

Word Within the Word

Stems List 14

Do you know these words?

Stem	Stem Definition	Examples PICK ONE TO DEFINE!	Definition (Part of Speech MUST be included!)
pleo	more	pleomorphic, pleopod, pleophagous	
pod	foot	pseudopod, arthropod, podiatrist	
soror	sister	sorority, sorosis, sororal, sorites	
-a	plural	data, phenomena, bacteria, phyla	
val	worth	valiant, valid, equivalent, devalue, evaluate, ambivalent, covalent	
para	beside, near	parable, paradigm, paradox, paraphrase	
dom	rule	dominate, predominant, dominion, subdominant, domineering, domain	
erg	work	energy, ergonomics, synergy	
rhiz	root	rhizoid, rhizome, rhizomorphous	
sapro	rotten	saprophyte, saprolite, saprophilous	
schizo	divide	schizophrenia, schism, schizoid, schizopod	
hippo	horse	hippopotamus, hippodrome, hipparch, ehippus	
som	body	somatic, chromosome, lysosome, psychosomatic	
spor	seed	endospore, sporophyte, sporangia, macrospore	
sta	stop	hemostat, stasis, station, stationary, status quo, apostasy	
rhodo	rose	Rhododendron, Rhode Island, rhodium, rhodolite	
taxis	arrangement	syntax, chemotaxis, taxidermy, taxonomy, ataxia	
vol	will	volunteer, malevolent, benevolent, volition, involuntary	
frat	brother	fraternity, fraternal, fraternize	
trich	hair	trichina, trichinosis, trichosis, trichocysts, monotrichous	
troph	nourishment	autotroph, atrophy, dystrophy	
tox	poison	toxin, toxoid, nontoxic, antitoxin, toxicity, detoxification	

sect	cut	dissect, intersection, vivisection, bisect, section, sectarian, sector	
zygo	yoke	zygote, zygospor, sygid, sygoptera	
zym	ferment	enzyme, zymology, zymogenesis, zymoscope, zymogen	

Assignment	Due Date
HW 1 - Complete Context Clues (on worksheet)	
HW 2 - define words	
HW 3 - define words	
HW 4 – Mystery Questions done in complete sentences	

HW 1: Context Clues. Using your knowledge of stems, select the word that best fits in the blank. Write the word on the blank line AND circle your choice! **Do not use a dictionary for this section!!!**

___1. The _____ from the science experiment was invalid to due the fact that the students did not have a control group.

- a. volunteer b. data c. energy d. fraternity

___2. Officer Stewart would be extremely happy if everyone would join the _____ association. It is a good cause that helps police officers.

- a. taxonomy b.zygote c. pseudopod d. benevolent

___3. When the young man went to college he decided to join a _____. It is a brotherhood that pledges to be loyal to one another long beyond graduation.

- a. fraternity b. rhizome c. sorority d. parable

___4. Lisa and Donna were not ready to _____ the frog in biology class. Neither one of them wanted to cut it open.

- a. hemostat b. intersect c. dissect d. devalue

___5. Charlotte is well-known for having a large banking _____ uptown.

- a. sector b. somatic c. dominion d. volunteer

HW 4: Mystery Questions. Answer the following questions in complete sentences in the Academic Vocabulary section of your 5 subject notebook.

Be sure to explain your answer and define the words in the analogies.

- 1.) Is a snail an arthropod?
- 2.) Is an ergatocracy a country ruled by the working class?
- 3.) Would you get sick if you drank a nontoxic fluid?
- 4.) Will a schism in a political party benefit the party?
- 5.) Are green plants autotrophic?

6.) bisect : dissect ::

dominate : divide
multiply : commitment
intersect : vivisection
detoxify : poison

7.) ambivalent : ambiguous::

evaluate : devalue
feeling : meaning
conflict : tranquility
somatic : psychosomatic