

Intro to Vocabulary:

Through the first semester you will be on a mission, to discover strange and wonderful words that help build your imagination. You might find a simple word as in 'grow' to nicely explain a distant light.

Example: The distant light grew in intensity.

Better: The distant light magnified intensely.

Both give images, but does one paint a clearer picture?

Your job over the next 15 weeks will be to seek out those words that helped paint the picture. Which ones gave you a better understanding of the characters? Which ones did you read and looked querulously at the page trying to discern its meaning? Do we even know what querulous means? Or perhaps you (like many) simply skip over those curious words and move on to the next sub-plot.

You are a keen detective. Our job is to come up with the gems in these novels that help bring it to life. We are looking for the precious stones, not the rocks and flint that help bring substance to the story, but the sparkling words that illuminate and build those amazing images in our minds. Each week you will be asked to identify 10 words in the reading that you believe are gems. As a class, we will mark the ones that we would like to put in our Word bank.

We will use the Word Bank for future writing exercises to help build our own stories. Now go and detect the words that sparkle!



Vocabulary Awareness Chart				
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No-Excuse Spelling List

a lot	equipment	pamphlet
a while	exceed	pastime
accidentally	exhilarate	perseverance
accommodate	existence	personification
acknowledge	experience	personnel
advertise	expression	playwright
advertisement	fiery	poem
again	figurative	poetry
alliteration	foreign	privilege
allusion	friend	possession
amateur	fulfill	pronunciation
ambiguous	gauge	questionnaire
ambivalent	genre	receipt
apostrophe	government	recommend
apparent	grammar	reference
argument	grateful	referral
arithmetic	guarantee	relevant
assignment	hierarchy	remember
atmosphere	humorous	Renaissance
author	hypocrisy	restaurant
autumn	ignorance	résumé
because	illusion	rhyme
beginning	imitate	rhythm
believe	immediate	said
brochure	incredible	scene
business	independent	schedule
calendar	indispensable	science
camouflage	inoculate	scissors
category	intelligence	seize
cemetery	jewelry	separate
changeable	knowledge	sergeant
chorus	laboratory	simile
choose	language	sincerely
chose	leisure	soliloquy
clause	liaison	spelling
cliché	library	supposed to
collectible	license	surely
column	loose	synonym
coming	lose	tabloid
committed	maintenance	threshold
comparison	maneuver	tomorrow
congratulations	mathematics	truly
conscience	maybe	used to
conscientious	Medieval	vacuum
conscious	memento	vocabulary
consensus	metaphor	vowel
consonant	miniature	weird
coolly	mischievous	writer
definite	misspell	writing
definitely	myth	
definition	narrator	
dialogue	necessary	
different	noticeable	
disappoint	occasionally	
discipline	occurrence	
embarrass	often	
English	onomatopoeia	
enough	opposite	

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Commonly Confused Words

1. whose/who's
2. past/passed
3. affect/effect
4. it's/its
5. they're/their/there
6. accept/except
7. good/well
8. all together/altogether
9. lead/led
10. loose/lose
11. principal/principle
12. who/whom

On notebook paper, create 12 sentences using one form of the word in each sentence. Make sure you use the correct form.

😊 Make sure to right you're name at the top of the page. 😊

Root List 1

Prefix	Suffix	Definition	Examples	Origin
	-s, -es	plural, more than one		Anglo-Saxon
	-ing	action or process		Anglo-Saxon
	-ed	past tense		Anglo-Saxon
	-er	person connected with, comparative degree		Anglo-Saxon

Root List 2

Prefix	Suffix	Definition	Examples	Origin
un-		not, opposite of		Anglo-Saxon
re-		again, back		Latin
	-er, or*	person connected with, comparative degree		Anglo-Saxon
	-est	superlative degree		Anglo-Saxon
	-ful	full of		Anglo-Saxon
	-less	without		Anglo-Saxon

Root List 3

Prefix	Suffix	Root	Definition	Examples	Origin
in-			not		Latin
im-			not		Latin
dis-			not, opposite of		Latin
pre-			before		Latin
tele-			far, distant		Greek
	-ies		plural, more than one		Anglo-Saxon
	-ied		past tense		Anglo-Saxon

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	-ed*		past tense		Anglo-Saxon
	-ing*		action, process		Anglo-Saxon
	-ly		characteristic of		Anglo-Saxon
	-y		characterized by, like		Anglo-Saxon
		bio	life		Greek
		graph	write		Greek
		phone	sound		Greek
		sk(c)ope	see, look, consider, examine		Greek

Root List 4					
Prefix	Suffix	Root	Definition	Examples	Origin
non-			not		Latin
over-			too much, above		Anglo Saxon
mis-			bad or badly wrong or wrongly		Latin
de-			reduce down away from		Latin
under-			too little, below		Anglo-Saxon
bi-			two		Latin
tri-			three		Latin/Greek
quad-			four		Latin
oct-			eight		Latin/Greek
	-er, -or*		one who, that which		Latin
	-ation, ion, ition, -tion		act of, state of, result of		Anglo-Saxon

	-al, -ial		related to characterized by		Latin
	-ness		condition, state of		Anglo-Saxon
	-ment		act, process		Latin
	-en		made of, to make		Anglo-Saxon
		rupt	break, burst		Latin
		terra	land		Latin
		geo	earth, ground, soil		Greek
		photo	light		Greek
		tract	pull, draw (drag)		Latin
		meter, metron	measure		Greek

Root List 5					
Prefix	Suffix	Root	Definition	Examples	Origin
en-, em-			to cause to be, to put into or onto, to go into or onto		Latin
sub-			under, beneath, below secondary		Latin
fore-			before, earlier		Anglo-Saxon
semi-			half		Latin
anti-			opposite, against		Greek
auto-			self		Greek
multi-			many, much		Latin
poly-			many, much		Greek
deca- deci-			ten		Latin/ Greek

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Root List 6					
kilo-			1,000		Greek
milli- mille-			1,000		Latin
centi-			100		Latin
	-ation -ion -ition -tion*		act of/ state of/ result of		Anglo-Saxon
	-able -ible		can be done		Latin
	-ive -ative -tive		inclined/ tending toward an action		Latin
	-logy -ology -ologist		science of, study of, one who studies		Greek
	-ence -ance		act or condition of		Latin
	-an, -ian		one having a certain skill, relating to, belonging to		Latin
		jacio, jactum (ject)	to throw		Latin
		struct	to build		Latin
		video (vid), visum (vis)	to see		Latin
		jur juris	judge, oath, law		Latin
		log logos logue	word or study		Greek
		pathos(path)	feeling, suffering		Greek
		astron (ast, astr)	star		Greek
		mit, mitt, miss	to send		Latin
		aud (audi, aus)	hear, listen		Latin
		dico, dictum (dict)	to say, tell, speak		Latin

Root List 7					
Prefix	Suffix	Root	Definition	Examples	Origin
in-, il-, im-, ir-*			not		Latin
inter-			between		Latin
trans-			across/ change/ through		Latin
super-			above/ on top of/ be- yond		Latin
micro-			small/ minute		Greek
uni-			one/ single		Latin
	-ent -ant		an action/ condition		Latin
	-ent -ant		causing a specific ac- tion		Latin
	-ity -ty		state of/ quality of		Latin
	-ic		relating to/ character- ized by		Latin/Greek
	-ize		to make/ to cause to become		Latin/ Greek
	-age		result of an action/ collection		Latin
	-ous -eous -ious		full of/ characterized by		Latin
		port	to carry		Latin
		scribe (scrib) scriptum (script)	to write		Latin
Root List 8					
		spectro spect spec	to see, watch, observe		Latin
		vac	empty		Latin
		vocare (voc - vok)	to call or summon		Latin
		hydros (hydr)	water		Greek
		chronos (chron)	time		Greek

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		thermos (therm)	heat		Greek
		bene boun bon	good, well		Latin

Root List 9					
Prefix	Suffix	Root	Definition	Examples	Origin
com-, con-			with, together		Latin
ex-, exo-			out of, from		Greek
pro-			forward		Latin
se-			apart		Latin
retro-			back, backwards		Latin
	-fy		to make, to form into		Latin
	-hood		state, quality, condition of		Old English
	-ice		state or quality of		Latin
	-some		characterized by a thing, quality, state, or action		Old English
	-ward		in the direction of		Old English
	-ish		like, having the characteristics of, inclined or tending to		Old English
	-less		without		Old English
		ad	to, toward		Latin
		amo amatum	love		Latin
		aqua	water		Latin
		arbor arboris	tree		Latin
Root List 10					
		bonus	good		Latin
		cum	with, together		Latin
		15endron	tree		Greek
		dia	across, through		Greek

		facio factum -fy -fier	make, do		Latin
		figo, fixum	attach		Latin
		helios	sun		Latin
		ignis	fire		Latin
		inter	between		Latin
		jungo junctum	join		Latin
		kinesis cinema	movement		Greek
		luna	moon		Latin
		magnus	large, big		Latin
		philia – phile	love		Greek
		phobos	fear		Greek
		pono postum (pos, post)	put, place		Latin
		pyro	fire		Greek
		scio scitum (sci)	know		Latin
		sol	sun		Latin
Root List 11					
		sonus	sound		Latin
		stella	star		Latin
		syn, sym	with, together		Greek
		tempus temporis	time		Latin
		thesis	put, place		Greek

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		trans	across		Latin
		tropos	turning		Greek
		verbum	word		Latin
		verto ver- sum	turn		Latin
		Vulcanus	god of fire		Latin

Root List 12					
Prefix	Suffix	Root	Definition	Examples	Origin
Hom- Homo-			same		Greek
hype-			over, too much		Greek
mid-			middle		Old English
neo-			new, recent, re- vived		Greek
	-ide		chemical		German
	-ways		in what manner		Old English
		auto	self		Greek
		annus	year		Latin
		biblos	book		Greek
		bracchium	arm		Latin
		caput, capitis	head		Latin
		centum	hundred		Latin
		corpus	body		Latin
		decem	ten		Latin

		demos	the people, the citizens		Greek
		dens, dentis	tooth		Latin
		digitus	finger, toe, inch		Latin
		dormio	sleep		Latin
		duo	two		Latin
		frater, fratris	brother		Latin
		liber, libri	book		Latin
		lithos	stone		Greek

Root List 13

	manus	hand	
	mater, matris	mother	
	mille	thousand	
	nomen, nominis	name	
	novem	nine	
	octo	eight	
	pater, patris	father	
	pes, pedis	foot	
	petros	stone, rock	
	polis	city	
	populus	people	

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	prae (pre)	before, in front of	
	pro	for, before, forward, in place of	
	quattuor	four	
	quinque	five	
	septem	seven	
	sex	six	
	tres (tri)	three	
	unus	one	
	urbs, urbis	city	
	vivo, victum	live	

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