i>anti-</i>	against, opposite	<i>-ate</i>	act, furnish (verb)
<i>dict</i>	say	<i>auto-</i>	self	<i>-able</i>	capable of, fitness (adjective)
<i>duct</i>	lead	<i>bi-</i>	two	<i>-cy</i>	action, practice, state, or quality (noun)
<i>fid</i>	faith	<i>bio-</i>	life	<i>-er, -or</i>	one who, process of (noun)
<i>gram</i>	write	<i>circum-</i>	around	<i>-ful</i>	full of, characterized by (adjective)
<i>graph</i>	write	<i>co-, con-</i>	with, together	<i>-ial</i>	quality of (adjective)
<i>gress</i>	go	<i>contra-</i>	against	<i>-ic</i>	belonging to (adjective)
<i>ject</i>	push	<i>de-</i>	from, down	<i>-ion</i>	condition, state or process of (noun)
<i>junct</i>	joint	<i>dis-</i>	apart, away	<i>-ish</i>	belonging to (adjective)
<i>mort</i>	death	<i>ex-</i>	out of, from, formerly	<i>-ist</i>	person who does, skilled, professes a doctrine (noun)
<i>ped</i>	foot	<i>in-</i>	negative, in	<i>-ity</i>	state, quality, degree (noun)
<i>pel</i>	push	<i>inter-</i>	between, among	<i>-ive</i>	condition, state, or quality of (adjective)
<i>port</i>	carry	<i>intra-</i>	within	<i>-ly</i>	in the manner of (adverb)
<i>rupt</i>	break	<i>micro-</i>	very small	<i>-ous</i>	full of, having the quality of (adjective)
<i>tort</i>	twist	<i>mis-</i>	negative	<i>-sion</i>	condition, state, or quality of (noun)
<i>vit</i>	life	<i>mono-</i>	one, single	<i>-sene</i>	condition, state, or quality of (adjective)
		<i>per-</i>	through	<i>-tion</i>	condition, state, or quality of (noun)
		<i>post-</i>	after	<i>-tude</i>	condition, state, or quality of (noun)
		<i>pre-</i>	before		
		<i>pro-</i>	for, before		
		<i>re-</i>	again, against, back		
		<i>sub-</i>	under, beneath		
		<i>super-</i>	above, in excess		
		<i>tele-</i>	far		
		<i>trans-</i>	across, through		
		<i>tri-</i>	three		
		<i>un-</i>	negative		
		<i>uni-</i>	one		