

List 1

God wove a web of levelness
Of clouds and stars and birds,
But made not anything at all
So beautiful as words.

—Rena Elizabeth Dworkin

Roots—The Greek roots *aster* and *astr* mean “star.”

- 1 **asterisk** a mark (*) that resembles a star *n.*
- 2 **astrology** the false belief that stars tell the future *n.*
- 3 **astronomy** the scientific study of the stars and all the heavenly bodies *n.*
- 4 **astronaut** a traveler in outer space *n.*
- 5 **disastrous** causing much suffering and loss *adj.*

Prefixes—The Latin prefixes *con-* and *com-* mean “with, together, completely.”

- 6 **commercial*** having to do with business or trade *adj.*
- 7 **companion** a friend; one who accompanies another *n.*
- 8 **compelled** forced; commanded *v.*
- 9 **compare** to point out similarities or differences *v.*
- 10 **commodity** a useful product or service *n.*
- 11 **complain** to find fault with *v.*
- 12 **complex** complicated; having a number of parts *adj.*
- 13 **contrite** feeling deeply sorry for having sinned *adj.*
- 14 **compose** to make up; to put together *v.*
- 15 **compound** having two or more parts put together *adj.*
- 16 **comprehensive** complete; including all areas *adj.*
- 17 **composition** a short writing assignment generally completed at school *n.*
- 18 **compulsive** having to do with an impulse that is hard to resist; habitual *adj.*
- 19 **conceal** to hide *v.*
- 20 **conceit** pride *n.*
- 21 **concentration** close attention *n.*
- 22 **concept** an idea *n.*
- 23 **compact** closely and firmly packed; taking little space *adj.*
- 24 **conclusion** the end or last part *n.*
- 25 **concrete** real; can be known by the senses *adj.*
- 26 **condemn** to declare guilty; to sentence *v.*
- 27 **condescend** to come down to another’s mental or social level *v.*
- 28 **confederate** one joined with another for support *n.*
- 29 **consent** permission *n.*
- 30 **convert** to change; to transform *v.*

Suffixes—The suffix *-cy* forms nouns that name “a state of.”

- 31 **buoyancy** the tendency to float *n.*
- 32 **consistency** faithfulness; firmness of character *n.*
- 33 **deficiency** shortage; inadequacy *n.*
- 34 **frequency** how often something happens *n.*
- 35 **privacy** the state of being apart from others *n.*

*Memorize definitions in bold.

Test Your Understanding

Write the missing vocabulary words on notebook paper.

1. A ? word consists of two smaller words.
2. Proverbs 13:20 says we will be wise if we walk with wise men, but "a ? of fools shall be destroyed."
3. The servant went out into the highways and hedges and ? people to come to his master's feast.
4. Have you already finished your ? for language class?
5. Scurvy, a disease caused by a ? of vitamin C, long ago plagued sailors who ate no citrus fruits.
6. Reading comprehension requires ? , focusing entirely on one's reading.
7. Peter became ? after his sin of denying Christ.
8. A store is one example of a ? enterprise.
9. One important qualification for the Penmanship Award is ? —doing neat, careful work all the time.
10. "For God sent not His Son into the world to ? the world; but that the world through Him might be saved."—John 3:17
11. Inventors often try to create a ? that everyone will buy.
12. Arithmetic became easier for the new student after he finally came to understand the ? of division.
13. Esther's humility was much more attractive than the puffed-up ? of Vashti.
14. Christ was willing to ? to become a man in order to redeem us.
15. Before I can stay at your house, I need Mom's ? .

Test Your Spelling Mastery

(1) Discover a new word with a familiar root by circling the letter in front of the misspelled word in each line. Then write the letter on the blank. (2) Rewrite each misspelled word on notebook paper.

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| 1. C condemn | A asterick | B conceal |
| 2. S disasterous | O privacy | W compare |
| 3. T condecend | R complain | Y conceit |
| 4. F comprhensive | U conclusion | R astronimy |
| 5. D complex | O consistancy | T concrete |
| 6. A consent | N boyancy | Y compound |
| 7. P compact | R composition | O camoditty |
| 8. M deficiency | A compulsive | P compose |
| 9. S confederate | K concept | I astronot |
| 10. C consentration | U contrite | B compelled |
| 11. A commercial | R convert | K companion |
| 12. A astrology | L conciet | P frequency |

Answer: _____
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Roots—The Greek root *auto* means “self.” The Greek root *bibli* means “book.”

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| 1 automobile | a self-moving vehicle <i>n.</i> |
| 2 autograph | a signature <i>n.</i> |
| 3 automatic | self-acting <i>adj.</i> |
| 4 autoimmune | the immune system's attack on the body <i>adj.</i> |
| 5 autocrat | an absolute ruler <i>n.</i> |
| 6 autonomous | independent, self-governing <i>adj.</i> |
| 7 bibliography | a list of books and articles on a particular subject <i>n.</i> |
| 8 Biblical | according to God's Word <i>adj.</i> |

Prefixes—The Latin prefix *in-* means “in” or “into.” It is spelled *im-* before *b*, *m*, *p*, and *br* before *r*.

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| 9 incision | a cut <i>n.</i> |
| 10 inject | to force in (usually by a needle) <i>v.</i> |
| 11 inoculate | to inject a vaccine into a living organism to prevent disease <i>v.</i> |
| 12 incinerate | to burn to ashes <i>v.</i> |
| 13 inherit | to receive something from an ancestor at his death <i>v.</i> |
| 14 inhabit | to dwell in or live in a place <i>v.</i> |
| 15 implore | to beseech; beg <i>v.</i> |
| 16 import | to bring in from another country <i>v.</i> |
| 17 impact | a collision; the effect of something <i>n.</i> |
| 18 implant | to instill, to graft into the body <i>v.</i> |
| 19 immersion | a plunging into a liquid <i>n.</i> |
| 20 implement | a tool; a utensil <i>n.</i> |
| 21 immigrant | a person who comes into a new country to live <i>n.</i> |
| 22 imminent | about to happen; close at hand <i>adj.</i> |
| 23 irrigation | the supplying of land with water by using ditches or sprinklers <i>n.</i> |

Suffixes—The suffix *-ed* forms the past tense of verbs.

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| 24 drowned | died underwater <i>v.</i> |
| 25 guided | directed <i>v.</i> |
| 26 interrupted | stopped for a time <i>v.</i> |
| 27 disguised | changed or hid the appearance <i>v.</i> |
| 28 fastened | attached; secured <i>v.</i> |
| 29 attempted | tried; made an effort <i>v.</i> |
| 30 used | put to use <i>v.</i> ; not new <i>adj.</i> |
| 31 celebrated | observed a special occasion with ceremonies and festivities <i>v.</i> |
| 32 interested | showing curiosity about something <i>adj.</i> |
| 33 whispered | spoke in a soft voice <i>v.</i> |
| 34 imagined | formed a picture or idea in one's mind <i>v.</i> |
| 35 persuaded | convinced by argument or pleading <i>v.</i> |

Test Your Understanding

Write the missing vocabulary words on notebook paper. Some of the words will be plural.

1. Screwdrivers, hammers, and other _____ clutter the handyman's workbench.
2. Oliver Twist was really the grandson of a wealthy man and would one day _____ a huge estate.
3. Dictator, czar, and emperor are each a type of _____.
4. Have you ever known anyone that has had an _____ disease?
5. Columbus _____ to reach the East by sailing west.
6. Humans do not _____ the frozen lands of the North Pole.
7. Doctors can now _____ against smallpox and diphtheria.
8. It is unlawful to _____ trash within the city limits.
9. All the books used for the library research report should be listed on the _____ page.
10. Some countries cannot grow enough food for the people and so they must _____ food from other countries.
11. The operation on his kneecap required only a small _____.
12. My great-grandparents were _____ from Ireland.
13. After much coaxing, Sadie finally _____ her mom to go on the roller coaster with her.
14. Farmers use _____ to make crops grow in areas where there is little rain.
15. The pastor told the congregation to be ready and to watch for the _____ return of Christ.

Test Your Spelling Mastery

Circle the letter under Yes if the word is spelled correctly. If the word is misspelled, circle the letter under No and write the word correctly on notebook paper. Then use the letters you circled to solve the riddle.

Why were the Middle Ages so dark?

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| 1. autonymous | O | T | 12. automatic | O | W |
| 2. intrested | N | H | 13. insision | I | T |
| 3. celebrated | E | I | 14. impliment | T | O |
| 4. innoculate | D | R | 15. insincrate | H | F |
| 5. autoimmune | E | O | 16. whispered | K | H |
| 6. interupted | U | W | 17. imminint | A | N |
| 7. persuaded | E | G | 18. imagined | I | O |
| 8. immersion | R | H | 19. automobile | G | D |
| 9. disguised | E | N | 20. Biblical | H | L |
| 10. drowneded | U | A | 21. imigrant | E | T |
| 11. inharit | T | L | 22. irrigation | S | D |

Answer: Because _____

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11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22

List 3

A word is dead
When it is said.
Some say:
I say it just
Begins to live
That day.
— Emily Dickinson

Roots—The Greek roots *bio*, *bious* mean “life.” The Greek roots *dic*, *dict* mean “to say.”

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| 1 | biology | the study of living things <i>n.</i> |
| 2 | biography | the story of a person's life <i>n.</i> |
| 3 | amphibious | able to live on land and in water <i>adj.</i> |
| 4 | diction | the choice and use of words <i>n.</i> |
| 5 | dictionary | a book of alphabetically listed words (with their meanings) <i>n.</i> |
| 6 | dictate | to say for someone to write down <i>v.</i> |
| 7 | edict | an official public announcement <i>n.</i> |
| 8 | predict | to say in advance <i>v.</i> |
| 9 | verdict | the decision of a jury <i>n.</i> |
| 10 | contradict | to say the opposite <i>v.</i> |
| 11 | benediction | a short blessing at the end of public worship <i>n.</i> |

Prefixes—The Latin prefix *sub-* means “under, close to.” The Greek prefix *dia-* means “through, between, across.”

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| 12 | submerged | covered with water <i>adj.</i> |
| 13 | submarine | a vessel made to go under water <i>n.</i> |
| 14 | suburb | a community on the outskirts of a city <i>n.</i> |
| 15 | subordinate | under the power of another <i>adj.</i> |
| 16 | subnormal | beneath the standard or average <i>adj.</i> |
| 17 | suboceanic | existing or happening under the sea <i>adj.</i> |
| 18 | subsoil | the ground under the topsoil <i>n.</i> |
| 19 | subpoena | an official order commanding a person to appear in court <i>n.</i> |
| 20 | subservient | putting oneself under the command of another; submissive <i>adj.</i> |
| 21 | subdue | to conquer; to bring under control <i>v.</i> |
| 22 | subconscious | not fully aware <i>adj.</i> |
| 23 | substitute | a person or thing that takes the place of another <i>n.</i> |
| 24 | submissive | yielding to the authority of another <i>adj.</i> |
| 25 | subway | an underground train <i>n.</i> |
| 26 | diagraming | making a drawing showing the important parts of something <i>v.</i> |
| 27 | diagnose | to find the cause of a problem by close examination <i>v.</i> |
| 28 | diagonal | slanted from corner to corner <i>adj.</i> |
| 29 | dialogue | a conversation between two or more people <i>n.</i> |
| 30 | diameter | a line through the center of a circle <i>n.</i> |
| 31 | diaphragm | the muscle between the stomach and lungs <i>n.</i> |
| 32 | diadem | a crown <i>n.</i> |

Suffixes—The Latin suffix *-ian* means “one who has a relationship to.” It is used to form nouns.

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| 33 | musician | a composer or performer of music <i>n.</i> |
| 34 | magician | one who performs tricks <i>n.</i> |
| 35 | physician | a person skilled in the art of healing; a doctor <i>n.</i> |

Test Your Understanding

Write the missing vocabulary words on notebook paper.

1. A doctor must ? the illness before prescribing medicine.
2. Didn't Alexander the Great ? Greece and Persia without a single battle?
3. For my book report, I chose a ? about the life of the great man of prayer, George Müller.
4. God inspired the prophet Isaiah to ? Christ's birth many years before it occurred.
5. Colin did not live within the Chicago city limits; instead, his home was in a ? of Chicago.
6. Toads, salamanders, and other ? creatures are at home on land or in water.
7. Botany, zoology, and ecology are branches of ? .
8. When we returned from swimming, we saw that the rising tide had ? our towels and lunch.
9. When Parker pulled a muscle sliding into second base, the coach sent in a ? runner.
10. After hearing the lawyer's arguments, the jury left the courtroom to consider their ? .
11. The ? between the actors on stage was a disaster; they kept forgetting their lines.
12. Christopher Columbus dared to ? the false belief that the world was flat.
13. Rebellion is wicked; God commands us to be ? to those in authority.
14. The use of "affect" for "effect" is an example of poor ? .
15. Since Holmes's friend Watson was a ? , he could help solve "The Case of the Sickly Seamstress."

Test Your Spelling Mastery

Unscramble the spelling words and write them on notebook paper. The first letter of each word is bold.

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| 1. b ccinoosssuu | 9. abdeinorstu | 16. aacgiimn |
| 2. a chiinpsy | 10. aadeggiimur | 17. a dceimrt |
| 3. b dceeiinnot | 11. abcceinosu | 18. b eeinrsstiv |
| 4. a cdiinorty | 12. aecdinortt | 19. b gilooy |
| 5. a bhiimopsu | 13. abghiopry | 20. bdeegmrstu |
| 6. abenopsu | 14. aadgilno | 21. a degilou |
| 7. aadghimpr | 15. beimsssv | 22. b eisstttuu |
| 8. aciimnsu | | |