

This is a list of the word parts and vocabulary taught in *Word Roots Level 2*.

Prefixes		Roots					Suffixes			
a-	mis-	acer	domit	ject	pede	sperse	-able	-escent	i-mony	n-ative
ab-	non-	acr	dorm	join	pedo	strict	-al	-esis	-ing	-olog
ad-	per-	acu	dyn	joint	pel	tact	-ance	est-ic	-ion	-ology
as-	peri-	al	dynam	jug	press	tang	-ancy	-ety	i-ous	on-eous
bi-	pre-	alter	dynamo	junct	puls	techn	-ant	-ful	-is	-or
circum-	pro-	arbitr	err	jur	pyro	tect	-ary	-fy	-ism	-ory
com-	re-	auct	ethn	jure	rid	teg	-ast	ibil-ity	-ist	-ous
con-	se-	aug	ethno	juris	ris	tégé	-ate	-ible	ist-ic	t-ic
de-	super-	aux	flect	just	sed	thermo	-ation	-ic	it-ary	-tion
di-	tra-	auxano	flex	lect	sede	tru	-ative	-ice	-ite	u-ity
dia-	tri-	capit	funct	leg	sens	turb	at-or	ic-ile	-itis	ul-ate
dis-	un-	capita	gastr	lig	sense	veloc	at-ory	-ics	it-ive	ul-ation
dys-		centr	gastro	lingu	sent	veloci	b-ate	-id	it-ory	ul-ence
e-		cern	gen	mania	sess	verd	bil-ity	i-en	-itude	ul-ent
ec-		cert	gend	meter	sid	virid	dl-er	ifi-able	-ity	-ulent
en-		corp	gener	metr	side	viridi	ea-logy	ific-ate	-ive	u-ment
ex-		corpor	gnos	migr	soci		-ed	ific-ation	iz-ation	u-ous
il-		crypt	grac	noc	solu		-ee	i-fy	l-ant	-ure
in-		dict	grace	nom	solute		-eer	-ile	-less	-y
iso-		dign	graph	nomin	solv		-ence	ili-ary	-logy	
		dom	grat	nox	solve		-ency	i-ment	-ly	
		domin	grate	ped	spers		-ent	imoni-	-ment	
							-er	ous	n-ate	

Vocabulary

aberrant	certifiable	diagnosis	eccentric	graphic	jury	protect	sedimentary
acerbate	certificate	diagnostic	eccentricity	graphics	justice	protection	sedimentation
acid	certification	dictate	eject	graphite	justify	protégé	selection
acrimonious	certify	diction	ejection	graphology	lecture	pulsate	selective
acrimony	certitude	dignify	election	grateful	legible	pulsator	sensation
acuity	circumflex	dignitary	elective	gratification	lingual	pyrogenic	sensibility
adjure	compress	dignity	eligible	gratify	linguist	pyrography	sensible
agnostic	concentration	discern	encrypt	gratis	linguistics	pyromania	sensitive
agnosticism	concentric	discernible	encryption	gratitude	metric	pyrometer	sentiment
alien	condign	discerning	engender	gratuity	migrate	pyrometric	session
alienate	congratulate	discernment	enjoin	illegible	migration	pyrotechnics	sociable
alienation	conjecture	disperse	errant	immigrant	migratory	recapitulate	social
alteration	conjoin	dispersion	erroneous	immigration	misnomer	recapitulation	socialism
alternate	conjoint	dispersive	error	impede	nominal	recertification	society
alternative	conjugal	dissociate	ethnic	impressive	nomination	re-election	sociology
altruism	conjunction	dissociation	ethnicity	inalienable	nominative	reflect	solubility
altruistic	conjunctive	dissolute	ethnocentric	indignant	nominee	reflection	solution
arbitrary	constrict	dissolution	ethnologist	indignation	nomism	reflex	solvent
arbitration	constriction	dissolve	expedite	indignity	nomology	regenerate	supersede
arbitrator	constrictor	disturb	expel	indomitable	nonfunctional	reject	tactful
asperse	contact	disturbance	expulsion	ineligible	noxious	rejection	tangency
aspersion	corporal	domestic	flexible	inflect	pedal	rejoin	tangent
associate	corporation	domesticate	function	inflection	peddler	repel	tangible
association	corpulence	domicile	functional	inflexible	pedometer	repellant	thermometer
auction	cryptic	dominant	functionalism	injection	per capita	repulsive	trajectory
auctioneer	decapitate	dominate	functionary	innocence	perfunctory	resolute	trilingual
augment	decapitation	domination	functionless	innocent	perimeter	resolution	turbulence
augmentation	deflect	dominion	gastric	innocently	perjury	resolvable	turbulent
augmentative	deflection	dormancy	gastritis	innocuous	perturb	resolve	undetectable
augmented	defunct	dormant	gastronomy	innocuously	predominance	restrict	unsociable
augmenting	degenerative	dormitory	gender	intact	predominant	restriction	velocimeter
auxanometer	depress	dynamic	genealogy	intangible	preside	restrictive	velocipede
auxesis	derision	dynamics	generate	integument	prognosis	ridiculous	velocity
auxiliary	derisory	dynamism	generation	isodynamic	prognosticate	risibility	verdant
bilingual	detect	dynamite	generic	junction	project	sedate	viridescent
capital	detectable	dynamometry	generous	junction	projectile	sedation	viridite
capitulate	detection	dynasty	genesis	jurisdiction	projection	sedative	viridity
central	detective	dysfunction	graceful	jurist	propel	sedentary	
centralization	detector	dysfunctional	gracious	juror	propellant	sediment	

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Lesson 2

PREFIX		ROOT		SUFFIX	
in-	in, into; not	al/	other	-able	able to be
		alter		-ate/n-ate	to make, to act; one who, that which
		tru	faithful	-ation	an action or process
				n-ative	of, or relating to
				i-en	having the quality of
				ist-ic	like, related to
				-ism	act, state, condition

A. Spelling and Defining Words

Write each word from the choice box next to its definition.

altruism	inalienable	altruistic	alternative
alternate	alteration	alienate	alienation
alien	alter		

1. _____ that may not be taken away or transferred
2. _____ action of changing or modifying
3. _____ selfless concern for the welfare of others
4. _____ to do in turns
5. _____ a choice between two things or among many
6. _____ foreign
7. _____ action of withdrawing or separating from a former attachment
8. _____ to separate or make hostile
9. _____ unselfish, generous
10. _____ to change, to modify

B. Completing the Sentence

Write the best word from the gray box to complete each sentence.

1. The seamstress did not charge for the _____ to the dress.
 alternative alteration altruism
2. Stripes _____ between red and white on the flag.
 alternate alienate alter
3. The U.S. Constitution is based on _____ human rights.
 alternative altruistic inalienable
4. Megan had the _____ of traveling by train or by plane.
 alteration alternative altruism
5. Steve's conflict was between selfishness and _____.
 altruism alienation alteration
6. The new operating system was _____ to users of the old machines.
 altruistic inalienable alien
7. If it rains we'll have to _____ our plans for the cookout.
 alter alternate alienate
8. Tim's belligerent behavior tends to _____ him from his friends.
 alter alternate alienate
9. After years of _____, the cousins reconciled.
 altruism alienation alteration
10. Their _____ deeds benefited many people.
 altruistic alternative inalienable

C. Defining the Word Parts

Write the definition from the choice box next to its correct word part.

- an action or process
- having the quality of
- in, into; not
- other
- able to be
- act, state, condition
- faithful
- to make, to act; one who, that which
- one who, that which
- of, or relating to
- like, related to

1. -ism _____

2. -ate/n-ate _____

3. al/alter _____

4. -able _____

5. in- _____

6. tru _____

7. -ation _____

8. n-ative _____

9. i-en _____

10. ist-ic _____

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D. Writing Sentences

Use each word from the choice box to write a sentence in context so that its meaning is clear to the reader.

altruism	alien	alteration	altruistic	alternative
alternate	inalienable	alter	alienate	alienation

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

5. _____

6. _____

7. _____

8. _____

9. _____

10. _____

E. (optional) Creative Writing

Use some or all of the words from the choice box above to write one or more paragraphs or a short story on a separate piece of paper.