

Appendix A. Prefix meanings and examples, including alternate spellings.

Prefix	Meaning(s)	Example words
a	<i>on/in; to; not, without</i>	abiotic, atheist, among, ahead, about
ab	<i>away, from</i>	abuse, abnormal
ad* (ac, ach, af, ag al, ap, ar, as, at)	<i>toward, in, near</i>	advantage, accelerate, achieve, affirmative, aggression, alliance, applied, arrangement, assumption, attendance, attraction
anti	<i>against, opposite</i>	antithesis, antagonist
bi	<i>two</i>	bisect, billion
con* (co, col, com, cor)	<i>with, joint</i>	condensation, cohesive, collect, complicate, correspond
de	<i>away from, down</i>	decompose, depression
dis* (di, dif)	<i>not, apart, absence of</i>	discriminate, diminish, divide, difference
e	<i>lacking, out</i>	eliminate
en	<i>to make something (X)</i>	enforce, enable, enclose
ex	<i>out</i>	expression, expose
in* (il, im, ir)	<i>(1) in, on, toward (2) not</i>	(1) information, investigate, illustrate, impressionism, irrigation, (2) independent, illegal, immunity, irregular
inter* (intel)	<i>between</i>	intercept, intelligence
intro	<i>in, inward</i>	introduction
multi	<i>many, much</i>	multiply, multidimensional
non	<i>not</i>	nonprofit
ob* (oc, of, op)	<i>down, facing, against, to</i>	observation, occupational, official, oppose
out	<i>out of</i>	outlaw, outcome
over	<i>'do too much of X'</i>	overestimate
per	<i>through, completely</i>	permanent, permutation
pre	<i>before, earlier</i>	predictable, prejudice
pro	<i>forward, prior to</i>	progress, proposal
quadr	<i>four</i>	quadrillion
re	<i>again, back</i>	react, replicate, respond
se	<i>apart, without</i>	segregate, select
sub* (suc, suf, sup, sus)	<i>under, below, secondary</i>	suburb, successive, sufficiency supplementary, sustenance
super	<i>over, above, extreme</i>	superstition, superlative
trans	<i>beyond, across</i>	transport, transfer
tri	<i>three</i>	triple, triangle
un	<i>not, opposite, reverse</i>	unobtainable
under	<i>under</i>	undergo, underestimate
uni	<i>one</i>	uniform

Note: *most common spelling.

Appendix B. Suffix meanings and examples, including alternate spellings.

Suffix	Meaning(s) and outcome category	Example words
able* (ible)	<i>able, can do</i> – adjective	permeable, invisible
al	<i>'relating to', 'characterized by'</i> - adjective, noun	legal, individual
ant	<i>'action' or 'state'</i> – noun	stimulant, dominant
ar	<i>of or pertaining to</i> -adjective	stellar, similar, polarity
ary	<i>relating to, place where</i> – noun, adjective	summary, boundary, voluntary, preliminary
ate	<i>cause, make</i> – verb, adjective	accelerate, accurate
ation	<i>act of, state of</i> – noun	confirmation, population
ence	<i>action, state, quality</i> – noun	sequence, audience, circumference
ent	<i>referent</i> – noun, adjective	nutrient, coincident, independent
er	<i>one who, that which</i> – noun	computer, cartographer
ial* (cial, tial)	<i>relating to, characterized by</i> – adjective	imperial, commercial, special, sequential
ic	<i>of, pertaining to, like</i> – adjective	elastic, exothermic
illion	<i>to the power of a million</i> -numeral	quadrillion
ion (sion, tion*)	<i>act of, state of</i> – noun	opinion, transfusion, distribution
ism	<i>characteristic, manner, condition</i> – noun	altruism, nativism
ist	<i>one who</i> – noun	tourist, chemist
ity	<i>state of, quality</i> – noun	velocity, majority
ive	<i>causing, making</i> – adjective	reflexive, consecutive
ize	<i>to make more like X</i> – verb	fertilize, civilize
logy	<i>science or study of</i> – noun	hydrologic, psychology
ly	<i>manner or like</i> – adverb	solely, definitely
ment	<i>result of, act of</i> – noun	document, entitlement, harassment
or	<i>one who, that which</i> – noun	dictatorship, creditor, monitor
ory	<i>pertaining to, characterized by</i> – adjective	memory, transitory
ous	<i>full of, having</i> – adjective	coniferous, unambiguous
teen	<i>ten</i> -numeral	fifteen
th	<i>'forms ordinal numbers'</i> – adjective	fifteenth
ure (ture*)	<i>state of, process, office, function</i> – noun	pressure, monoculture, manufacture
y	<i>inclined to</i> – adjective <i>state, condition, quality</i> - noun	milky, injury, hierarchy

Note: * most common spelling.

Appendix C. Latin Root meanings and examples, including alternate spellings.

Latin Root	Meaning(s)	Example words
act	<i>do, act</i>	active, interact
ang	<i>angle</i>	triangular
anim	<i>living, soul</i>	animate
cap (cept*, ceive, cip, cup)	<i>take, seize, hold, receive, contain</i>	capture, accept, perception, conceive, anticipate, occupant
cede (ceed, cease, cess*)	<i>yield, go, surrender</i>	antecedent, exceed, ceaseless, successive
celer	<i>speed, swift</i>	decelerate
chart* (cart)	<i>draw</i>	flowchart, cartoon,
circ	<i>round, circle</i>	circuit
clar	<i>clear</i>	clarify, declarative
claus (clos, clud, clus*)	<i>shut, close</i>	clause, foreclosure, including, exclusive
commun	<i>common, together</i>	commonwealth, communicate
cult	<i>care, cult</i>	cultivate, culture
cur* (course)	<i>run, go</i>	current, occurrence, discourse
dic (dex, dict*)	<i>say, tell</i>	predicate, index, predict
duc (duce, duct*)	<i>lead</i>	reproducible, introduce, conduction
electr	<i>electric</i>	electromagnet, electron
equ	<i>equal</i>	inadequate, equity
estim	<i>guess</i>	estimate
fac (fact, fect, fic*)	<i>do, make</i>	factory, perfect, simplification, beneficiary
fer	<i>carry, yield</i>	aquifer, reference, differentiate
fid (fed*)	<i>trust</i>	confidence, federal
fin	<i>end</i>	finals, definition
flex* (flect)	<i>bend, curve</i>	flexible, reflect
form	<i>shape</i>	formulate, transform
gen* (gene)	<i>race, kind, birth</i>	genocide, generate, heterogeneous
grad (gress*)	<i>step, degree, go</i>	gradient, digressive
jec (jac, ject*)	<i>throw, lie</i>	adjacent, object
lat	<i>carry, bear</i>	relate, translate
latus (later*)	<i>side</i>	multilateral
lect* (lec, leg, lig)	<i>choose, pick, read</i>	election, selective, college, legend, intelligence
leg	<i>law</i>	privilege, legislature
liter (lit, litera*)	<i>letter</i>	illiteracy, literal
migr	<i>go away, change, depart</i>	emigrant, migratory
min	<i>small</i>	minority, minimal
mob (mot*, mov)	<i>move</i>	automobile, unmotivated, promote, remove
mod	<i>bound, method, manner</i>	unmodified, accommodate
mol	<i>mass, pile</i>	molecule

Appendix C. Latin Root meanings and examples, including alternate spellings. (continued)

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mut	<i>reciprocal, borrowed</i>	mutual
nat	<i>people, produce</i>	native, national
nom	<i>part</i>	polynomial
not	<i>write, mark</i>	notation
nuc	<i>core</i>	nucleus
numer	<i>number</i>	numeric, enumerated
org	<i>tool, instrument</i>	organize, organism
pend* (pens)	<i>hang, weigh</i>	appendix, pendulum, suspension
ple	<i>fill, fulfill</i>	supplement, deplete
plic* (plex, ply)	<i>fold</i>	duplicate, complexity, multiply
pos* (pon, pound)	<i>put, place, set, pose</i>	proposition, exponent, compound
press	<i>press, pursue</i>	oppression, expression
radi	<i>ray, spoke</i>	radius, radioactive
rect	<i>straight, right</i>	director, rectangle
sect	<i>cut</i>	insect
sequ* (secu)	<i>follow</i>	consequence, persecute, consecutive
serv	<i>serve, keep</i>	reservoir, observation, service
solv (solu*)	<i>loosen, slacken, solve</i>	dissolve, resolution
son	<i>sound</i>	sonar, consonant
spec	<i>view, sight, kind</i>	specify, species
sta (sist, stat*, stit)	<i>stand, set</i>	establish, overstatement, consistent, assistant, constitutional
struct* (stru)	<i>build</i>	restructure, instrument
ten (tain*, tin, tinu)	<i>hold</i>	tenant, maintain, continental, continuation
tend (tens*, tent)	<i>stretch, strain</i>	tendon, intensity, intent
tract	<i>draw, pull</i>	contraction
valu	<i>give value</i>	valence, evaluate
vari	<i>vary</i>	variable
ven (vent*)	<i>come</i>	intervene, revenue, eventual
verbum (verb*)	<i>word</i>	proverb, verbal
vert (vers*)	<i>turn</i>	vertical, diversity, advertise
vid (vis*)	<i>see, separate</i>	evident, revise

Note: * most common spelling.

Appendix D. Greek Roots meanings and examples, including alternate spellings.

Greek Root	Meaning(s)	Example words
agon	<i>contest</i>	protagonist
allel (llel*)	<i>one another</i>	allele, parallel
ana	<i>up, again, on, backwards</i>	analyze, anagram
apo	<i>derived from, away</i>	apothem, apostrophe
arch	<i>chief, ruler</i>	anarchy, architect
archae* (arche, archi)	<i>ancient, primitive</i>	archaeologist, archetype, archive
arithm	<i>number, count</i>	algorithm, arithmetic
astr* (aster)	<i>star</i>	astronomy, asteroid
auto	<i>self</i>	autonomy, automate
bol	<i>throw</i>	parabola, symbol
bio	<i>life</i>	biology, symbiosis
chem	<i>'art of alloying metals'</i>	chemist, alchemy
chondr	<i>lump, grain</i>	mitochondrion
chron	<i>time</i>	chronology
clima	<i>weather</i>	climagraph, microclimate
cracy* (crat)	<i>rule, strength</i>	theocracy, democrat
crit	<i>judge</i>	critical, criterion
cryst	<i>hard, crust, 'clear ice'</i>	recrystallization
cycl	<i>circle, wheel</i>	encyclopedia, cyclic
dec	<i>ten</i>	decade, decimal
demo	<i>people</i>	democracy, demographic
dia	<i>through, across, between</i>	diagonal, dialect
drama	<i>drama</i>	dramatist
eco	<i>house, home, environment</i>	economy, ecology
epi	<i>above, in addition to</i>	epidermis, epilogue
geo	<i>earth</i>	geochemical, geoscience
giga	<i>billion</i>	gigameter
gon	<i>angle</i>	paragon, trigonometry
graph* (gram)	<i>write, draw</i>	photograph, anagram
hect	<i>hundred</i>	hectare
hedr	<i>seat, side</i>	polyhedral
hex	<i>six</i>	hexagon
hydro	<i>water</i>	hydrogen, carbohydrate
hyper	<i>over</i>	hyperbolic
hypo	<i>under</i>	hypothesis, hypotonic
iso	<i>equal</i>	isotherm
kilo	<i>thousand</i>	kiloliter
log* (logue)	<i>speech, word, reason</i>	illogical, dialogue
lysis	<i>breakdown, decomposition</i>	analysis, catalyst
magn	<i>magnet</i>	electromagnetic

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meta	<i>beside, after, later</i>	metaphor, metamorphosis
metr	<i>measure</i>	metric, parameter, millimeter
micro	<i>small, minute</i>	microclimate, microwave
mito	<i>thread</i>	mitochondrion, mitosis
mon	<i>one</i>	monopolize, monohybrid
nano	<i>dwarf, 'very small'</i>	nanosecond
nom* (nym)	<i>name, word</i>	astronomer, acronym
odo	<i>path, road</i>	exodus, periodical
oid	<i>like, 'having the form of'</i>	asteroid, trapezoid
oxy	<i>sharp, concerning oxygen</i>	oxidize, oxymoron
para	<i>beside, position</i>	parasite, paradigm
pent	<i>five</i>	pentagon
peri	<i>around, near</i>	periscope, periodical
phas	<i>show, appearance</i>	emphasis, prophase
phil	<i>love, respect</i>	philanthropist, philosophy
phon	<i>sound, voice</i>	megaphone, phonology
phor	<i>carry</i>	metaphor, anaphora
photo	<i>light</i>	photograph
phras	<i>express</i>	paraphrase
phys	<i>nature</i>	physiographic, physics
pict	<i>draw</i>	pictograph
pol	<i>city, citizen</i>	politic, police
poly	<i>many</i>	polymer, polygon
schema	<i>form, shape</i>	schematic, scheming
scope	<i>watch, see</i>	endoscope
semi* (hemi)	<i>half</i>	semicircle, hemisphere
sphere	<i>circle</i>	atmosphere
syn* (syl, sym)	<i>together</i>	synonym, syllabic, symmetry
sys	<i>whole body</i>	subsystem
techn	<i>skill, craft, art</i>	technique, technology
tele	<i>distant</i>	telescope
theor	<i>contemplation</i>	theorem
therm	<i>heat</i>	thermodynamics, thermal
thesis* (theta)	<i>proposition, statement</i>	hypothesis, hypothetical
tropo	<i>turn, change</i>	troposphere, tropical
typ	<i>mark, type</i>	stereotype, typeface

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