

Greek and Latin Roots List

The following is a list of Greek and Latin roots. It is not an exhaustive list.
Many sources have lists of roots and words containing the roots.

Greek Root	Meaning	Examples
auto	self	automatic autopsy autobiography
cycl	circle	bicycle cycle cyclist cyclone encyclopedia motorcycle recycle
graph	written	autobiography bibliography geography oceanography telegraph photograph
hydr	water	hydrant hydrate hydraulic hydroplane hydrangea
ology	word study	analogy anthropology dermatology logical logo technology terminology volcanology
meter	measure	barometer centimeter cyclometer diameter kilometer odometer parameter pedometer perimeter

Greek Root	Meaning	Examples
micro	small	microbiology microchip microphone microwave microorganism
phone	sound	earphone headphone megaphone microphone saxophone symphonic telephone
scope	see, watch	horoscope kaleidoscope periscope microscope stethoscope telescope
tele	far	telecast telegraph telegram telephone telephoto telescope television televise
Latin Root	Meaning	Examples
aud	hear	audible audience audio audit audition auditorium audiovisual auditory
bene/beni	good, well	benefactor beneficial benediction benefit n
cap	head	cape (land) capillary capital capitalize capitol

		captain capitulate recapitulate
centr	center	central centrifugal concentric decentralize eccentric egocentric ethnocentric
cide	kill	fungicide genocide germicide herbicide homicide insecticide pesticide suicide

Latin Root	Meaning	Examples
clud, clus	shut	conclude conclusion exclude exclusive include inclusion preclude seclude seclusion
cor, corp	body	cognition cognizant incognito recognition recognize
dic, dict	say	benediction contradiction dedication dictate dictation dictator dictionary edict indict jurisdiction prediction valedictorian verdict

Latin Root	Meaning	Examples
doc	to teach	docent docile doctor doctorate doctrine document documentary indoctrinate
fac, fact	do, make	artifact benefactor facile facilitate fact faction factor factory manufacture satisfaction
fer	bear, carry	circumference conference conifer differ ferry fertile inference prefer reference suffer

Latin Root	Meaning	Examples
form	shape	conform conformist deform deformity formal formality formation formula formulate information platform reformation transform transformation uniform
ject	throw	dejected eject injection objection projectile projector reject subject trajectory
man	hand	manage mandate maneuver manicure manipulate manual manufacture manuscript

Latin Root	Meaning	Examples
miss, mit	send	admission admit commission commit emission intermission intermittent missile omit permission permit promise remission submission submit transmission transmit
mob, mot	move	automobile bookmobile commotion demobilize demotion emotion immobile mob mobile mobility motel motion motivation motorcycle promotion remote snowmobile

Latin Root	Meaning	Examples
multi	many, much	multicolored multicultural multifaceted multifamily multimedia multiple multiplication multipurpose multitude
ped	foot	centipede expedite impede impediment millipede moped orthopedic pedal pedestal pedestrian pedicure pedometer quadruped
port	carry	comportment deport deportee export import important portable porter portfolio rapport report reporter support transport transportation

Latin Root	Meaning	Examples
sist, stat	stand	assist consistent insistent resist resistible persist persistent state station stationary statistic static statue stature status subsist
spec	look	aspect circumspect disrespectful inspector introspection perspective prospect prospector respect retrospect specimen spectacle spectacular spectator spectrum speculate suspect

Greek Root	Meaning	Examples
spir	breathe	antiperspirant aspirate aspire conspire conspiracy coconspirator inspiration perspire respiration spirit spiritual transpire
tend, tens	stretch, strain	attend attendant contend distend extension intend intensifier portend pretend superintendent tendency tendrill tendon
tract	draw, pull	abstract attract contract contraction detract distraction extract extraction protracted protractor retraction subtract tract traction tractor
uni	one	reunion unicorn unicycle

		<div>uniform</div> <div>unify</div> <div>union</div> <div>unique</div> <div>unison</div> <div>unit</div> <div>unite</div> <div>unity</div> <div>universal</div> <div>universe</div> <div>university</div>
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Latin Root	Meaning	Examples
vers, vert	turn	adversary adverse advertise anniversary avert controversy conversation convertible convert diverse extrovert introvert reversible revert subvert traverse universe versus vertex vertical vertigo
vid, vis	see	advise audiovisual envision evident improvise invisible provision revision supervise televise video visa visible visit visitor visualize