

ROOT WORD TEST #1 Name _____ Block _____ Date _____

Directions: Match the following words to the definitions below. You will not use all of your choices.

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| A. accreditation | G. Il Duce |
| B. anachronism | H. lexicographer |
| C. auscultation | I. manumit |
| D. bibliopegy | J. memento mori |
| E. chagrin | K. preclude |
| F. disastrous | L. vivisepture |

- _____ 1. to liberate or free from slavery; to send from one's hands or control
- _____ 2. the practice of burying people alive
- _____ 3. calamitous; ill-starred; causing serious, sudden harm
- _____ 4. official recognition or belief; certified as meeting certain set standards
- _____ 5. the art of bookbinding
- _____ 6. something out of its proper time, i.e. Romans wearing wristwatches
- _____ 7. any reminder of death
- _____ 8. listening to sounds in the chest, etc., often with a stethoscope
- _____ 9. duke, chief, leader; title assumed by Benito Mussolini
- _____ 10. one who writes a dictionary

Extra Credit: On the back of this page explain, demonstrate, or illustrate the meanings of DEDUCTION and INDUCTION. (aha!)

ROOT WORD TEST #2 Name _____ Hour _____ Date _____

Directions: Match the following words to the definitions below. You will not use all of your choices.

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| A. achromatic | G. mittimus |
| B. corpulent | H. obverse |
| C. ectoderm | I. pandemic |
| D. effluent | J. parthenogenesis |
| E. egregious | K. perfidy |
| F. fin de siecle | L. portfolio |

- _____ 1. outflow of a sewer or septic tank; a stream flowing out of a body of water
- _____ 2. virgin birth, reproduction by the development of an unfertilized ovum, etc.
- _____ 3. standing out from the group in an unfavorable sense
- _____ 4. writ or warrant sending a person convicted of crime to prison
- _____ 5. carrying case for representative works, such as manuscripts or drawings
- _____ 6. treachery; deliberate breaking of faith; betrayal of trust
- _____ 7. universal, general; a disease affecting all people
- _____ 8. outer layer of cells of an animal embryo, from which the nervous system, skin, hair, teeth, etc., are developed
- _____ 9. end of the century
- _____ 10. colorless

Extra Credit: Ontogeny recapitulates phylogeny. (HUH?)

ROOT WORD TEST #3 Name _____ Hour _____ Date _____

Directions: Match the following words to the definitions below. You will not use all of your choices.

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| A. aviculture | G. geocentric |
| B. circumscribe | H. malediction |
| C. dehydrate | I. morbid |
| D. deportment | J. novice |
| E. euphonious | K. photokinesis |
| F. fecund | L. symmetry |

- _____ 1. movement induced by light
- _____ 2. fertile; productive; able to reproduce or make offspring
- _____ 3. the raising and care of birds
- _____ 4. one who is new at an enterprise; a beginner
- _____ 5. to draw a line around; to set limits to something
- _____ 6. any system centered on the earth, or with the earth at the center
- _____ 7. similarity of measurement on both sides; bilateral
- _____ 8. having a pleasant sound
- _____ 9. to remove water; to dry out completely
- _____ 10. a curse; slander; saying bad things about someone

Extra Credit: What term is used for the newly rich, implying that they lack the culture and good taste of the traditionally wealthy

ROOT WORD TEST #4 Name _____ Hour _____ Date _____

Directions: Match the following words to the definitions below. You will not use all of your choices.

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| A. bona fide | G. philodox |
| B. commute | H. pyromaniac |
| C. corpus delicti | I. retort |
| D. distraction | J. tripod |
| E. malapropism | K. verisimilitude |
| F. pellucid | L. vincible |

- _____ 1. one who loves the opinions he himself holds
- _____ 2. to twist another's words so as to insult them; to turn an insult back upon its source
- _____ 3. easy to understand; clear and simple in style; allowing light through
- _____ 4. in good faith; without dishonesty, fraud, or deceit
- _____ 5. can be defeated; conquerable
- _____ 6. to change a punishment to one that is less severe
- _____ 7. humorous misuse of words because of bad vocabulary; as in "Mozart was a child progeny"
- _____ 8. a structured poem using verses of three metrical feet
- _____ 9. plausibility; the appearance of being true or real
- _____ 10. body of victim in murder case; also all other physical evidence

Extra Credit: The title of the poem by William Ernest Henley which includes the lines, "I thank whatever gods may be/for my unconquerable soul."

ROOT WORD TEST #5 Name _____ Hour _____ Date _____

Directions: Match the following words to the definitions below. You will not use all of your choices.

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| A. advent | G. pacify |
| B. advertise | H. pyrotechnics |
| C. artifact | I. theody |
| D. evocative | J. transfer |
| E. innate | K. vista |
| F. interject | L. zygote |

- _____ 1. to turn attention toward
- _____ 2. inborn; inherent in
- _____ 3. fireworks
- _____ 4. to interrupt; to throw out a comment or opinion
- _____ 5. a hymn in praise of God
- _____ 6. view from a distance; what can be seen from a distance
- _____ 7. to make peace
- _____ 8. to bring from one place to another
- _____ 9. calling forth memories and emotions
- _____ 10. the coming of an important person

Extra Credit: The famous message which Julius Caesar sent to the Senate in Rome announcing his victory in Gaul over 2,000 years ago is famous for brevity and action. Translate his Latin message: "Veni, vidi, vici." I _____, I _____, I _____.

ROOT WORD TEST #6 Name _____ Block _____ Date _____

Directions: Match the following words to the definitions below. You will not use all of your choices.

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| A. distraction | G. moron |
| B. heterogynous | H. psychosomatic |
| C. homage | I. retrospect |
| D. homonym | J. sangfroid |
| E. matrilineal | K. sophism |
| F. memorabilia | L. tendentious |

- _____ 1. holding to one opinion regardless of other arguments; close-minded
- _____ 2. words with the same sound, but different meanings
- _____ 3. to show respect or reverence to another man
- _____ 4. having two different kinds of females, reproductive and nonreproductive, as ants and bees
- _____ 5. looking back on or thinking about the past
- _____ 6. things worth remembering
- _____ 7. a physical disorder aggravated by the emotions or mental attitude of the patient
- _____ 8. an argument appearing to be reasonable and wise, but hiding a fallacy
- _____ 9. a very foolish or stupid person
- _____ 10. anything that draws the mind or attention away in another direction; diversion

Extra Credit: Name the great Greek playwright whose name means "The Wise One."

ROOT WORD TEST #7

Name _____ Hour _____ Date _____

Directions: Match the following words to the definitions below. You will not use all of your choices.

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| A. antecedent | G. impending |
| B. clarion | H. misanthrope |
| C. construe | I. posture |
| D. dynamic | J. prescient |
| E. eloquent | K. recluse |
| F. genarch | L. static |

- _____ 1. the head or ruler of a family
- _____ 2. expressing oneself well verbally; a way with words; speaking well
- _____ 3. apparent knowledge of things before they happen; foretelling
- _____ 4. word used to describe an unchanging literary character who stands as is; not moving or changing
- _____ 5. a person who hates mankind
- _____ 6. the noun used before a pronoun can be used correctly; the noun “goes before” the pronoun
- _____ 7. to figure out, or build, the meaning by analyzing all the parts of a thing; translate; deduce
- _____ 8. hanging over one, as in doom
- _____ 9. a clear, sharp, ringing sound
- _____ 10. placement of the limbs of the body; bearing, carriage

Extra Credit: What does *logorrhea* mean?**ROOT WORD TEST #8**

Name _____ Hour _____ Date _____

Directions: Match the following words to the definitions below. You will not use all of your choices.

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| A. acclamation | G. opuscle |
| B. annuity | H. polyglot |
| C. biota | I. pro tem |
| D. cognition | J. protozoa |
| E. dentiloquy | K. recto |
| F. occlusor | L. sotto voce |

- _____ 1. an aside; in a soft voice or tone
- _____ 2. animal and plant life of a region; the flora and fauna of an area
- _____ 3. for the time being
- _____ 4. the amount of money paid annually
- _____ 5. a vote by calling out, rather than counting
- _____ 6. a small, petty work
- _____ 7. the act of knowing
- _____ 8. an organ which closes
- _____ 9. a right-hand page
- _____ 10. the practice of talking through the teeth

Extra Credit: What might *agnosia* mean?

ROOT WORD TEST #9

Name _____ Hour _____ Date _____

Directions: Match the following words to the definitions below. You will not use all of your choices.

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| A. acrimony | G. insatiable |
| B. cognizant | H. pantheon |
| C. concise | I. parody |
| D. genocide | J. punctographic |
| E. gratulatory | K. validate |
| F. in loco parentis | L. vicissitudinary |

- _____ 1. to approve or recognize the worth of something
- _____ 2. satire following alongside the original in characters or plot
- _____ 3. in the place of a parent; with parental authority
- _____ 4. Braille; form of writing based on arrangement of dots
- _____ 5. bitterness, not of taste, but of feeling
- _____ 6. a temple dedicated to all the gods
- _____ 7. characterized by changes in fortune
- _____ 8. cannot get enough; unsatisfied
- _____ 9. brief and clear because all unnecessary information has been cut away
- _____ 10. the killing of a race of people

Extra Credit: What might the satiety index measure?**ROOT WORD TEST #10**

Name _____ Hour _____ Date _____

Directions: Match the following words to the definitions below. You will not use all of your choices.

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| A. alma mater | G. neophobia |
| B. cognizant | H. omniscient |
| C. cordial | I. patronymic |
| D. genocide | J. per capita |
| E. gratuity | K. sangfroid |
| F. interrogate | L. somnambulist |

- _____ 1. heartfelt; warm and friendly
- _____ 2. cold-blooded
- _____ 3. to question questions closely, formally, aggressively
- _____ 4. per head or per person
- _____ 5. fear of new things
- _____ 6. the school that fostered or "mothered" one's learning; one's former school
- _____ 7. a tip given for pleasing service
- _____ 8. a sleepwalker
- _____ 9. the father's name added to the child's; last name
- _____ 10. all knowing

Extra Credit: So, how can you add to the meaning of the title of the film *The Matrix*?

ROOT WORD TEST #11

Name _____ Hour _____ Date _____

Directions: Match the following words to the definitions below. You will not use all of your choices.

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| A. agronomist | G. kinesthesia |
| B. antecedent | H. licit |
| C. autolatry | I. magnate |
| D. circuitous | J. microcosm |
| E. genuflection | K. misogynist |
| F. heliotropic | L. vigilance |

- _____ 1. roundabout; not direct; marked by obliqueness or indirection in speech or conduct
- _____ 2. someone who hates women
- _____ 3. describing a plant that grows, or moves, toward the sun
- _____ 4. noun that comes before the pronoun
- _____ 5. a small world
- _____ 6. person of great wealth
- _____ 7. act of bending the knee or touching it to the ground in reverence or worship
- _____ 8. A person who studies or is an expert in crop production and soil science
- _____ 9. permitted by law; legal
- _____ 10. self worship; the cult of looking out for number one

Extra Credit: Henry David Thoreau could be described by some as an agromaniac. What might that be?**ROOT WORD TEST #12**

Name _____ Hour _____ Date _____

Directions: Match the following words to the definitions below. You will not use all of your choices.

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| A. ambidextrous | G. metamorphosis |
| B. antagonist | H. mobile |
| C. apostasy | I. repellent |
| D. disrupt | J. risible |
| E. empathy | K. sacrosanct |
| F. litany | L. urbane |

- _____ 1. identification with another's feelings
- _____ 2. capable of moving
- _____ 3. a defection from one's faith; going away from a prior belief
- _____ 4. disposed to laugh
- _____ 5. suave; refined in manner; citified rather than rural
- _____ 6. one who opposes and contends against another; an adversary
- _____ 7. to break apart; to throw into disarray
- _____ 8. driving back; as water-repellent fabric
- _____ 9. complete or marked change of physical form, structure, or substance
- _____ 10. using both hands with skill

Extra Credit: Give an example of apotheosis.

ROOT WORD TEST 13

Name _____ Hour _____ Date _____

Directions: Match the following words to the definitions below. You will not use all of your choices.

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| A. ablution | G. intuition |
| B. alias | H. malinger |
| C. alliteration | I. marfire |
| D. disjoin | J. osteomancy |
| E. espousal | K. pyrotechnics |
| F. illegitimate | L. vertigo |

- _____ 1. the phosphorescence of the sea
- _____ 2. separate; take apart; unjoin
- _____ 3. divination by bones
- _____ 4. fireworks; an artful display created with fire
- _____ 5. knowledge obtained without being taught; insight
- _____ 6. an assumed, or other, name, usually to escape the law
- _____ 7. not according to the law; illegal
- _____ 8. a washing away; a cleansing
- _____ 9. act or fact of being engaged and pledging to marry
- _____ 10. repetition of the same consonant sounds, or letters in sequential words

Extra Credit: What part of speech joins words and/or sentences together?**ROOT WORD TEST 14 (Numbers)** Name _____ Hour _____ Date _____**Directions:** Match the following words to the definitions below. You will not use all of your choices.

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| A. centigrade | G. millefiori |
| B. Decalogue | H. monotone |
| C. demitasse | I. pentadactyl |
| D. dilemma | J. polyglot |
| E. efficacy | K. quadrille |
| F. infidel | L. triage |

- _____ 1. speaking in one tone; unvaried pitch
- _____ 2. a very small cup, usually for espresso; half a cup
- _____ 3. temperature scale based a 100 degree range from the freezing point to the boiling point of water
- _____ 4. the Ten Commandments
- _____ 5. having five digits on each limb
- _____ 6. ornamental Italian glass design described as “a thousand flowers”
- _____ 7. situation in which someone must choose one of two unsatisfactory options
- _____ 8. one who knows many languages; a linguist
- _____ 9. a square dance performed typically by four couples
- _____ 10. separation of casualties into three groups: those who will recover without treatment, those who will not survive without treatment, those who will not survive even with treatment

Extra Credit: What does “*E pluribus unum*” mean?

ROOT WORD TEST 15 (Prefixes) Name _____ Hour _____ Date _____

Directions: Match the following words to the definitions below. You will not use all of your choices.

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| A. advertise | G. intransigence |
| B. contiguous | H. prejudice |
| C. deduction | I. prognosis |
| D. excerpt | J. recant |
| E. interface | K. subjugate |
| F. intramural | L. vertigo |

- _____ 1. a section or passage taken from a longer work
- _____ 2. sharing a common border; things that are with each other; together
- _____ 3. judgment before proof is given)
- _____ 4. refusal to change one's views or to think through something; unwillingness to reconsider
- _____ 5. a prediction about how a given situation will develop moving forward
- _____ 6. to draw attention toward)
- _____ 7. to bring a people or nations under the control of another nation
- _____ 8. to take back or to disavow a formerly held belief, usually under pressure)
- _____ 9. within the community or institution, as in sports
- _____ 10. connection between devices and/or programs so they can communicate

Extra Credit: What does it mean if someone's style is described as "eclectic"?

ROOT WORD TEST 16 (Suffixes) Name _____ Hour _____ Date _____

Directions: Match the following words to the definitions below. You will not use all of your choices.

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| A. appetizer | G. maliciously |
| B. boorish | H. mnemonist |
| C. colloquial | I. mortician |
| D. darkness | J. |
| E. feckless | K. |
| F. immutable | L. wisdom |

- _____ 1. conditions that can't be changed
- _____ 2. quality of being wise
- _____ 3. without initiative or strength of character; without effect; irresponsible)
- _____ 4. state of being dark, literally and/or figuratively
- _____ 5. appropriate to, used in, or related to spoken language
- _____ 6. doing something in an unkind, spiteful, bitter, or vengeful way; badly)
- _____ 7. a lout; a churl; having the nature of a boor
- _____ 8. food meant to make hungry or to awaken a craving)
- _____ 9. one who is versed in the science of how to train and improve the memory
- _____ 10. an undertaker; one skilled in preparing the dead for burial

Extra Credit: What word comes from the Latin *plagium*, "kidnapping," meaning to use and to pass off the ideas or writings of someone else claiming them as one's own? Literally, a literary thief!

ROOT WORD TEST #17

Name _____ Hour _____ Date _____

Directions: Match the following words to the definitions below. You will not use all of your choices.

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| A. aerosol | G. posterity |
| B. brevity | H. repellent |
| C. facsimile | I. scopophilia |
| D. gradient | J. transgression |
| E. neolatry | K. tribulation |
| F. paramour | L. unanimous |

- _____ 1. a lover, of either gender)
- _____ 2. a gentle slope; colors blending one into the other by steps
- _____ 3. being of one mind; fully in agreement
- _____ 4. obtaining sexual pleasure by looking at nude bodies, erotic photographs, etc.)
- _____ 5. a suspension of fine particles in the air
- _____ 6. an exact copy, just like the original, often of paper or printed materials
- _____ 7. those who come after; descendants
- _____ 8. driving or forcing back; pushing away
- _____ 9. shortness of duration
- _____ 10. worship of the new, the novelty

Extra Credit: Translate the Latin phrase "Amor vincit omnia" into English.**ROOT WORD TEST #18**

Name _____ Hour _____ Date _____

Directions: Match the following words to the definitions below. You will not use all of your choices.

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| A. atactilia | G. dormeuse |
| B. baryphony | H. metamorphosis |
| C. chiromancy | I. presentiment |
| D. disinter | J. sumptuous |
| E. defamation | K. telekinesis |
| F. domatologist | L. vacuous |

- _____ 1. person who studies houses
- _____ 2. sense that something is about to occur; a premonition.
- _____ 3. lavishness; extravagant; using or taking too much)
- _____ 4. condition in which a person experiences a loss of the sense of touch or feeling
- _____ 5. supposed ability to move objects at a distance by mental power or other nonphysical means.
- _____ 6. to dig up or to remove from a grave or a tomb; to exhume.
- _____ 7. heavy, thick quality of the voice; difficulty of speech; thick, indistinct speech.
- _____ 8. empty of thought or activity; inane
- _____ 9. divination by the hand; telling the fortunes of people by inspecting their hands; palmistry
- _____ 10. carriage arranged for sleeping while traveling

Extra Credit: What is the name of a large body of water between Europe and Africa that is surrounded nearly or completely by dry land?

ROOT WORD TEST #19

Name _____ Hour _____ Date _____

Directions: Match the following words to the definitions below. You will not use all of your choices.

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| A. aberration | G. necropolis |
| B. apt | H. paradox |
| C. cyclotron | I. pseudopsia |
| D. euphoria | J. rebellion |
| E. hackneyed | K. serendipity |
| F. indomitable | L. vagabond |

- _____ 1. statement or belief which, on the face of it, seems self-contradictory, absurd, or unbelievable
- _____ 2. cemetery; especially a large, elaborate, or ancient one; literally, "city of the dead"
- _____ 3. false vision; optical illusion
- _____ 4. organized attempt to overthrow a government, or other authority, by the use of violence
- _____ 5. a departure from what is normal, usual, or reasonable, typically one that is unwelcome
- _____ 6. a rambler or a rover who has no permanent place to live; a nomad, a wanderer
- _____ 7. a description or remark that is exactly suitable, fitting, and appropriate for a situation
- _____ 8. a feeling of well-being, feeling good
- _____ 9. characteristic of being impossible to defeat or to rule
- _____ 10. accelerator in which particles are propelled in spiral, or circular, paths

Extra Credit: In Italy, Naples is Neopolis, meaning what?**ROOT WORD TEST #20**

Name _____ Hour _____ Date _____

Directions: Match the following words to the definitions below. You will not use all of your choices.

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| A. adjudicate | G. dynasty |
| B. anathema | H. epigraph |
| C. bombastic | I. lexicologist |
| D. civics | J. misogynist |
| E. cursory | K. plurality |
| F. dishabille | L. tribute |

- _____ 1. payment by one ruler or nation to another to acknowledge submission or as the price of protection
- _____ 2. someone who hates marriage
- _____ 3. being partially or very inadequately dressed; not properly dressed
- _____ 4. an especially powerful line of kings
- _____ 5. the science of dealing with the rights and duties of the citizen
- _____ 6. to settle by legal decree
- _____ 7. a motto or quotation at the beginning of a book, above the text
- _____ 8. an action done hastily, with little attention given to its details; run over quickly
- _____ 9. someone who studies the meanings and origins of words
- _____ 10. state of being more numerous; majority

Extra Credit: What does "E Pluribus Unum" mean?