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# Greek and Latin Roots




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L.6.4.b

**VIDEO LENGTH**
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**L.6.4.b** Use common, grade-appropriate Greek or Latin affixes and roots as clues to the meaning of a word (e.g., audience, auditory, audible).

**Materials:** Root cards, a word wall, dictionaries.

## Students will

- Know common Greek roots: tele, graph, phone, scope, auto.
- Know common Latin roots: port, rupt, dict, spect.
- Know that -ology means the study of.
- Use roots to predict the meaning of new words.

## Key words

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|---|---|
| **root** | a word part that carries meaning |
| **tele, graph, phone** | far, write, sound |
| **port, rupt, dict, spect** | carry, break, say, look |
| **-ology** | the study of |

## Before the video 2 minutes

Write telephone, telescope and television. Ask: “What part do these share? What could it mean?”

## What happens in the video

| | |
|---|---|
| **0:00** | Welcome and today's goal: Greek and Latin roots |
| **0:19** | Roots are clues to meaning |
| **0:34** | Greek roots: tele, graph, phone |
| **0:50** | Latin roots: port, rupt, dict, spect |
| **1:08** | -ology means the study of |
| **1:23** | Spot the mistake: spect means look |
| **1:42** | Your turn! Students answer during each pause (see below) |
| **3:17** | Recap and goodbye |

## Spot the mistake at 1:23

> **Sam:** Spectator has spect in it, so it means someone who talks a lot!
> **Ivy:** Hmm... what does spect mean?
> **Mia:** Spect means look! A spectator is someone who looks, or watches.
> **Sam:** Oops! Spect means look.

- Ask: “What does spect mean?” (Look.)
- Ask: “So what does a spectator do?” (Watches.)
- Brainstorm other spect words: inspect, spectacles, respect.

## Your-turn pauses students answer out loud, then the characters give the answer

| TIME | QUESTION | ANSWER IN THE VIDEO |
|---|---|---|
| **1:43** | Port means carry. What does transport mean? Carry across, or break apart? | Carry across! |
| **1:58** | Rupt means break. Which word means to break into a conversation? Interrupt, or inspect? | Interrupt! |
| **2:12** | Tele means far, and scope means look. What is a telescope? A tool to see far, or to hear far? | A tool to see far away! |
| **2:29** | Zoo means animal. What is zoology? The study of animals, or the study of rocks? | The study of animals! |
| **2:45** | Dict means say. What is a dictionary? A book of words and what they mean, or a book of maps? | A book of words and their meanings! |
| **3:00** | Auto means self, and graph means write. What is an autograph? Your own signature, or a car? | Your own signature! Written by yourself. |

Tip: pause the video a little longer on any question your class finds hard, and ask a student to explain how they know.

## After the video: talk about it

1. How can one root help you understand many words?
2. What does predict mean, using its parts?
3. Name a word with port and explain it.

## Go further

Invent a word: students combine two roots to make a new word, define it and draw it (for example, aquascope).

## Answer key for the practice page

1. To carry across (from one place to another).
2. Interrupt
3. A tool for seeing far away.
4. The study of animals.
5. Your own signature (written by yourself).
6. For example, spect: inspect, spectator, spectacles.

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**Name:** _____ **Date:** _____

1. **Port means carry. What does transport mean?**

   Answer: _____

2. **Rupt means break. Which word means to break into a conversation: interrupt or inspect?**

   Answer: _____

3. **Tele means far and scope means look. What is a telescope?**

   Answer: _____

4. **Zoo means animal and -ology means the study of. What is zoology?**

   Answer: _____

5. **Auto means self and graph means write. What is an autograph?**

   Answer: _____

6. **Make a root web: write one root in the middle and three words that use it, with their meanings.**

   Answer: _____