**Vocabulary Prefixes, Roots, and Suffixes for the SAT**

Your time with the vocabulary section of the SAT will be easier if you take the time to master some basic prefixes, roots, and suffixes ahead of time. Knowing these word parts can help you determine the meaning of unfamiliar words. Do your best to add the word parts in the following tables to your knowledge base. Knowing Prefixes, Roots, and Suffixes also help in understanding of words in context of reading (denotation/connotation)

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| **Prefixes** | | |
| *a–, an–* = not, without | *circ–* = around | *peri–* = around |
| *ab–* = away from | *co–, con–, col–, cor–* = with | *poly–* = many |
| *ad–* = toward, addition | *contra–, counter–* = against | *post–* = after |
| *anim–* = life, spirit | *de–, ex–* = out of, away from | *pre–* = before |
| *ante–* = before | *extra–* = beyond, outside | *pro–* = forward, supporting, going ahead of |
| *anti–* = opposite, against | *hetero–* = other | *re–, retro–* = back, again |
| *auc–, aug–* = increase | *homo–* = same | *se–* = apart |
| *aud–, aur–* = hear | *hyper–* = above | *sub–, suc–, suf–* = below,  under |
| *auto–* = self | *hypo–* = under | *super–, sur–* = over, above |
| *ben–, bon–, eu–* = good | *il–, im–, in–, ir–, non–*= not | *syn–, sym–, syl--, sys--*  =  together, with |
| *brev–* = short | *inter–* = between | *trans–* = across, beyond |
| *caco–, dys–* = bad, abnormal | *intra–* = within | *ultra–, outr–* = beyond |
| *ceiv–, cept–, capt–* = take | *mal–, mis–, ne–* = bad, wrongly | *vice–* = in place of |
| *arch-- =* chief, first*,* rule | *iso-- =* equal | *magni-- =* expand |
| *ampli--, ambi-- =* both,  large |  | *dys-- =* bad, abnormal |
| *mono-- =* single | *mor-- =* dead, death | *semi-- =* half |
|  | *anthro-- = human* |  |

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| **Roots** | | |
| ambu = walk, move | fract, frag, frai = break | pug = war, fight |
| andro = man | gnos = knowledge | rupt = break |
| anthro = human | grad, gress = to go | sanct = holy |
| bellu, belli = war, fight | greg = group, herd | scien = knowledge |
| carn = flesh | gyn = woman | senti = feeling |
|  | gen = birth, race |  |
| clam, claim = shout | her, hes = to stick | somn, sop = sleep |
| clin = lean, bend | jac, ject = to throw | son = sound |
| clud, clus, claus = close | loq, log, loc, lix = talk | soph = wise |
| cred = trust, belief | luc, lum, lus = light, clear | spec = look |
| demo– = people | meta, mut = change | term = end, boundary |
| dog, dox = thought, idea | morph = shape | terr = earth |
| duc, duct = to lead, pull | narco = sleep | theo = God |
| ev = time, age | omni = all | ven = come |
| fac = to do, make | oper = work | vid, vis = to see |
| fiss = break, part | pac, plac = peace, calm | voc, voke = call |
| flict = strike | path = feeling | vol = roll, turn |
| fort = strength | phon = sound | xen = stranger |

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| **Suffixes** | | |
| –able, –ible = capable of | –cide = to kill | –ist = a person |
| –ate, –ify,–efy, –ize, –ise = make,  become | –cis = cut | –logy, –ology = study |
| –cess, –cede = to go, yield | –ette, –illo = little | –ous, --eous, ious = full of |
| --ant, --ent = one who, full of | --ign = having  quality of | --opoly = controlling interest |
| --ary = relating to, connecting with | --tude = condition,  state of | --al, --il, --ile = pertaining to,  characterized by |
| --ac, --ic, --ical = like, related | --oid = resembling |  |