Focus on Achievement

Objective: I can choose the correct meaning/usage of multiusage words by replacing them with synonyms and antonyms.

The Phoenix Mars Lander is a NASA spacecraft that landed on the Red Planet in May 2008 to study the history of water and potential for life on the planet.

What is another word for potential?

- A. existence
- B. situation
- C. possibility
- D. qualification

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"They've really gone above and beyond," Minch said of the <u>array</u> of aquariums, marine rehab centers and other organizations that have taken in turtles.

What is a SYNONYM for array?

- A. review
- B. assortment
- C. sections
- D. construction

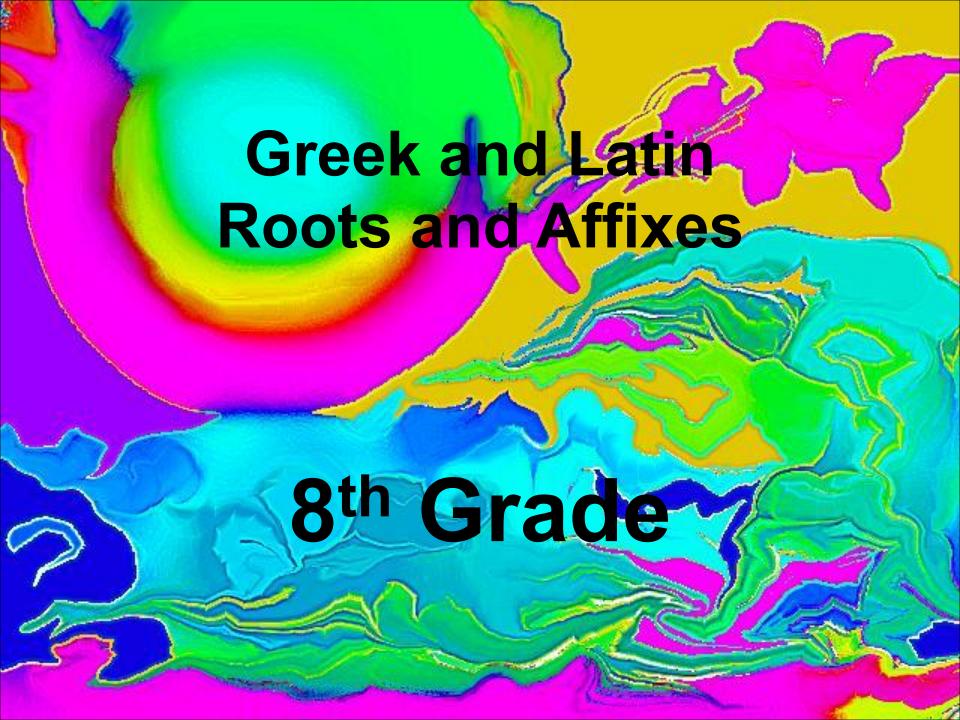
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It's an unprecedented <u>occurrence</u>, and the scope of the rescue project has grown each day.

What is a SYNONYM for occurrence?

- A. event
- B. concept
- C. endeavor
- D. problem





How do you use knowledge of roots and affixes to determine the meaning of unfamiliar words? (0801.1.13)

Objective

Why Study Word Roots, Prefixes, and Suffixes?

- English is a living language, and it is growing all the time.
 One way that new words come into the language is when words are borrowed from other languages. New words are also created when words or word elements, such as roots, prefixes, and suffixes, are combined in new ways.
- Many English words and word elements can be traced back to Latin and Greek. Often you can guess the meaning of an unfamiliar word if you know the meaning.

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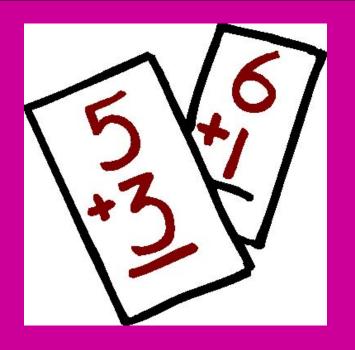
- A word root is a part of a word. It contains the core meaning of the word, but it cannot stand alone.
- A <u>prefix</u> is also a word part that cannot stand alone. It is placed at the beginning of a word to change its meaning.
- A <u>suffix</u> is a word part that is placed at the end of a word to change its meaning.
- Often you can guess the meaning of an unfamiliar word if you know the meaning of its parts; that is, the root and any prefixes or suffixes that are attached to it.

Today's roots and affixes

- 1. Ad: prefix, from Latin
- 2. Astro: prefix, from Greek
- 3. Hetero: prefix, Greek
- 4. Paleo: prefix, Greek
- 5. Bene: prefix, Latin



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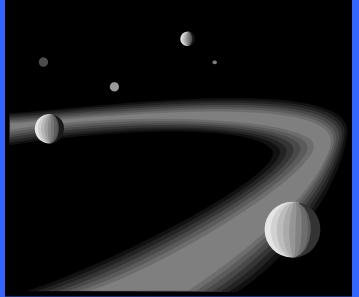


to, towards



adhesive, adapt, addition

astro/aster





Star,
Celestial



astronomy, astrology, asteroid

hetero





different, other

heterogeneous, heterocyclic



paleo

old, ancient

Paleolithic, paleontologist

bene





good, well

benefit, beneficial





Today's roots and affixes

1. Ject: from Latin

2. Stella: from Latin

3. Al: from Latin

4. Pend: from Latin

5. De: from Latin

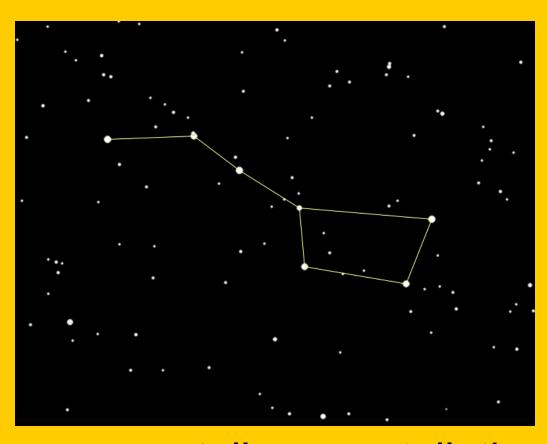


ject

throw

eject, projectile, injection

stella



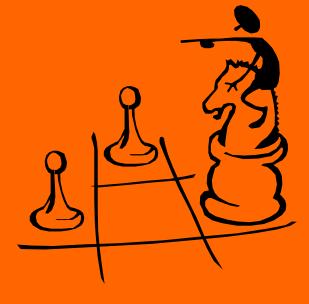


star

stellar, constellation, interstellar

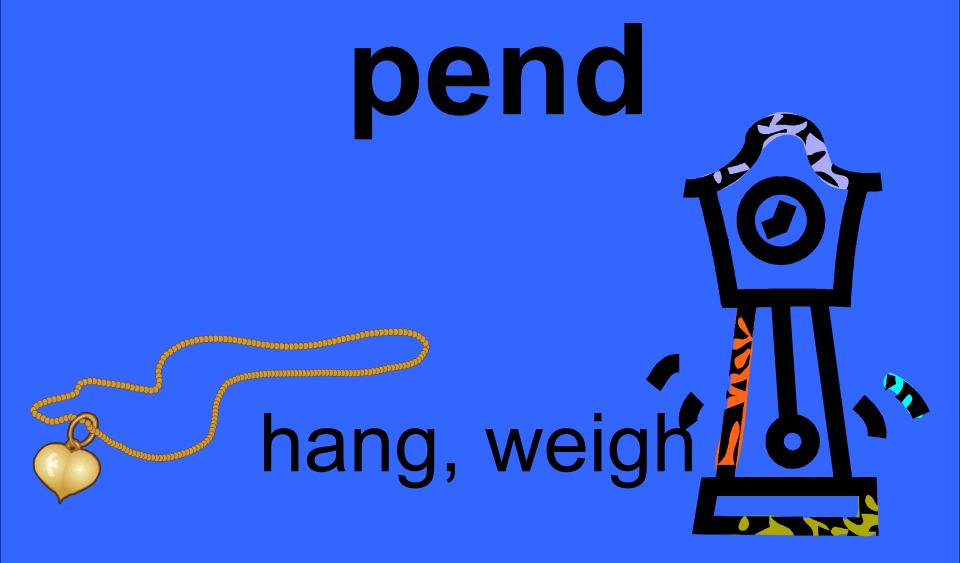
al





Relating to, pertaining to

manual, cerebral, animal



pendulum, pendant, independent

de





down, away, remove



decelerate, dethrone, deplete

Today's roots and affixes

1. flex: from Latin

2. chron: from Greek

3. syn/sym: from Latin

4. fer: from Latin

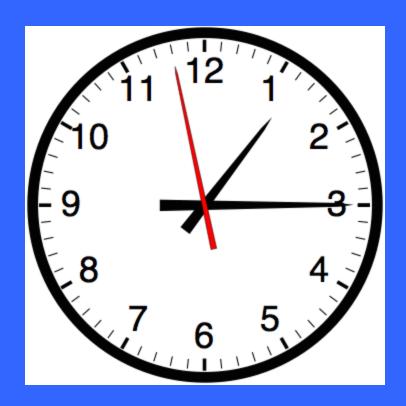
5. rupt: from Latin

flex





flexible, circumflex



time



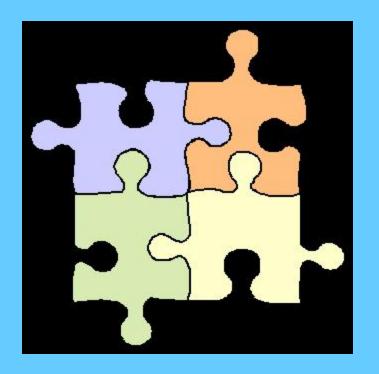


chronological, synchronize



syn/sym

together, with



synonym, synthetic



carry, bring

fer



transfer, ferry

rupt





break, burst

rupture, erupt

Today's roots and affixes

1. ism: from Greek

2. sol: from Latin

3. ize: from Latin

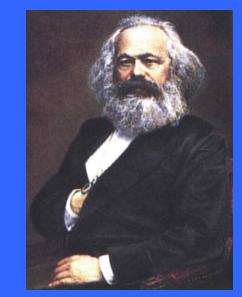
4. cede: from Latin

5. voc: from Latin

-ism

CAPITALISM ROCKS!

doctrine, condition of, manner of, theory





capitalism, heroism, alcoholism



alone



SO



solo, solitude, solitaire



-ize

to make into, to do



crystallize, synchronize

cede



to go, yield, leave



precede, recede



VOC



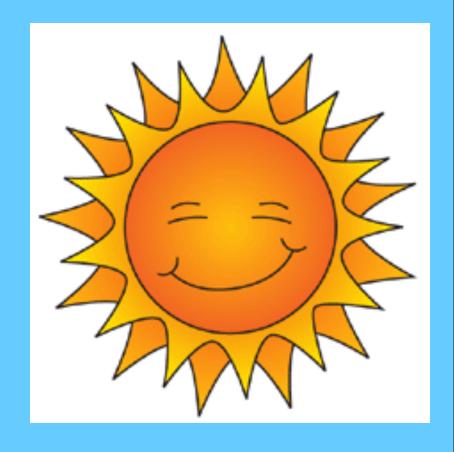
voice, call

advocate, vocabulary

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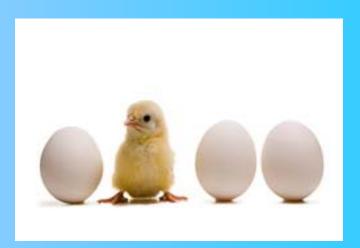
helio

sun



heliocentric, perihelion





neo

new



neonatal, neophyte

temp





time

temporary, contemporary



mal





dismal, malady, malignant

tempo





time

temporarily, contemporary



ante



antecedent, antebellum

im



not

impossible, immature, immeasurable

Something to think about...

- How will you apply your knowledge of roots and affixes in your daily life?
- Why do we study roots and affixes?
- How can roots and affixes effect word meaning?
- Where you might find words containing some of these roots?
- How will knowing these roots make you a better reader?
- How can you use this information on TCAP and other tests?

Creating a Root Attack Poster

- The root and its definition should be placed in an area on the poster that makes it easy to see and read at the top, centered inside something, etc.
- The root itself should be highlighted by being a different color than all other words.
- Add illustrations with the related words definitions where possible.
- Check your spelling.

