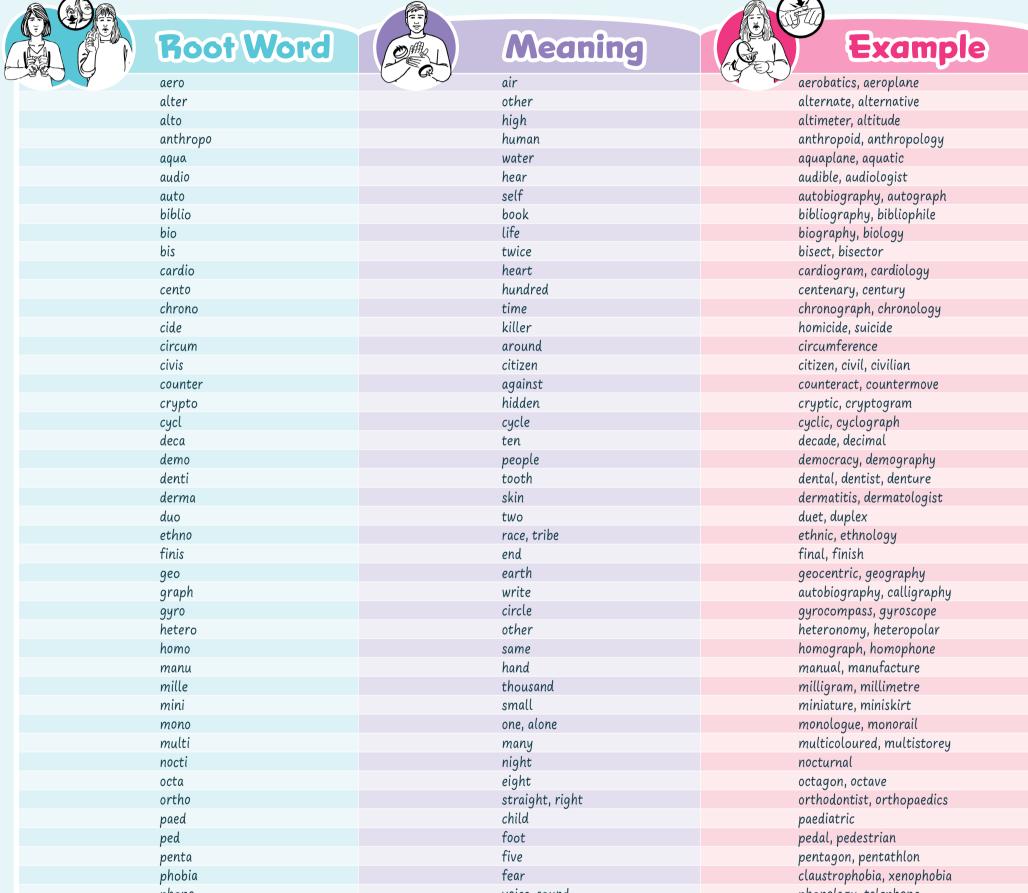






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Root words come from other languages and are used to make words in English. Below is a list of the more common root words.



phoota	1001	etuasti oprioora, xerioprioora
phono	voice, sound	phonology, telephone
photo	light	photograph, photosynthesis
physio	physical	physiotherapy
poly	many	polygon, polyhedron
porta	carry	export, porter, transport
proto	first	protohippus, prototype
pseudo	false	pseudograph, pseudonym
psyche	mind	psychiatry, psychologist
quadri	four	quadrilateral, quadruplet
quinque	five	quinquelateral, quintuplet
septum	seven	septuple, septuplet
specta	look	spectacles, spectator
tele	afar, end	telephone, television
terra	earth	terrafirma, terrain
tetra	four	tetrahedron, tetramerous
tri	three	triangle, tricycle
uni	one	union, unit
video	visible	visible, vision

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