

Root	Meaning	Examples				
act	do	act	action	react	actor	activate
agri	field	agriculture	agronomist	agrarian	agronomy	
alt	high	altitude	altimeter	alto	altocumulus	
alter	other	alternative	altercation			
ambul	walk, go	ambulance	amble	circumambulate	preamble	somnambulant
amo/ami	love	amiable	amity	amatory	amateur	
ang	bend	angle	triangle	quadrangle	angular	
anim	life, spirit	animate	animosity	animal	inanimate	
annu/enni	year	annual	annually	biennial	centennial	
apt, ept	suitable	aptitude	ineptitude	adept	inept	apt
aqua	water	aqueduct	aquatic	aqueous	aquamarine	
aqua	water	aquarium	aquatic	aqueous	aquamarine	
art	skill	artisan	artist	artificial	artifact	
aud	hear	audible	auditory	audience	audition	
belli	war	bellicose	antebellum	belligerent	rebellion	
brev	short	abbreviation	brevity	breve		
cad, cas	fall	cadence	cadaver	cascade	decadence	
cal	hot	calorie	caldron	scald		
cam	field	campus	camp	campaign	encamp	
cand	glow, white	candle	candidate	candelabra	incandescent	
cap	head	cap/caption	captain	capital	decapitate	
cede/ceed	go	precede	recede	succeed	antecede	
ceive, cept	take, receive	receive	reception	accept	conception	
center, centr	center	central	centrifugal	eccentric	egocentric	
cert	sure	certain	certify	ascertain	certificate	
cide, cise	cut, kill	suicide	scissor	incisor	insecticide	
cip	take, receive	recipient	incipient	participate	recipe	
claim, clam	shout	proclaim	clamor	exclaim	acclaim	Proclamation
clar	clear	clarity	declare	clarify	declaration	
cline	lean	incline	recline	decline	inclination	
clud	shut	include	conclude	exclude	preclude	seclude
cogn	know	recognize	cognition	cognizant	incognito	
commun	common	community	communal	communism	excommunicate	
cord	heart	cordial	accord	concord	discord	
corp	body	corporation	corpus	corpse	corps	corpuscle
credit	believe	credit	discredit	incredible	credulous	
cum	heap	cumulative	accumulate	cumulus		
cur	run	current	occurrence	excursion	concur	recur
cur	care	manicure	pedicure	cure	curable	curative
dent	tooth	dental	dentist	dentifrice	trident	
dict	speak	dictate	predict	contradict	dictionary	
div	divide	divide	dividend	division	divorce	divisible
doc	teach	doctrine	document	docile	doctor	indoctrinate
domin	master	dominate	predominate	dominion	A.D. (Anno Domini)	
don, donat	give	donation	donor	pardon	donate	
duc(t)	lead	educate	duct	conduct	aqueduct	
fac	make/do	factory	manufacture	benefactor	facsimile	
fer	bring	transfer	confer	refer	defer	

fic	make,do	efficient	proficient	sufficient		
fig	form	figure	figment	configuration	disfigure	effigy
firm	securely fixed	firmament	confirm	affirm	infirm	
flex/flect	bend	flexible	reflex	reflect	deflect	
form	shape	form	uniform	formation	transform	
fract, frag	break	fracture	fraction	fragile	fragment	
frater	brother	fraternity	fraternal	fratricide		
fric	rub	friction	fricative	dentifrice		
fug	flee	fugitive	refugee	centrifugal	refuge	
funct	perform	function	functional	malfunction	dysfunction	
grad, gross	step	gradual	graduation	degrade	progress	regress
grat	please	gratitude	grateful	congratulate	gratify	
greg	gather	gregarious	congregation	segregation	aggregation	
hab, hib	hold	habit	habitual	habitat	prohibit	exhibit
homo	man	homicide	Homo sapiens	hombre	homage	
hosp, host	host	hospitality	hospice	hospital	hostess	
imag	likeness	image	imagine	imaginative	imagery	
init	beginning	initial	initiative	initiate		
integ	whole	integrate	integral	integrity	integer	
ject	throw	inject	projectile	reject	eject	
jud/jus	law	judge	judicial	prejudice	just	
junct	join	juncture	conjunction	adjunct	injunction	
jur	law, swear	jury	jurisdiction	perjury	jurisprudence	
lab	work	labor	laboratory	elaborate	collaborate	
laps	slip	elapse	collapse	relapse	prolapse	
lat	carry	lateral	bilateral	unilateral	quadrilateral	collateral
liber	free	liberty	liberate	liberal	libertine	
loc	place	locate	location	allocate	dislocate	
luc	light	lucid	elucidate	translucent		
lud, lus	play	ludicrous	interlude	elude	illusion	illusive
lum	light	illumine	luminary	luminescent	luminous	
luna	moon	lunar	lunatic			
lust	shine	luster	illustrate	lackluster	illustrious	
man	hand	manual	manufacture	manuscript	manipulate	
mand	order	command	demand	remand	mandate	
mar	sea	maritime	marine	submarine	mariner	
mater, matri	mother	maternal	maternity	matricide	matrix	matron
max	greatest	maximum	maxim	maximize		
mem	mindful	memory	remember	memento	mention	
ment	mindful	mental	demented	mention	menticide	
merge, mers	dip, dive	submerge	submerse	emerge	immerse	
migr	move	migrate	immigrant	emigrate	migratory	
mim	same	mime	mimeograph	pantomime	mimic	
min	small	minimum	minute	minus	minor	
minist	servant, officer	minister	administer	administration		
mit/miss	send	missile	mission	transmit	dismiss	
mob	move	mobile	automobile	mobility	immobile	
mon	advise, warn	admonish	premonition	admonition	monitor	

mort	death	mortal	mortician	post mortem	mortality	
mot/mov	move	motor	motion	move	motive	
multi	many	multiply	multitude	multiple	multiplicity	
mut	change, interchange	mutation	immutable	mutual	commute	
narr	tell	narrate	narrative	narrator		
nat	born	natal	native	nationality	innate	
nav	ship	navy	naval	navigate	circumnavigate	
neg	no	negation	abnegation	negative	renege	
not	mark	notation	notable	denote	notice	
noun, nunc	declare	announce	pronounce	denounce	enunciate	
nov	new	novice	novel	novelty	innovate	
numer	number	numeral	enumerate	numerous	enumerable	
ocu	eye	oculist	binocular	monocular		
opt	best	optimal	optimist	optimize	optimize	
ord	row	order	ordinary	ordinal	extraordinary	ordinance
orig	beginning	origin	original	originate	aborigine	
pater	father	paternity	paternal	patriarch	patricide	
ped/pod	foot	pedal	pedestrian	podium	pedestal	
pel/puls	drive	repel	expel	compulsion	propulsion	
pens/pend	hang	suspend	pendulum	appendix	suspense	
plic, plex	fold	complicated	multiplication	duplicate		
plur	more	plural	plurality	plus	pluralism	
pon	place	opponent	exponent	proponent	postpone	
pop	people	population	popular	pop	populace	
port	carry	portable	porter	transport	pormantea	
pos	place	position	compose	deposit	composit	preposition
pug	fight	pugnacious	pugilist	repugnant	impugn	
pul	urge	compulsory	expulsion	compulsion	repulse	
put	think	computer	reputation	deputy	disreputable	
quer,ques	ask, seek	query	inquiry	question	inquest	request
rad	ray, spoke	radius	radiology	radio	radioactive	radium
ras	scrape	erase	abrasive	rasp	razor	
rect	straight	erect	rectangle	correct	direction	
rect	straight	erect	rectangle	rectify	direction	correct
reg	guide, rule	regal	reign	regulate	regime	regent
rid	laugh	ridiculous	deride	ridicule	derisive	
rupt	break	rupture	interrupt	erupt	abrupt	
san	health	sanitary	sanitarium	sane	insanity	
scend	climb	ascend	descend	descendent	transcend	
sci	know	science	conscience	conscious	scientific	
scribe, script	write	scribe	inscribe	describe	script	scripture
sect	cut	dissect	bisect	section	sector	
sed	settle	sedative	sediment	sedentary	sedate	
sens	feel	sense	sensation	sensible	sensory	
sent	feel	consent	sentiment	dissent	assent	
serv	save, keep	conserve	preserve	reservoir	reseravation	
sign	mark	sign	signature	signal	insignia	
sim	like	similar	simultaneous	simulate	simulate	simile
sist	stand	consist	resist	subsist	assist	
sol	alone	solo	solitary	desolate	soliloquy	

solv	loosen	dissolve	solvent	absolve	resolve	solve
son	sound	sonar	sonorous	unison	sonnet	
spec	see	inspect	spectacles	suspect	spectator	
spir	breathe	respiration	inspire	conspire	spirit	
sta	stand	stationary	statue	stabile	stagnant	
stell	star	stellar	constellation	stellate		
stimu	goad	stimulation	stimulus	stimulate	stimulant	
strict	draw tight	strict	stricture	restrict	constrict	
struct	build	construct	destructive	instruct	structure	
sum	highest	summit	summary	sum	summon	summation
surg, surr	rise	resurrect	insurgent	insurrection	resurgent	
tact, tang	touch	tactile	intact	contact	tact	tangible
tain	hold	retain	contain	container	detain	attain
temp	time	tempo	temporary	temporal	contemporary	
ten	hold	tenure	tenacious	tenant	retentive	
term	end	terminal	termination	determine	exterminate	
terr	land	territory	terrain	terrace	terrestrial	
tex	weave	texture	context	text	textile	
tort	twist	contort	torture	tort	tortoise	retort
tract	pull	tractor	subtract	attract	retract	
trib	give	tributary	tribute	contribute	attribute	
trud/trus	push	intrude	protrude	obtrusive	abstrusive	
turb	confusion	disturb	perturb	turbine	turbulent	
urb	city	urban	suburb	suburban	urbane	
vac	empty	vacant	vacate	vacation	vacuum	
vag	wander	vagrant	vague	vagabond	vagary	
var	different	vary	various	variant	variety	
ven	come	invent	convention	advent	convene	venue
ver	turn	convert	introvert	invert	reverse	versatile
ver	truth	verdict	verify	verity	veracity	aver
vict/vinc	conquer	victory	victim	convince	invincible	
vid/vis	see	video	television	visit	evidence	
vit/viv	live	survive	vital	vitamin	revive	
voc, vok	voice	vocal	advocate	evocation	convocation	invoke
void	empty	void	devoid	avoid	avoidance	
vol	wish	volunteer	volition	benevolent	malavoler	
volv	roll	revolve	revolution	involve	evolve	
vor	eat	carnivore	herbivore	omnivore	voracious	

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