
The Word Within the Word • List #5

vita	(life)	vitamin, vitality, vital, revitalize, viable, vitalism, devitalize	Latin
demo	(people)	democracy, demography, undemocratic, democratize	Greek
stereo	(solid)	stereoscope, stereophonic, stereotype, stereopticon, stereotropism	Greek
ism	(doctrine)	Marxism, capitalism, Imagism, Cubism, nihilism, pluralism, tribalism	Greek
cogn	(know)	recognize, cognizant, incognito, cognoscenti, cognomen, precognition	Latin
sur	(over)	surplus, surpass, surcharge, surface, surfeit, surmount, surname, surtax	Latin
alter	(other)	alternator, alteration, alter ego, alternative, altruism, altercation	Latin
astr	(star)	astronomy, astrology, asteroid, disaster, asterisk, astrophysics, astrolabe	Greek
dyna	(power)	dynamic, dynamo, dynamite, dynasty, dynamometer	Greek
chron	(time)	chronometer, chronological, synchronize, chronic, anachronism	Greek
hyper	(over)	hyperactive, hyperventilate, hyperbole, hyperacidity, hypertension	Greek
luna	(moon)	lunar, lunatic, lunate, luna moth, lunette, sublunar, lunular	Latin
octa	(eight)	octameter, octagenarian, octagon, octarchy, octave, octopus, octahedron	Greek
gyro	(turn)	gyration, gyroscope, gyre, gyrate, spirogyra, gyromagnetic, gyrocompass	Greek
contra	(against)	contradict, contrary, contrast, contrapuntal, contraband, contravene	Latin
geo	(earth)	geography, geothermal, geology, geophysics, geometry, geosynchronous	Greek
helio	(sun)	Helios, heliotropic, heliocentric, heliograph, perihelion, aphelion	Greek
thermo	(heat)	thermostat, thermos, thermotropic, thermonuclear, thermocouple	Greek
tetra	(four)	tetrameter, tetrahedron, tetroxide, tetragon, tetrachloride, tetracycline	Greek
meter	(measure)	thermometer, millimeter, octameter, hydrometer, odometer	Greek
scope	(look)	telescope, microscope, periscope, radarscope, horoscope, electroscope	Greek
son	(sound)	sonar, unison, sonorous, sonnet, dissonance, resonant, supersonic	Latin
dec	(ten)	decade, decaliter, decimal, decagon, decathlon, decimate, dodecahedron	Greek
stell	(star)	interstellar, stelliform, stellar, constellation, stellate, stellify	Latin
amat	(love)	amatory, amateur, amorous, amiable, amigo, amour-propre, amity	Latin