

**Chapter Four***Assessment Preparation: Word Roots*

**Directions:** Use the word list below from Chapter Four to answer the following. On line a., choose the vocabulary word that has the same root as the hint word given in bold lettering. On line b., give the part of speech and definition of the vocabulary word. Finally, on line c., explain how the hint word and the vocabulary word are connected. An example has been done for you.

mauled	aloof	meager	liniment	fawning	disarming
scornful	brutally	indignation	averted	appraised	crestfallen

**Ex.** The word **mallet** comes from the L. *malleus*, meaning "hammer," from *mele-*, meaning "to grind, crush"

- a. Which vocabulary word has this same root? mauled
- b. Definition of vocabulary word: verb; to handle or use roughly
- c. How the words are connected: The word mallet and the word mauled both have to do with handling roughly; a mallet can be used to maul something

1. The word **crest** is from the Latin *crista* meaning "tuft; plume," perhaps related to the word for "hair."

- a. Which vocabulary word has this same root? \_\_\_\_\_
- b. Definition of vocabulary word: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
- c. How the words are connected: \_\_\_\_\_  
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2. The word **emaciate** comes from the Latin *emaciare*, meaning "to waste away," from *ex-*, meaning "out" + *macer*, meaning "thin"

- a. Which vocabulary word has this same root? \_\_\_\_\_
- b. Definition of vocabulary word: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
- c. How the words are connected: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

3. The word **versus** comes from the Latin *versus*, meaning "turned toward or against"

- a. Which vocabulary word has this same root? \_\_\_\_\_

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- b. Definition of vocabulary word: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
- c. How the words are connected: \_\_\_\_\_  
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4. The word **armor** comes from the Old French *arma*, meaning "weapons"
- a. Which vocabulary word has this same root? \_\_\_\_\_
- b. Definition of vocabulary word: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
- c. How the words are connected: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
5. The word **brute** comes from the Latin *brutus*, meaning "heavy; dull; stupid"
- a. Which vocabulary word has this same root? \_\_\_\_\_
- b. Definition of vocabulary word: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
- c. How the words are connected: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
6. The word **scorn** comes from the Old French *escarn*, meaning "mockery; derision; contempt"
- a. Which vocabulary word has this same root? \_\_\_\_\_
- b. Definition of vocabulary word: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
- c. How the words are connected: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
7. The word **lime** comes from the Old English *lim*, meaning "sticky substance"
- a. Which vocabulary word has this same root? \_\_\_\_\_
- b. Definition of vocabulary word: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
- c. How the words are connected: \_\_\_\_\_  
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8. The word **luff** comes from the Middle Dutch *loef*, meaning "windward side of a ship"

a. Which vocabulary word has this same root? \_\_\_\_\_

b. Definition of vocabulary word: \_\_\_\_\_

c. How the words are connected: \_\_\_\_\_

9. The word **fain** comes from the Old English *faegen*, meaning "happy" or "fair"

a. Which vocabulary word has this same root? \_\_\_\_\_

b. Definition of vocabulary word: \_\_\_\_\_

c. How the words are connected: \_\_\_\_\_

10. The word **prize** comes from the Latin *pretium*, meaning "to think over, consider"

a. Which vocabulary word has this same root? \_\_\_\_\_

b. Definition of vocabulary word: \_\_\_\_\_

c. How the words are connected: \_\_\_\_\_

11. The word **decent** comes from the Latin *dignus*, meaning "worthy"

a. Which vocabulary word has this same root? \_\_\_\_\_

b. Definition of vocabulary word: \_\_\_\_\_

c. How the words are connected: \_\_\_\_\_