

# Vocabulary Vine

Practice your roots using the activity ideas on this sheet. Write your initials on each square that you complete. Select and complete a minimum of 5 activities to do at home or in school. The more you can accomplish in school, the less you have as homework. Attach any written work that is completed.

<p><b>Spelling Flowers</b></p> <p>Draw a picture of a great big flower. Write each of your roots and definitions for each. Give an example word and write the definition of the example word. Give each root and definition a different color.</p> 	<p><b>Root Dig</b></p> <p>Look up your root in the dictionary and find as many example words as possible. Give 5 of the new words and definitions that were found digging for your root.</p>	<p><b>Practice Test</b></p> <p>Take a practice test. Have your mom or dad ask you the root, spell it and come up with an example word.</p>	<p><b>Sign Your Roots</b></p> <p>Use sign language finger spelling to sign the spelling of your words. Check out Unity Kid's site <a href="http://www.unitykid.com/signlanguage.html">http://www.unitykid.com/signlanguage.html</a> to see animated hands making the letters so you can practice.</p> 	<p><b>Powerful Dynamite</b></p> <p>Try to use an example word and the meaning of one of its roots in the same sentence. Example: counterfeit (make, against)The government fights <i>against</i> counterfeiters.</p>
<p><b>Match and Swipe</b></p> <p>This is like Matchmaker, except that when you make a word, pick up those study cards. Make as many example words, using the card only once.</p> 	<p><b>Brainstorm</b></p> <p>Think of additional example words that use a recent study root. How many can you think of? Use a dictionary to identify as many words that have your root.</p>	<p><b>Dominoes</b></p> <p>You say a root word and the meaning. Your partner must say another word that uses one of the roots in your word. Keep building on each other's words until one player can not think of any more words.</p>	<p><b>*Type 'Em</b></p> <p>Type your root words on the computer, using a different font and/or color for each one. After each word, type the definition. You may print your words or email them to me at <a href="mailto:ckasper@antioch34.com">ckasper@antioch34.com</a>, or put them in your blog.</p> 	<p><b>Smorgasbord</b></p> <p>Write a sentence that includes as many roots as possible. How many roots can you fit into one sentence?</p>
<p><b>Root Sentences</b></p> <p>Write silly sentences that include your root example words. Underline your roots. If you use a computer, please print your sentences.</p> 	<p><b>Toss a Root</b></p> <p>Toss (or roll) a ball back and forth with a partner. You say the 1st letter of the root, and then toss the ball. Your partner says 2nd letter and tosses the ball back, and so forth. The last toss must be the definition</p>	<p><b>Root Baseball</b></p> <p>Draw four bases on a piece of paper or lay out four pillows to be the bases. The pitcher selects a root. If the batter can spell the root correctly &amp; name the definition, he moves forward one base. If not, he remains where he is. A point is earned every time you pass home plate. Play with a sibling, friend, or parent.</p>	<p><b>Mining for Roots</b></p> <p>In a college dictionary, choose a section such as a column or page. In that section, find every word which comes from Latin or Greek roots. List the roots and define their roots.</p>	<p><b>Sentence, Please</b></p> <p>Select at least 3 of your roots and write sentences using each one. You may use more than one root n a sentence, but the sentence must make sense. Underline all the root words you used. If you use a computer, please print your sentences.</p> 
<p><b>Matchmaker</b></p> <p>Choose 5 study cards. Be sure to choose several verbs and popular prefixes such as con, dis and re. See who can make the most words from the cards. Use a dictionary for any dispute.</p>	<p><b>Memory</b></p> <p>Grab a partner from your root group and use both of your sets of word cards to play a game of memory. When you find a match, place the pair in your pile and see who wins.</p>	<p><b>Word Search</b></p> <p>Make a word search puzzle using your roots. Use the Discovery School's online Puzzle Maker <a href="http://www.puzzlemaker.com">http://www.puzzlemaker.com</a>. Then find your words!</p> 	<p><b>Make Some Music</b></p> <p>Write a song or rap that includes at least 10 of your roots. Share with a friend or family member. You may post it to your blog.</p> 	<p><b>Say It Again (BACKWARDS)</b></p> <p>Play Say it Again backwards by quizzing each other with the definition of the root word and then having to come up with the root word. Example: partner says one hundred feet and you say centipede.</p>
<p><b>Roots Within Words</b></p> <p>Write each root word. Then write at least two example words made with your root. <i>Example: Root word: tele - telephone &amp; telescope</i></p>	<p><b>Hidden Words</b></p> <p>Draw a picture and write root words in the picture. Try to hide the roots!</p>	<p><b>Brainstorm Race</b></p> <p>Work with a partner and have a competition to see who can come up with the most roots that fit into words. Set a time limit of 10 minutes. Compare your lists when finished. Use a dictionary if needed.</p>	<p><b>Scavenger Hunt</b></p> <p>Look for roots in other speech and writing. Choose a page from a book, or listen to talk radio. How many roots do you recognize?</p>	<p><b>Say It Again</b></p> <p>You and a partner quiz each other to translate the roots in example words. If your partner says centipede, you answer one hundred feet.</p>