

The 30-15-10 List

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Prefix	Meaning	Example
a, ab, abs ad, a, ac, af, ag, an, ar, at, as bi, bis circum com, con de dis, dif, di epi equi ex, e hyper hypo in inter mal, male mis mono non ob omni preter pro re retro se sub super trans un, uni un (pronounced <i>uhn</i>)	away, from to, toward two around together, with opposite, from, away apart, not upon, on top of equal out, from, forth over, above under, beneath in, into, not between, among bad, ill wrong alone, single, one not in front of, against everywhere, all past, beyond forward again, back backward, behind, back apart under greater, beyond across, beyond one not	absent, abstinence adhere, annex, accede, adapt bicycle, biped, bisect circumference combination, connect detract, defer, demerit disperse, different epicenter equality, equitable eject, exhale, exit hyperactive, hypersensitive hypodermic inject, endure, incorrect intercede malpractice, malevolent mistake, misunderstand monotone, monopoly nonsense obvious omnipresent preternatural proceed, promote recall, recede retroactive secede subway supernatural, superstition transcend, transcontinental unilateral, unity unhappy, unethical
Root	Meaning	Example
bas cap, capt cred dict duc, duct fac, fact graph log mort scrib, script spec, spect tact ten therm ver	low take, seize believe speak lead make, do write word, study of die, death write see touch hold heat true	basement capture, capable credible predict, dictionary induce, conduct artifact, facsimile autograph, graphic dialog, biology mortal, mortician transcribe, subscription specimen, aspect contact, tactile tenacious, retentive thermostate, thermometer verify
Suffix	Meaning	Example
-able, -ible -er, -or -fy -ism -ist -less -logue, -log -ness -ship -tude	able to (adj.) one who does (n) to make (v) the practice of (n) one who is occupied with without, lacking (adj.) a particular kind of speaking or writing the quality of (n) the art or skill of (n) the state of (n)	usable competitor dignify rationalism, Catholicism feminist, environmentalist meaningless prologue, dialog aggressiveness sportsmanship rectitude