

Week 5

mal - bad, badly, poor, poorly

malpractice - performing one's duty in a bad or wrong way

malevolent - having bad feelings toward someone or something; spite, hatred

malicious - desiring harm to someone or something else

malapropism - a word used the wrong way; usually with humorous results

malodorous - bad-smelling

malady - a bad health condition; a disease

malaria - illness believed to be spread by bad air, actually spread by mosquitoes

malediction - bad speech; a curse

malefactor - one who does wrong; a villain

malignant - bad or harmful, producing death

bene/bon - well, good

benevolent - good doing, kind

benefactor - one who gives good things

benediction - good words, a blessing

benign - gentle, good, harmless

bonus - an extra reward for goodness

bonanza - good, rich ore deposit, anything yielding abundance

bounteous - good and plentiful

bona fide - in good faith, genuine

bon vivant - a lover of good living, especially food

beneficiary - one who receives good things

Week 6

cycl, orb—roundness

cyclops - a giant with one round eye in the middle of the forehead

exorbitant - going beyond the normal circle; excessive

orbit - a circular path

encyclopedia - a summary of the entire circle of knowledge

cyclone - a circular windstorm

orb - a round body; the sun, the eye

cycle - a complete circle of events that occurs repeatedly

liber/biblios - book

library - place where books are kept

librarian - person in charge of a library

libel - statement that may change a person's reputation

Bible - book of Christian religion

bibliography - written list of books on a particular subject

bibliomania - craziness about books

bibliophile - lover of books

bibliophobia - fear or dislike of books

foli—leaf

folic acid - a vitamin contained in leafy green vegetables

folio - pages (leaves) of a manuscript

portfolio - a portable case for carrying sheets (leaves) of paper

foil - a thin sheet (leaf) of metal

foliage - all the leaves of a plant

exfoliate - to strip off leaves

Week 7

mono/uni-one

monotone - sameness of tone, style of writing, color etc.

monopoly - exclusive control of a service by one company

monolith - a single large block of stone

monocle - an eyeglass for one eye

monogamy - marriage with only one person at a time

union - act of making one out of many

unison - to do something at the same time as another; as if one

unique - being the only one of its kind

monophobia - an abnormal fear of being alone

monastery - a community of monks living together in seclusion; living as one

tri-3 qua-4 quint/pent-5 dec-10 cent-100

trilogy - a group of three plays, novels operas, etc.

quadruped - animal that has four feet

pentagon - a figure having five sides and five angles

quintuplet - one of five offspring born at the same time to the same mother

century - one hundred years

centipede - hundred footed insect

trident - a three-pronged spear

quadragenarian - a person in their 40s

Decalogue - the ten commandments

decapod - a crustacean having ten legs or arms; a lobster, crab etc.

Week 8

polis / urbs / urbis - city

urban - pertaining to the city

suburb - outlying part of a city; smaller town near a city

suburbanite - one who lives in a suburb

interurban - between cities

urbane - polite; having city manners

urbanity - civility; courtesy, politeness

urbanites - those who live in a city

metropolis - mother city or main city with smaller suburbs around it

political - concerning management of a city

police - those who keep order in the city

polite - having "city" (civilized) manners

policy - course of action adopted in the management of the city

demos/ populus - people, citizen

democracy - government by the people

demographics - written information about people, where they live, etc.

demophobe - one who fears the people

epidemic - a plague on the people; disease spread among citizens

democrat - person who believes government should be run by the people

public - general body of people in a community

republic - nation where citizens elect representatives

publish - make known to people

populace - the common people

popular - pleasing to people in general

population - whole number of people in an area

pueblo - (Spanish) people of a village or town