

Greek Roots Vocabulary List 2

Honors Junior English

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anarchy	(n.) A. Absence of government; a state of lawlessness due to the absence or inefficiency of the supreme power; political disorder. B. A theoretical social state in which there is no governing person or body of persons, but each individual has absolute liberty (without implication of disorder).
archaeology	(n.) The scientific study of the remains and monuments of the prehistoric period. Ancient history generally; systematic description or study of antiquities.
demography	(n.) The study of human populations, esp. the study of statistics, such as numbers of births and deaths, the incidence of disease, or rates of migration, which illustrate the changing size or composition of populations over time.
heterogeneous	(adj.) Of one body in respect of another, or of various bodies in respect of each other: diverse in kind or nature, of completely different characters; incongruous; foreign.
homogeneous	(adj.) Of one thing in respect of another, or of various things in respect of each other: Of the same kind, nature, or character; alike, similar, congruous.
polygon	(n.) A plane figure with many (usually more than four) straight sides and the same number of angles.
gynarchy	(n.) Government by a woman or women.
oligarchy	(n.) Government by a small group of people; a form of government in which the exercise of power is restricted to a few people or families (in later use, freq. a wealthy elite); an instance of this form of government. Also: the members of such a government collectively. Also in extended use.
epidemic	(adj. and n.) Of a disease: 'Prevalent among a people or a community at a special time, and produced by some special causes not generally present in the affected locality'

pandemic	(adj. and n.) Of a disease: epidemic over a very large area; affecting a large proportion of a population. Also: of or relating to such a disease.
endemic	(adj. and n.) Constantly or regularly found among a (specified) people, or in a (specified) country: Of plants or animals: Having their ordinary habitat in a certain country; opposed to exotic. Now used spec. of plants and animals that are indigenous only in a specified area. Of diseases: Habitually prevalent in a certain country, and due to permanent local causes.
misogynist	(n.) A person who hates, dislikes, or is prejudiced against women.
genealogy	(n.) An account of one's descent from an ancestor or ancestors, by enumeration of the intermediate persons; a pedigree.
diagonal	(adj.) Extending, as a line, from any angular point of a quadrilateral or multilateral figure to an opposite or non-adjacent angular point. (Also applied to a plane extending from one edge of a solid figure to the opposite edge.) Extending from one corner of anything to the opposite corner. Having an oblique direction like the diagonal of a square or other parallelogram; lying or passing athwart; inclined at an angle other than a right angle (usually about 45°).
eulogy	(n.) A speech or writing in commendation of the character and services of a person, or the qualities of a thing; esp. a set oration in honor of a deceased person.