

## Latin Roots Vocabulary List 2

### Senior English

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- supersonic (adj.) **A.** Designating sound waves or vibrations with a frequency above the range of human hearing (i.e. greater than 20 kilohertz); relating to or involving such waves. **B.** (Of a speed) greater than the speed of sound; (of an aircraft, etc.) capable of such a speed; relating to or involving such a speed.
- verbal (adj.) **A.** Consisting or composed of words; also, of or pertaining to, manifested in, words. **B.** Dealing in or with words, esp. with mere words in contrast to things or realities.
- lingual (adj.) **A.** Of or relating to the tongue. **B.** Of a speech sound or articulation: formed by the tongue;
- languid (adj.) **A.** Of a person, animal, bodily function, etc.: weak, faint, or inert, esp. from illness or fatigue; lacking vitality or vigor, listless. **B.** exhibiting a natural or affected disinclination to physical exertion; leisurely, unhurried, slow-moving.
- veracity (n.); truthfulness, veraciousness.
- voracity (n.) The quality or character of being voracious; greediness in eating.
- virile (adj.) Of, belonging to, or characteristic of a man; manly, masculine; marked by strength or force.
- virtuoso (n.) **A.** A learned person; a scholar; esp. a scientist, a natural philosopher. Also: spec. a member of the Royal Society. **B.** A person who has a special interest in, or taste for, the fine arts; a student or collector of antiques, natural curiosities, rarities, etc.; a connoisseur; esp. one who pursues such interests in the manner of a dabbler or dilettante.

- omnivorous (adj.) Feeding on or characterized by a varied diet of both plant and animal origin; contrasted with carnivorous, herbivorous, etc. Also: eating food of all kinds (i.e. not vegetarian)
- multilingual (adj.) Involving several or many languages; written, spoken, etc., in several languages; having or speaking more than two languages.
- paucity (n.) Smallness of quantity or size; thinness; the presence of something in only small amounts; scantiness; a small or scant quantity.
- elongate (v.) **A.** To lengthen, draw out, prolong. **B.** To grow or increase in length; to be lengthy; to have a slender or tapering form.
- brevity (n.) **A.** Shortness, esp. as applied to time. **B.** The being short in speech or writing; contraction into few words, conciseness, terseness.
- verity (n.) Without article. Truth, either in general or with reference to a particular fact; conformity to fact or reality.
- verbose (adj.) Expressed in an unnecessary number of words; prolix, wordy. Using an excessive number of words; writing or speaking at excessive length; long-winded.