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Greek and Latin Roots

Root/ prefix	Definition	Examples
Lesson One		
Root: <i>phot/phos</i>	light	phototropic, phosphorescent, photogenic
Root: <i>luc</i>	light	lucid, elucidate, translucent
Root: <i>spec/spect</i>	to look at	circumspect, prospect, specter
Root: <i>vid/vis</i>	to see, to look	invidious, providential, improvise
Lesson Two		
Root: <i>nunc/nounc</i>	to announce	enunciate, renounce, pronouncement
Root: <i>voc/vok</i>	to call	invoke, provocative, revoke
Root: <i>fa</i>	to speak	ineffable, infantile, affable
Root: <i>dic/dict</i>	to say, to tell	edict, indict, dictum
Lesson Three		
Root: <i>hib/hab</i>	to have, hold	prohibit, inhibit, habitat
Root: <i>fus/found</i>	to pour out	suffuse, confound, infuse
Root: <i>ten/tain/tin</i>	to hold	sustain, abstain, tenacious, retinue
Root: <i>ple</i>	to fill	replete, implement, deplete
Lesson Four		
Root: <i>form</i>	to form, to establish	misinformation, reform, formative
Root: <i>apt/ept</i>	to fit	inept, adept, aptitude
Root: <i>pos/pon</i>	to put, place	posit, impose, disposition
Root: <i>fig</i>	to shape	figment, effigy, prefigure
Lesson Five		
Root: <i>lega</i>	to appoint, send on mission, charge with	legacy, delegate
Root: <i>act/ag</i>	to do, act	agenda, proactive, exacting
Root: <i>puls/pel</i>	to push	repulsion, dispel, propel
Root: <i>cant/chant</i>	to sing, to call	recant, incantation, disenchanted
Lesson Six		
Root: <i>aud</i>	to hear	inaudible, auditory, audit
Root: <i>son</i>	to sound	dissonance, assonance, resonant
Root: <i>log</i>	to speak, reason	analogous, dialogue, prologue
Root: <i>bell</i>	war	bellicose, antebellum, belligerence

Lesson Seven

Root: am	love	enamored, amiable, amicable
Root: agon	contest, struggle	antagonize, protagonist, antagonist
Root: phil	love	philosophical, philanthropy, bibliophile
Root: vest	clothing	travesty, vested, vestment, divest

Lesson Eight

Root: ped	child	pedant, pedagogue, pediatrician
Root: ped/pod	foot	impediment, expedient, pedestrian, podium
Root: corpor/corpu	body	corporeal, corpulent, incorporate
Root: uni	one	uniform, unison, unanimous

Lesson Nine

Root: mono	one	monologue, monopolize, monogamy, monolithic
Root: homo	the same	homonym, homogenized
Root: equi	equal, even	equitable, equilibrium, iniquity
Root: ben	well, good	benevolent, benefactor, benign

Lesson Ten

Root: cord	heart	accord, discord, cordial
Root: anim	spirit	animosity, equanimity, magnanimous
Root: mal	bad	dismal, malevolent, malicious
Root: jur	to swear, vow, lar	perjury, abjure, conjure

Lesson Eleven

Root: domin	to rule, dominate	predominant, domineering, indomitable
Root: crat/crac	to rule, power	aristocracy, theocracy, bureaucrat
Root: leg	law	legitimize, privileged, legislative
Root: vor	to eat	voracious, omnivorous, herbivorous

Lesson Twelve

Root: cad/cas	to fall	decadent, cadence, casualty
Root: flu	to flow	affluent, superfluous, mellifluous
Root: lev	light (mood, air)	leaven, levity, alleviate
Root: laps	slip, slide	elapse, collapse, relapse

Lesson Thirteen

Root: ced	to move along, to go	recede, concession, cede
Root: sequi/sec	to follow	inconsequential, consecutive, execution
Root: cur,cour	to run	courier, incur, recurrent
Root: grad	to step	gradualism, regress, digress

Lesson Fourteen

Root: ambl/ambul	to walk	amble, ambulatory, preamble
Root: junct	to join, yoke	enjoin, injunction, rejoinder
Root: part	part	impartial, partisan, impart
Root: clus/clud	to close	inclusive, inconclusive, preclude

Lesson Fifteen

Root: cis	to cut	precise, indecisive, incision
Root: meta	after, changed, beyond	metabolism, metamorphosis, metaphorical
Root: alter	other	alteration, alternate, altercation
Root: simul	to imitate, pretend, appear to be	simulate, dissemble, semblance

Lesson Sixteen

Root: mort	death	immortalize, morbid, mortify, moribund
Root: nec/nox/nic	to hurt, kill	noxious, pernicious, necrosis
Root: bio	life	biodegradable, symbiotic, antibiotic
Root: viv	to live	vivacious, vivid, revival

Lesson Seventeen

Root: cogn	to know	incognito, cognitive, cognizant
Root: soph	wise	sophisticate, sophistry, sophomore
Root: matr	mother	matron, maternal, matriculate
Root: patr	father	patronize, paternal, patricide, expatriate

Lesson Eighteen

Root: fil	son, child	filial, affiliate
Root: gen	give birth to, create	progenitor, progeny, genealogy
Root: magn	large, great	magnitude, magnate
Root: maxim	largest, greatest	maxim, maximum

Lesson Nineteen

Root: min	less, to lessen	diminish, miniscule, minute
Root: micro	small	microscopic, microcosm
Root: mega	large	megalopolis, megalomania