Greek Word Generator Worksheet
using Greek word parts (combining forms)

Generally Beginning

astron
auto
bio
chron
dem, demos
hydro
micro
peri
poly
sym, syn
tele
thermo
theos, theo

Either

cosmos, cosm
graph
meter, metr
morph
naut
phon, phone

Generally Ending

crat, cratic, cracy
logy, ology
nomy, onomy

> Make your own Greek words using the parts above.
>
> astron + nomy = astronomy
>
> cosmos + ology = cosmology

My Greek Words:

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Latin Word Ending Exercise

Figure out what main part of speech each word ending type is in the exercise below. (Each group of words in this exercise will have no exceptions, they will all be the same type of word.) The words in each group will be one of the 4 types of speech described below.

Noun: person, place, thing, idea
Adjective: describes a noun or pronoun
Verb: action, occurrence, or state of being
Adverb: modifies a verb

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1 tion/ sion	proclamation recession election nation infraction	
2 ive	comprehensive progressive excessive defensive lucrative decisive	
3 ture	nature feature future adventure infrastructure culture	

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4 ial	essential perennial terrestrial arterial industrial special artificial	
5 ious	serious industrious rebellious glorious judicious	
6 uous	ambiguous conspicuous virtuous	

Phonics of Word Origin

Letter	Old English	Latin	French	Greek
Vowels	Many 2 letter: AI, AY, EE, EA ,OU, OO, etc.	Mostly single vowels OR vowels divide between: IO, UE, UA, IU, IE, etc.	A few 2 letter vowels AND also 3 letter vowels (EAU)	Mostly single vowels but a few 2 letter (AU,EU); a few divide between
Long O at end	usually -OW	usually -O		usually -O
Long E at end	usually -Y		usually -IE	usually -Y
I	usually short or long	I as long E	I as Long E	often spelled with a Y
OU	OU as "OU" in ouch		OU as "OO" in soup	
Consonants	many together: CK, NK, NG, NCH, NT, SW, WH			PH as "F"
CH	CH as "CH"		CH as "SH"	CH as "K"
GN	Silent G as in gnat, sign	Usually both pronounced as in signal	Spanish LL sound as in chignon, vignette	
Silent letters	Letter teams, 1 silent: WR_, KN_, MB, GN Single letters silent: T, O, occasionally others		Single letters silent: H at beginning S at end	letter teams, 1 silent: RH_, MN PN_, PS_, PT_
G, J	ending J spelled -DGE	ending J spelled -DU	GE as ZH sound as in garage	
QU	usually "KW"	either "KW" or "K"	usually "K"	
General	Sounds "harsh," clunky Many common words	Romance sound Science, medicine	Romance + nasal vowels "Stuffy" form of words	Medium "harsh," Science, theology
Other		-TU as in -TURE, -TIAL -SI as in -SION -TI as in -TION	-ILLE, - ETTE, -ARRE, etc. -ET as long A -OT as long O -EUR, -QUE, -GUE	

These words are in scrambled order. There are 5 words from each language of origin, put them in the correct row using the chart above for help. Some words may be in their correct row, but many are not!

punctuation	philosophy	church	think
radian	layette	morphology	educate
adventure	crevesse	entrepreneur	rhodium
wrong	good	avian	days
anaglyph	touche	psychokinesis	beauty

Old English	Latin	French	Greek

Word Origin Challenge

Your word origin challenge: Write 3 sentences about a similar topic using 1. words of mainly Old English (O.E.) origin 2. words of mainly Latin (L.) origin 3. words of mainly Greek (Gk.) origin. Here is an example:

   1. I love to study English, its speech sounds and how the underlying letter sound spelling patterns are written and spoken. [O.E.]

   2. Linguistics investigates language, its contrasts and cadences, explanations of pronunciation, its verbal transformations and areas of persistence. [L.]

   3. Phonics is a pragmatic method; a synthesis of phonology and orthography; the rhyme and meter of the alphabet as a phonetic symbol system. [Gk.]

Extra Credit: Write 3 complete paragraphs or a short story using the 3 different languages of origin. The Word origin choice grid below can be used to help. Also, once you have a subject in mind, use a dictionary that includes word origin and look up the origin of words related to your subject. Some words have roots from multiple sources, for example, story is from Middle English *storie* and Latin *historia* and so can be used in either or both Old English or Latin sentences.

Word Origin Choice Grid

Old English	Latin	Greek
dirt, earth	terrain	geography
tale, **story**	**story**, legend, **parable, history**	**parable, history**, myth
gift	present	treasure
father, fatherly	paternal	patriarch
plant	flower	botany
town	city	metropolis
learner, **pupil**	**pupil**, student	scholar
chicken, hen	poultry, aviarist	ornithology, zoology
dog, hound	canine	cynology, zoology
spider	insect	arachnid
time, timeline	temporal	chronology, chronological
plot	map	cartography
drawing	picture	graphics
love	amorous	agape
healer	doctor	physician
belly	abdomen, **stomach**	**stomach**
ship, boat, sailboat	maritime	nautical
aware	cognizant	phycology, psyche
end of the world	complete disaster	apocalypse
to stand for	representation	symbolic
green	verdant	chlorophyll
old	ancient	archaic, geriatric
kingly	royal	aristocratic
smell	odor	aroma
big	immense	gigantic
small, little	minute, diminutive	micro, microscopic
cleanliness, clean, wash, **purify**	**purify**, sanitary, sanitation	hygiene
former, before	previous, prior	anachronism, prologue
friendly, kindred, **agreeable**	**agreeable,** amicable	empathetic, sympathetic, harmony
eat, snack	consume, ingest	gastronomy
seasickness, queasiness	vomiting	nausea
leaving, **departure**	**departure**	exodus
speak, talk	soliloquy	rhetoric, dialogue
run	exercise	calisthenics, gymnastics

Word Origin Challenge

1. Old English sentence:

2. Latin sentence:

3. Greek sentence

Example word origin hint--select a few related words for each, then make a sentence:

1. OE tale, old, boat = This is a tale of an old boat.
2. Latin legend, ancient, maritime = An ancient maritime legend exists.
3. Greek myth, archaic, nautical = The archaic myth is nautical.

Answers to Language Worksheets

Possible answers to Greek Word Generator Worksheet, page 1. (Others are possible, students can even create new words that are not currently words!)

astronomy, autograph, biology, chronometer, democratic, hydrometer, micrometer, perimeter, polygraph, symmetry, telegraph, telephone, thermometer, theology, cosmology, graphic, metrical, morphemic, nautical, phonology

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