

Affix List

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Prefixes (before the root)

Prefix	Definition	Examples	Origin
ad-	to, toward	adequate, adhere, adjective	Latin
com-, con-	with, together	commune, community, conjunction, combine, conspire, confluence	Latin
de-	off, from	deliver, deforest, dethrone, decamp	Latin
dia-	across, through	diabolical, diadem, diagnosis, diagonal, diagram, diameter	Greek
dis-	apart, away	displaced, disjointed, disoriented	Latin
epi-	on, upon, befall (happen to)	epidermis, epidemiology, epidemic	Greek
ex-, exo-	out of, from	exoskeleton, exterior, external	Greek
in-, im-, ir-, il-	not	inability, impatient, irregular, illegal	Latin
in-, im-	into, in, on, upon	inhabited, improve, informed	Latin
inter-	between	intercept, interview, interstate	Latin
micro-	small, minute	microbiology, microscope	Greek
pre-	before	predict, predate, preread	Latin
pro-	forward, forth, publicly	progress, proceed, produce	Latin

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re-	again	research, reread, redo, regain	Latin
retro-	back, backward	retroactive, retrograde, retrospective	Latin
se-	apart	separate, select	Latin
super-	above, on top of, beyond	superfine, superhuman, supersonic	Latin
syn-, sym-	with, together	sympathy, symphony, synthesis, synthetic, photosynthesis, synonym, synagogue, synchronize	Greek
trans-	across, change, through	transformation, transportation, transfer	Latin
un-	not	unfamiliar, unpopular, unlikely	Old English
uni-	one, single	unicorn, unicycle, uniform	Latin

Roots

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amo, amatum	love	amateur, amiable, amicable, amorous, enamored, enemy	Latin
aqua	water	aquarium, aqueduct, aquaculture, aquamarine	Latin
arbor, arboris	tree	arboretum, grape arbor, arborvitae	Latin
assess	to test	assess, assessment, assessor	Latin
aud	to hear	audible, audio, auditory	Latin
bene, boun, bon	good, well	benefit, benign, beneficial, Benedict, bonus, bonanza, bonbon, bounty	Latin
bonus	good	bonus, bonbon, bonny, bounty, bonanza, boon	Latin
chronos (chron)	time	chronological, synchronize, chronicle, chronic, chronometer	Greek
consist	adhering to the same principles	consistent, inconsistent, consists	Latin
cred	believe	credible, credo, credence	Latin
dem(os)	people	democratic, epidemic, demographics	Greek
dendron	tree	rhododendron, dendrophile, dendrometer, dendriform	Greek
effectivus	practical	effect, effective, effectively	Latin
facio, factum, fy, fier	make, do	factory, manufacture, deface	Latin

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familiaris	of a household	unfamiliar, familiar, family	Latin
figo, fixum	attach	fix, fixture, crucifix, affix, prefix, suffix	Latin
gen	create	generate, genesis, generator	Latin
habitare	dwell, live	inhabit, inhabited	Latin
hydros (hydr)	water	hydrogen, hydrant, hydroplane	Greek
identitas	same	identity, identical	Latin
ignis	fire	igneous, ignite, ignition	Latin
jungo, junctum	join	join, joint, conjunction, disjointed, junction, subjugate	Latin
kinesis, cinema	movement	kinetic, kinesiology, cinema, cinematographer	Greek
luna	moon	lunar, lunatic, lunacy, clair de lune, lunambulist, lunation	Latin
logos	word, speech	dialogue, monologue	Greek
magnus	large, big	magnify, magnifier, magnitude, magnificent, magnanimous	Latin
narr	to say, to tell	narrative, narrate, narrator	Latin
occupare	to seize, take hold of, make one's own	occupy, preoccupied, occupation	Latin
philia, phile	love	philosopher, Philadelphia, philanthropist, Francophile	Greek
phobos	fear	phobia, claustrophobia, hydrophobia, phobophobia	Greek

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platea	place, street, area	displaced, place, replace	Latin/ Greek
pono, postum (pos, post)	put, place	pose, post, postage, position, deposit, depose, impose, component	Latin
port	to carry	portable, transport, export, portfolio, porter	Latin
scio, scitum (sci)	know	science, scientific, conscience, prescience, omniscience	Latin
scribe (scrib), scriptum (script)	to write	describe, manuscript, scriptures, inscribe, prescription, script	Latin
sonus	sound	sound, sonic, sonnet, sonovox, sonar, sonata, consonant	Latin
spectro, spect, spec	to see, watch, observe	spectate	Latin
tech	art and craft	techniques, technology	Greek
tempus, temporis	time	temporal, temporary, extemporaneous, contemporary, tempo	Latin
testis, testari, testor	assert (to state with force or confidence), witness	protest, attest, testify	Latin
thermos (therm)	heat	thermometer, thermostat, thermos, thermal	Greek
vac	empty	vacate, evacuate, vacancy, vacuum,	Latin

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		vacuous	
verbum	word	verb, proverb, verbal, verbiage, verbose, verbatim, verbalize	Latin
vocare (voc, vok)	to call or summon	vocal, vocabulary, vocation, vocational, voice, revoke, invoke	Latin

Suffixes (after the root)

Suffix	Definition	Examples	Origin
-age	result of an action, collection	manage, drainage, acreage	Latin
-al	of or pertaining to; having the form of	identical, practical, natural	Latin
-cy, -cies	used to form an abstract noun	Inconsistency, inconsistencies, emergency, emergencies	Latin
-ed	past tense	jumped, pressed, pushed	Old English
-ent, -ant	an action, condition or causing a specific action	student, contestant, immigrant, obedient, absorbent, abundant, elegant	Latin
-ful	full of	gourdfull, handful, fistful, helpful, careful	Old English
-hood	state, quality, condition of	neighborhood, childhood, brotherhood	Old English
-ic	relating to, characterized by	energetic, historic	Latin/ Greek
-ice	state or quality of	justice, service, accomplice, apprentice, injustice	Latin
-ify	to make, to form into	fortify, solidify, liquify	Latin
-ity, -ty	state of, quality of	prosperity, equality	Latin
-ish	like, having the characteristics of, inclined or tending to	childish, girlish, impish, freakish, bookish, oldish	Old English

Suffix	Definition	Examples	Origin
-ist	person who practices or is concerned with	biologist, epidemiologist, florist	Latin/ Greek
-ive	tending or having to do with	effective, objective, progressive, conservative	Latin
-ize	to make, to cause to become	fertilize, criticize, apologize	Latin/ Greek
-less	without	tireless, childless, sleepless	Old English
-logy	study of	biology, epidemiology, geology	Latin/ Greek
-ment	for nouns, showing action or state of being	assessment, refreshment, abridgment, ornament	Latin
-ous, -eous, -ious	full of, characterized by	adventurous, nervous, mysterious, courteous	Latin
-some	characterized by a thing, quality, state, or action	awesome, burdensome, winsome, quarrelsome	Old English
-ward	in the direction of	forward, toward, westward	Old English