

Scientific Root Words, Prefixes & Suffixes

QUIZ 1

a-; an-	not; without;lacking;deficient
ab-	away from; out from
-able	capable of
ac-	to; toward
acro-	extreme, peak
-aceous	of or pertaining to
acou-; acous-	hear
ad-	to; toward
aden-	gland
adip-	fat
acro-	air
agri-	field; soil
-al	having the character of
alb-	white
alg-; -algia	pain
alto-	high
ambi-	both
ameb-	change; alternation
amni-	fetal membrane
amphi-; ampho-	both
amyl-	starch
ana-	up; back; again
andro-	man; masculine
anemo-	wind
ang-	choke, feel pain
angi-	blood vessel; duct
ante-	before; ahead of time
anter-	front
antho-	flower
anti-	against; opposite
anthropo-	man; human
-ap-; -aph-	touch
apo-; ap-	away from
aqu-	water
archaeo-	primitive; ancient
-ary; -arium	denotes a place for something
arteri-	artery
arthr-	joint; articulation
-ase	forms names of enzymes

aster-; astr-	star
-ate	verb form - the act of...
ather-	fatty deposit
-ation	noun form - the act of...
atmo-	vapor
audi-	hear
aur-	ear
auto-	self
bacter-; bacr-	bacterium; stick; club
barb-	beard
baro-	weight
bath-	depth; height
bene-	well; good
bi- (Latin)	two; twice
bi-; bio- (Greek)	life; living
-blast-	sprout; germ; bud
brachi-	arm
brachy-	short
brady-	slow
branchi-	fin
brev-	short
bronch-	windpipe
cac-	bad
calor-	heat
capill-	hair
capit-	head
carcin-	cancer
cardi-	heart
car-n-	meat; flesh
carp-	fruit
carpal-	wrist
cata-	breakdown; downward
caud-	tail

QUIZ 2

-cell-	chamber; small room
cen-; -cene	now; recent
cente-	pierce
centi-	hundredth
centr-	center
cephal-	head
cerat-	horn