Common Prefixes and Suffixes Used In Science Vocabulary

PREFIX	MEANING
anti-	against
anthro-	Pertaining to man
arth-	joint, jointed
auto-	self
bio-	related to life
chloro-	green
cyto-	cell
di-	double
epi-	above
exo-	outer, external
gastro-	stomach
hemo-	blood
herb-	pertaining to plants
hetero-	different
homeo-	same
macro-	large
micro-	small
multi-	consisting of many units
osteo-	bone
photo-	pertaining to light
plasm-	forming substance
proto-	first
syn-	together

SUFFIX	MEANING
-cyst	pouch
-derm	skin, layer
-gen	producing
-itis	inflammation
-logy	study
-meter	measurement
-morph	shape
-osis	condition, disease
-phage	eater
-phase	stage
-pod	foot
-stasis	stationary condition