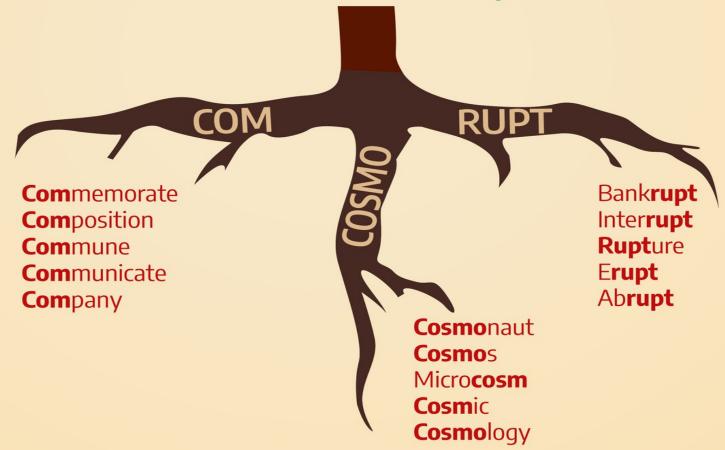


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1.

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Act	Latin	Do, act

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING
Act ivity	Something that a person does
React	To do something in response
Inter act ion	Communication between two or more
Actor	A person who acts in plays, movies, TV
Actual	Existing in act or fact; real:

2.

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Aer/o	Greek	air

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING	
Aer ate	To let air reach something	
Aerial	Relating to the air	
Aero space	Of airplane or space industry	
Aerobics	Exercises that strengthen the heart and lungs	
Aerodynamics	The study of the motion of air and other gases	

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Ambul	Latin	Walk, move

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING	
Amb le	To walk in a slow, relaxed way	
Ambulant	Walking or moving around	
Ambulance	A vehicle that moves a patient	

Ambul atory	Moving about or from place to place
Ambul ette	Motor vehicle for transporting handicapped
	people

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Andr/o	Greek	Man, male

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING
Andro gynous	Looking both male and female
Andro id	Resembling a human
Mis andr y	Hatred towards men
Andro centric	Centered on males
Andro gen	Substance that promotes male characteristics

5.

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Cert	Latin	Sure, certain

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING
Certain	Being absolutely sure
Certify	To state that something is true
Cert ificate	Written document that gives proof that
	something is true
Certitude	Freedom from doubt
Certifiable	That can be certified

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Chron/o	Greek	Time

ENGLISH	ENGLISH MEANING
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WORDS	
Chronic	Lasting for a long time
Chronology	A list of the order in which things occur
Syn chron ize	Happening at the same time
Chronicle	A record of events in the order in which
	they occurred
Chrono graph	Timepiece that measures brief intervals
	of time accurately

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Cline	Latin	Lean

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING	
In clin ation	A surface that slopes or leans	
In cline	To slant, lean, or bend	
Recline	To lean back and relax	
Syncline	A concave-upward fold in rock strata	
Anti cline	A fold with strata sloping downwards on each	
	side	

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Col	Latin	Together, jointly

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING
Collaborate	To work together
Collision	Smashing together
Colloquial	Words formed by everyday interaction
Colony	A group of organisms of the same kind in the
	same area
Colleague	A fellow member of a profession

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Com	Latin	Together, common

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING
Commemorate	To memorize together
Composition	An arrangement or putting together of parts
Commune	Living together while owning things in common
Communicate	To give to another; transmit
Company	A number of individuals associated together

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Cogn/i	Latin	Know

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING
Cognition	Process of acquiring knowledge
In cogni to	Disguised so no one knows you
Re cogni ze	To identify as something or someone previously
	seen, known, etc.
Cognitive	Of or pertaining to cognition
Pre cogni tion	Knowledge of a future event or situation

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Contra/o	Latin	Against, opposite

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING
Contradict	To argue against
Contra ception	Prevention of pregnancy
Controversy	Disagreement
Contrary	Opposite in nature or character

Contraband	Anything prohibited by law from being imported
	or exported

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Corp/o	Latin	Body

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING	
Corporation	A company recognized by law as a single body	
Corporal	Pertaining to the body	
Corpulent	Large or bulky of body	
Corporate	Pertaining to a united group	
Corpse	A dead body	

13.

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Cosm/o	Greek	Universe

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING	
Cosmonaut	Russian or Soviet astronaut	
Cosmos	The universe as a structured system	
Microcosm	A world in miniature that has all the features of a	
	larger world	
Cosmic	Of or pertaining to the cosmos	
Cosmology	The study of the structure of the universe	

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Derm/a	Greek	Skin

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING
Derma tologist	A doctor for the skin

Pachy derm	A class of animals with very thick skin	
Derma titis	Inflammation of the skin	
Dermatosis	Any disease of the skin	
Derm oplasty	Skin grafting	

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Dict	Latin	Speak

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING	
Dict ion	Style of speaking or writing	
Pre dict ion	A statement foretelling the future	
Dict ate	To speak out loud for another person to write	
	down	
Predict	To declare in advance	
Dict ionary	A book containing the words of a language	

16.

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Domin	Latin	Master

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING	
Domin ate	To be the master of somebody	
Domin eering	Using or having great dominance or control	
Pre domin ate	To have more power than others	
Domin ion	The power to govern	
In domi table	That cannot be subdued or overcome	

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Don/at	Latin	Give

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING
Donat ion	A contribution or gift
Don or	Someone who gives something
Par don	To give forgiveness for an offense
Don or	A person who gives or donates
Donate	To present something as a gift

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Duc/t	Latin	Lead

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING
Conduct	The act of leading
E duc ate	To lead to knowledge
Deduction	A subtraction of an amount
Duct	A tube, canal, or pipe by which a substance is conducted
Duct ile	Capable of being molded or shaped

19.

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Du/o	Latin	Two, twice

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING	
D uplicate	Make an identical copy	
Dual	Made up of two people, items, parts, etc.	
Du et	A musical composition for two voices or	
	instruments	
Duel	A contest between two persons or teams	
Duo logue	a dramatic performance limited to two speakers	

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Dur	Latin	Harden, lasting

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING
Durable	having the quality of lasting
Duration	the length of time something lasts
Enduring	Lasting, permanent
Per dur e	To continue or last permanently
Dure	Hard, severe

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Equ/i	Latin	Equal, equally

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING	
Equi distant	An equal distance from two points	
Equ animity	Calm temperament, evenness of temper	
Equation	A statement of equality	
Equity	The quality of being fair or impartial	
Equi valent	Corresponding in position, function, etc.	

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Erg/o	Greek	Work

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING
Ergo nomics	Study of people in their working environment
En erg y	The power to accomplish work
En erg etics	Science that looks at energy and its transformation
Ergo graph	An instrument that records the amount of work done when a muscle contracts

Ergo meter	A device designed to measure muscle power
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ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Esth/Aesth	Latin	Feeling, beauty

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING	
Esth etician	Someone who beautifies	
A esth etic	Pertaining to a sense of beauty	
Kin esth esia	The sensation of bodily movement	
An esth esia	Loss of sensation in the whole body or in certain	
	areas	
Aesth ete	A person who has great sensitivity toward the	
	beauties of art	

24.

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Ethno	Greek	Race, people

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING	
Ethn ic	Pertaining to a defined group of people	
Ethno centric	Focusing on the ethnicity of people	
Ethnology	The science of people and races	
Ethna rch	The ruler of a people, tribe, or nation	
Ethno botany	The plant lore and agricultural customs of a	
	people	

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Eu	Greek	Good, well

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING

Euphemism	Replacing an offensive word with an inoffensive	
	one	
Eu phonious	Having a pleasant sound	
Eu phoria	Feeling of well-being	
Eulogy	High praise or commendation	
Eurhythmic	Characterized by a pleasing rhythm	

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Fac/t	Latin	Make, do

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING	
Arti fact	An object made by a person	
Factor	One of the elements contributing to a particular	
	result	
Fact ual	Based on facts	
Manu fact ure	To make or produce by hand or machinery	
Bene fact or	A person who does a good deed	

27.

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Fug	Latin	Flee, escape

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING	
Fug itive	A person who is running away	
Re fug e	A sheltered place to flee to	
Re fug ee	A person seeking protection	
Subter fug e	A dishonest or illegal action to avoid following a	
	rule, to hide something, etc.	
Fugacious	Fleeting; transitory	

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ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Gastro	Greek	Stomach

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING
Gastric	Pertaining to the stomach
Gastronomy	Serving the stomach by providing good food
Gastritis	Inflammation of the stomach
Gastro vascular	Serving for digestion and circulation, as a cavity
Gastro pathy	Any disease of the stomach

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Gen	Greek	Birth, production

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING
Genealogy	The study of the history of a family
Generation	All the people born at approximately the same
	time
Genetic	Relating to heredity encoded in the genes
Gen otype	The sum total of genes transmitted from parent
	to offspring
Gene rate	To bring into existence

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Geo	Greek	Earth, global, soil

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING
Geography	Study of the earth's surface
Geology	Study of the structure of the earth
Geode	A hollow stone often lined with crystals
Geo cide	The destruction of the earth, or some part of it,

	due to human activity
Geocultural	Relating to geography and culture

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Ger	Greek	Old age

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING
Geriatrics	Medicine pertaining to the elderly
Gerontocracy	The rule of the elders
Gerontology	The science of aging
Gerontophobia	Abnormal and persistent fear of aging or growing old
Gerontolatry	Worship of old people

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ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Hepa	Latin	Liver

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING
Hepatitis	Inflammation of the liver
Hepa toma	A tumor of the liver
Hepatic	Relating to the liver
Hepatogenesis	The structural and functional development of the liver
Hepatofugal	Towards the interior of the liver

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Herbi	Latin	Grass, plant

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING

Herb icide	Any chemical used to kill unwanted plants	
Herb ivorous	Plant-eating being	
Herb al	Relating to plants	
Herb arium	A collection of dried plants systematically	
	arranged	
Herb alism	The study or use of the medicinal properties of	
	plants	

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Hetero	Greek	Different, other

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING	
Hetero geneous	Made up of unrelated parts	
Hetero nyms	Words with same spelling but different	
	meanings	
Heterodox	Not conforming to traditional beliefs	
Hetero sexual	Sexually attracted to members of the opposite	
	sex	
Hetero pathy	Unusual or abnormal sensitivity to stimuli	

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Infra	Latin	Beneath, below

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING	
Infra structure	Underlying framework of a system	
Infra red	Below the regular light spectrum	
Infra sonic	With frequencies below those of audible sound	
Infra human	Below the level of the human	
Infra ocular	Situated below the eyes	

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Inter	Latin	Between, among

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING
Inter national	Involving two or more countries
Inter section	Place where roads come together
Inter cept	To stop or interrupt the course of something
Inter active	Acting with each other
Intercontinental	Taking place between two or more continents

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Intra	Latin	Within, inside

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING	
Intra state	Existing in one state	
Intra venous	Inside or into a vein	
Intro vert	Shy person who keeps within him/herself	
Instro spection	Studying one's own mental and emotional state	
Intra ocular	located or occurring within the eye	

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Iso	Latin	Equal

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING	
Iso bar	A line on a map connecting points of equal	
	barometric pressure	
Iso metric	Having equality of measure	
Iso thermic	Having equal or constant temperature	
Iso dynamic	Having equal strength or force	

Iso elastic	Exhibiting a constant elasticity
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ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Jud	Latin	Law

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING	
Jud gment	Opinion, assessment	
Jud icial	Having to do with judges or courts of law	
Jud iciary	A system of courts of law	
Jud icious	having, exercising, or characterized by sound judgment	
Indicatory	v - 3	
Jud icatory	Of or pertaining to judgment or the administration of justice	

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ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Junct	Latin	Join

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING	
Con junct ion	A word that joins parts of sentences	
Dis junct ion	A disconnection	
Junct ure	Act of joining	
Junct ion	A place or point where two or more things meet	
Dis junct ive	Serving or tending to disjoin	

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Kine	Greek	Motion, division

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING
Kinetics	Study of the force of motion

Tele kine sis	The ability to move objects with your mind	
Cinematography	Motion picture making	
Cinematics	The art of making motion pictures	
Kinesthesia	The sensation of movement or strain in muscles	

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Logo	Greek	Word, doctrine, discourse

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING	
ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING	
Logic	System of reasoning	
Mono log ue	A long speech by one speaker	
Ana log y	Similarity, especially between things otherwise	
	dissimilar	
Logo rrhea	An excessive and often uncontrollable flow of	
	words	
Logo phobia	the fear of words or of talking	

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ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Loqu, locu	Latin	Speak

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING	
Eloquent	Skilled in forceful, and appropriate speech	
Loqu acious	Very talkative	
Elocution	Speech, way of speaking	
Locution	A style of speech or verbal expression	
Loquacity	An instance of talkativeness or garrulity	

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Lud	Latin	To play

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING
Pre lud e	Introduction to the major performance
Il lu sion	Misleading optical image or impression
Ludic	Playful, spontaneous
Al lud e	To make an allusion
De lud e	To mislead the mind or judgment of

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Lumin	Latin	Light

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING
Il lumin ate	To fill with light
Lumen	Unit measuring light
Luminary	Somebody great or renowned
Luminesce	Light not caused by something burning, occurring at a temperature below that of burning
Lumin ance	The quality or condition of radiating or reflecting light

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Lun	Latin	Moon

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING
Lunar	Relating to the moon
Lunatic	Insane person
Lunette	Vehicle tow ring
Lunarian	A being supposedly inhabiting the moon
Lunation	The period of time from one new moon to the
	next

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Mal	Latin	Bad, ill, wrong

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING
Mal aria	"Bad air", infectious disease
Malicious	Showing strong ill will
Malformation	Deformity
Malevolent	Wishing evil or harm to others
Malfunction	Failure to function properly

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ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Mis/o	Greek	Badly, hatred

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING
Misogamy	Aversion to marriage
Misanthropy	Hatred of humanity
Misandry	Hatred of men
Misogyny	Hatred of women
Misology	Distrust or hatred of reason

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Mob	Latin	Move

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING
Im mob ilize	To stop from moving
Mob ile	Able to move freely
Mob ility	The quality of being able to move
Mob ilize	To assemble and get ready for action or war
Auto mob ile	Vehicle usually having four wheels and a

gasoline or diesel engine

50.

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Neur/o	Greek	Nerve

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING	
Neuralgia	Pain along a nerve	
Neurologist	Doctor specializing in the nerves	
Neuron	A cell capable of sending messages that represent feelings, commands to muscles, etc.	
Neuro sis	Disorder of the mind causing extreme anxiety, fear, obsessions, etc.	
Neuropathy	Any diseased condition of the nervous system	

51.

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Nom/in	Latin	Name

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING	
Nominal	Being something in name only but not in reality	
Nominate	To name for election or appointment, to	
	designate	
Nomen clature	System of terms for things in a particular science	
	or art	
Nominalize	To convert another part of speech into a noun	
Onom astic	Of or pertaining to proper names	

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Not	Latin	Mark

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING
Not able	Marked as worthy of attention
Not arial	Relating to a notary
An not ate	To add remarks
Not ice	A written or printed statement with information
De not e	To indicate clearly

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Noun	Latin	Declare

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING	
An noun ce	To declare in public	
De noun ce	To proclaim harsh criticism	
E nun ciate	To speak or declare something clearly	
Unan noun ced	Without notice given beforehand	
Pro noun ce	To make or utter sounds, words, sentences, etc.	

54.

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Nov	Latin	New

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING	
In nov ate	To introduce a new way	
Novice	A person who is new at a job	
Re nov ate	To make something like new again	
Novel	Of a new kind	
Novelty	The state or quality of being novel	

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Numer	Latin	Number

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING	
E numer ate	To name a number of items on a list	
Numerology	Fortune-telling using numbers	
Numerous	Many; existing in great quantity	
Out number	To exceed in number	
Numeral	A word, letter, symbol, or figure representing a	
	number	

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Ocul	Latin	Eye

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING
Bin ocul ars	Lens device for seeing distances
Mon ocl e	Single eyeglass
Oculist	An eye doctor
Ocular	Of, relating to, or for the eyes
Oculate	Possessing eyes

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Od	Greek	Path, way

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING
Di od e	Electronic device for one-way current
Od ometer	An instrument attached to a vehicle to measure the distance traversed
Tri od e	A vacuum tube containing anode, cathode, and control grid
Od ograph	A recording odometer
An od e	Terminal by which current enters a cell

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Odor	Latin	Smell, scent

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING
De odor ant	A substance that helps prevent body odor
Odorless	Having no smell
Odor iferous	Something that bears or diffuses a scent
Mal odor ous	Having a very unpleasant odor
Odor iphore	The group of atoms in an odorous molecule responsible for its odor

59.

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Para	Griego	Protection from, opposite of

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING
Para chute	Fabric safety apparatus, to protect from falling
Parasol	An umbrella used to protect from the sun
Paradox	A seemingly contradictory statement that expresses a possible truth
Paranoia	Too much distrust of others, without reason or cause
Para glider	A lightweight, free-flying, foot-launched glider aircraft

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Pater	Latin	Father

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING

Pater nal	Relating to fathers
Fatherhood	Paternity, being a father
Fatherland	Native country, homeland
Patronymy	The practice of naming children after their fathers
Patr iarch	The male head of a tribal line or family

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Path	Greek	Feeling, emotion

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING	
Anti path y	A feeling of great dislike	
Apathy	A lack of feeling or interest	
Empathy	Ability to understand another's feelings	
Sociopath	A person whose behavior is antisocial	
Path etic	Causing or evoking pity	

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ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Ped/i/e	Latin	Foot, feet

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING	
Ped al	A lever pushed by the foot	
Ped ometer	Device that measures distance on foot	
Ped icure	Cosmetic treatment of feet and toes	
Ped estrian	One who travels on foot	
Ped omancy	Divination by examining the soles of the feet	

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Pro	Greek	Before, in front of,

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING
Prognosis	A prediction of what will happen
Pro logue	A passage before the main part
Pro phet	A person who foretells the future
Promise	A statement or declaration that something will or will not be done
Pro tuberance	A part or thing that sticks or bulges out

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Pseud/o	Greek	Wrong, false

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING
Pseudo nim	A fictitious name
Pseudo science	Theories presumed without proof of a scientific
	nature
Pseudo pregnancy	A false pregnancy
Pseudo aerial	Aerial but with some connection to the ground
Pseudo democracy	A government that holds elections but restricts civil liberties

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Psych/o	Greek	Mind, mental

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING
Psychosis	Serious mental illness
Psych ic	Relating to the human mind or supernatural mental abilities
Psycho logy	The study of the mind

Psycho active	Any drug that affects the mind
Psycho social	Having both psychological and social aspects

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Pugn/a	Latin	Fight

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING
Pugn acious	Belligerent, given to fighting
Re pugn ant	Distasteful, offensive or revolting
Pugilism	The practice of fighting with the fists
Im pugn	To cast doubt upon
Pug ilist	A person who fights with the fists

67.

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Pur/g	Latin	Clean

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING
Purg e	Removal of anything undesirable
Purg atory	According to Roman Catholics a place where
	souls must clean themselves of sin
Ex purg ate	Remove objectionable passages from a publication
Pur e	Free from any extra matter or material
Purgative	A medicine that purges

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Put	Latin	Think

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING

Computer	An electronic thinking device;	
Dis put e	To disagree with what another person thinks	
Com put e	To determine by calculation	
Reputation	The opinion that others have about a person or	
	thing	
Put ative	Commonly thought of as such	

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Radic	Latin	Root

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING
E radic ate	Pull out at the roots
Radical	Fundamental, looking at things from a drastic
	point of view
Radish	An edible root of the mustard family
Radicle	A rudimentary root
Radiculopathy	Any disease of the spinal nerve roots and spinal
	nerves

70.

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Retro	Latin	Backward, back

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING	
Retro active	Relating to something in the past	
Retrogress	To go back to an earlier condition	
Retro spect	The remembering of past events	
Retrograde	Moving backward, as to an earlier condition	
Retroversion	A looking or turning back	

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Rhino	Greek	Nose

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING
Rhinoceros	A species of animals with a big horn on the
	snout
Rhinoplasty	Surgery of the nose
Rhinitis	inflammation of the nose or its mucous
	membrane
Rhinorrhea	An excessive discharge of mucus from the nose
Rhinology	The science dealing with the nose and its
	diseases

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Rupt	Latin	Break, burst

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING
Bankrupt	Unable to pay because you're "broke"
Inter rupt	To break into a conversation or event
Rupture	A break in something
Erupt	To burst forth
Abrupt	Sudden or unexpected

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
San	Latin	Health

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING
Sanatorium	A hospital for the treatment of long-lasting conditions
Sanitary	Relating to cleanliness and health

Sanitation	Maintenance of public health and cleanliness	
In san e	Mentally unsound; mad	
Sanitize	To make sanitary, as by cleaning or sterilizing	

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Sol	Latin	Sun

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING
Solar	Involving the sun
Para sol	Umbrella protecting from the sun
Solstice	When the sun is at its greatest distance from the
	equator
Sol arize	To adapt (a building) to the use of solar energy
In sol ation	Exposure to the sun's rays

75.

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Somn	Latin	Sleep

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING
In somn ia	Inability to fall asleep
Somniferous	Bringing or inducing sleep, as drugs or
	influences
Somnolent	Feeling sleepy
Somn ambulism	Sleepwalking
Somnology	The clinical study and treatment of sleep
	disorders

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Son	Latin	Sound

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING
Consonant	A speech sound
Sonorous	Producing loud, full, rich sounds
Uni son	As one voice
Sonic	Of or relating to sound
Sonogram	The visual image produced by reflected sound
	waves

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Soph	Greek	Wise

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING	
Philo soph er	A wise person	
Soph isticated	Wise about the ways of the world	
Soph ism	A clever but misleading argument	
Soph omore	A student in the second year at a high school, college, or university	
Soph istry	A clever, apparently sensible, but false method	
	of reasoning	

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Spec/t	Latin	See, look

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING	
Circumspect	Cautious, looking all around	
Retro spect ive	A looking back at past things	
Spect ator	A person who sees an event	
Spect roscope	A device to observe a spectrum of light or	
	radiation	
Spect er	A visible but bodiless spirit	

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Sphere	Greek	Ball

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING	
Biosphere	The part of the earth's crust, waters, and	
	atmosphere that supports life	
Hemi sphere	Half the earth	
Spher ical	Shaped like a ball	
Atmosphere	The gases surrounding the earth	
Spherometer	A device used to measure the curvature of a	
	surface	

80.

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Spir	Latin	Breathe

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING	
In spir e	To stimulate or animate	
Tran spir e	To give of vapor with waste product through the	
	skin or a membrane	
Spir it	Invisible life force	
Expire	To emit the last breath	
Per spir ation	A salty, watery fluid released by the sweat	
	glands of the skin	

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Sta	Latin	Stand

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING
Sta ble	Standing steady and firm

Stagnant	Standing still, not moving
Sta tionary	At a standstill, fixed
Sta bility	Firmness in position
Sta bilize	To make or hold stable

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Stell	Latin	Star

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING
Constellation	A group of stars that forms a pattern
Inter stell ar	Between the stars
Stell ar	Relating to stars
Stell ate	Like a conventionalized figure of a star
Stellular	Spotted with stars

83.

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Struct	Latin	Build

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING
Construct	To build
Destruction	The act of destroying something that was built
Infra struct ure	Underlying framework of a system
Obstruct	To block or close up, as by being in the way
Structure	The way or manner in which something is
	constructed

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Sub	Latin	Under, lower than, inferior

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING
Submarine	An underwater boat
Submerge	To put underwater
Subsist	Survive on minimal money
Subsequent	Occurring after
Sub aquatic	Located or living under water

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Sum	Latin	Highest

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING
Sum	The combined total of everything
Summit	The highest point or top
Summary	Brief abstract
Sumptuous	Lavish; splendid
Summate	To add together

86.

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Tort	Latin	Twist

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING
Contortion	A twisted shape or position
Distort	To alter the shape or condition
Contortionist	Circus gymnast
Retort	To reply in a sharp way
Tort icollis	An abnormal position of the head

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH

Tox	Latin	Poison
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ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING
Tox ic	Poisonous
Tox icology	The study of poisons
In tox icated	Influenced by drugs
De tox ification	The process of withdrawing from alcohol or an addicting drug
Toxin	Any poison produced by a living thing

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Tract	Latin	Pull, drag

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING	
Attract	To pull objects nearer	
Distract	To draw attention away from something	
Tract or	A motor vehicle that pulls things	
De tract	To take away a part	
Extract	To pull or draw out	

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Trans	Latin	Across, beyond, through

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING	
Trans continental	Across the continent	
Trans fer	To move from one place to another	
Transport	To carry something across a space	
Trans ition	change from one position, state, stage, etc., to another	
Translation	The conversion of one language into another	

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Tri	Greek	Three, once in every
		three

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING
Tri angle	A figure with 3 sides and 3 angles
Triathlon	An athletic contest with 3 events
Tricycle	A 3-wheel vehicle with pedals
Tri axial	Having three axes
Tricolor	Having three colors

91.

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Ultra	Latin	Beyond, extreme, more

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING	
Ultra modern	More modern than anything else	
Ultra sonic	Sound waves beyond human hearing	
Ultra sound	The application of ultrasonic waves to methods	
	of diagnosis	
Ultra bright	Very bright	
Ultra left	Extremely left-wing	

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Un	Latin	Not, opposite of, lacking

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING
Un grateful	Not thankful
Un fair	Opposite of fair
Un bowed	Not dominated or ruled

Un bent	Not having yielded or submitted
Un broken	Not broken; whole

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Uni	Latin	One, single

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING	
Uni cycle	A vehicle with one wheel	
Uni lateral	Decided by only one person or nation	
Uni que	The only one of its kind	
Unicorn	Imaginary creature resembling a horse, with a single horn	
Uni te	to be joined so as to form a single whole or unit	

94.

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Urb	Latin	City

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING	
Sub urb	Residential area on the edge of a city	
Urb an	Relating to a city	
Urb anize	Build up, develop: an area	
De urb anize	To divest (a city or locality) of urban	
	characteristics	
Urb anity	The quality of being urbane	

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Vac	Latin	Empty

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING

E vac uate	To empty a dangerous place
Vac ant	Empty, not occupied
Vac ation	A time without work
Vacuum	A space entirely empty of matter
Vacuous	Lacking contents; empty

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Ven/t	Latin	Come

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING	
Event	Something that happens	
Convention	A gathering or assembly of people with a	
	common interest	
Inter ven e	To come between people, groups, etc. Who are	
	disagreeing	
Revenue	Money regularly coming in	
Ven ue	The scene or locale of any action or event	

97.

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Ver	Latin	Truth

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING
Veracious	Truthful, honest
Ver acity	Correctness, accuracy
Verify	To make sure that something is true
Ver isimilitude	The appearance of truth
Verily	In truth; really

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH

Verb L	atin	Word
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ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING
Verb alize	To put into words
Ad verb	A word relating to a verb
Proverb	A short saying that expresses a well-known truth
Verbal	Of or relating to words
Verbatim	In exactly the same words

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Vol/i/u	Latin	Wish, will

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING	
Bene vol ent	Showing good will and kindness	
Volition	The act of making a choice or decision	
Voluntary	Resulting from your own free will	
In volu ntary	Not voluntary; independent of one's will	
Male vol ent	Wishing evil or harm to others	

ROOT	LANGUAGE	ENGLISH
Vor	Latin	Eat

ENGLISH WORDS	ENGLISH MEANING	
Carni vor ous	Meat-eating	
Voracious	Desiring or eating food in great quantities	
Devour	To eat quickly	
Herbi vor e	An animal that eats plants	
Omni vor ous	Feeding on both animals and plants	

THE END