Root # 1

tele

Example: I called my mom on the **telephone** to tell her all about my day.

Example: Kurt loved to look at distant stars with his new **telescope**.

Root # 2

auto

Example: I couldn't wait to go to the book signing to get an **autograph** from my favorite author.

Example: Once the plane reached 30,000 feet, the captain put it on **autopilot**.

Root # 3

bio

Example: I love reading **biographies** about all the former presidents.

Example: The **biologist** spent years studying the life cycle of mealworms.

Root # 4

graph/gram

Example: Kara's teacher asked her to write a **paragraph** about what it means to be caring.

Example: Mia loved looking at old **photographs** at her grandma's house

Root # 5

hydro/hydra

Example: The fire **hydrant** gushed water after the car ran into it.

Example: Becky ran six miles in the hot sun and didn't bring any water with her. She was so **dehydrated**.

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Root # 6

chron

Example: After reading the story Chrysanthemum, I put all the events from the story in **chronological** order.

Example: Matilda has **chronic** allergies, she constantly has itchy eyes and a runny noes.

Root # 7

tra/tran/trans

Example: The easiest way to **transport** the grand piano was to hire a semi truck to drive it from New York to Los Angeles

Example: Becky loved that one of her family's **traditions** was to go on a birthday scavenger hunt.

Root # 8

struct

Example: Matthew was **constructing** a huge tower out of Legos.

Example: The Willis Tower is one of the tallest manmade **structures** in the world.

Root # 9

path

Example: Seth felt like a pretty **pathetic** runner. He was the last runner to cross the finish line by almost 5 minutes.

Example: Bridgett had **empathy** for her friend, she knew exactly what it felt like to break a leg and have to use crutches.

Root # 10

mem

Example: Mary had a great **memory**. She knew all the birthdays of everyone in her extended family.

Example: Carl's family set up a **memorial** scholarship fund in honor of his life. They never wanted the community to forget how special he was.

Root # 11

spec/spect

Example: The **spectators** cheered loudly as Joey sprinted into the end zone to score the winning touchdown.

Example: John made sure to make his bed and put all his toys away. He knew his mom would come in to **inspect** his room.

Root # 12

phon

Example: Even with a **microphone**, it was hard to hear Anna give her speech.

Example: Mia loved learning about **homophones**. She thought it was so funny that words could be spelled differently but still sound the same.

Root # 13

ject

Example: Janie put her xylophone in the **reject** pile. She didn't play with it anymore and didn't mind throwing it away.

Example: "I **object**!" Yelled one of the lawyers in the middle of the trial.

Root # 14

therm

Example: Harry thought the **thermometer** might be broken. It indicated it was 105 degrees outside.

Example: Lindsay's mom put the soup for her lunch in a **thermos**, she wanted to make sure it was still warm at lunch.

Root # 15

rupt

Example: Everyone was on edge waiting for the volcano to **erupt**.

Example: Milo didn't want to **interrupt** the conversation so he just stood there silently.

Root # 16

scrib/script

Example: Penny **inscribed** a note to her sister before she gave her a new book for her birthday.

Example: After reading the **description** on the back of the book, Annie decided to go ahead and purchase it. She couldn't wait to read it.

Root # 17

mit/mis

Example: Ryan felt a sense of relief as soon as he hit **submit**. He was excited to have e-mailed his professor his final paper for the semester.

Example: Barb's car **emitted** a horrible black cloud. She knew she needed to get it fixed.

Root # 18

vac

Example: It took Brandon over an hour to **vacuum** up all the dog hair in his house.

Example: Kevin was hoping there was **vacancy** at the hotel they stopped at. They were tired of driving and ready to rest for the night.

Root # 19

cycl

Example: Fred wasn't able to ride his **bicycle** because it had a flat tire.

Example: Maggie loved learning about all the different life **cycles** in science class.

Root # 20

geo

Example: I love studying **geography**. I think it's fun to learn about maps and landforms.

Example: Kelly has a rock collection. She says she wants to be a **geologist** when she grows up.

Root # 21

ter/terra

Example: Max said the sandbox was his **territory** and his little brother couldn't play in it.

Example: Marco had never been to Arizona. He was surprised at how different the dessert **terrain** was compared to the mountains he grew up in.

Root # 22

astr/astro

Example: William always dreamed about becoming an **astronaut**. He thought it would be amazing to travel into space.

Example: Even though Tiffany loved science, she didn't particularly like **astronomy**. She wasn't that interested in outer space.

Root # 23

aud

Example: The **audience** was absolutely silent as they waited for the performance to begin.

Example: The director was excited to start **auditions** for the high school musical. He hoped a lot of kids would come try out for parts in the play.

Root # 24

tract

Example: The **tractor** pulled two wagons filled with corn into the elevator to unload and sell this year's harvest.

Example: David was **attracted** to sports cars. He loved how fast they went and he was excited to buy one.

Root # 25

grad/gred

Example: Kendra made sure she mixed the **ingredients** in the exact order the recipe said. This was the first time she was baking a pie by herself.

Example: The walk up the hill **gradually** got harder. Margo didn't expect it would be such a challenge.

Root # 26

jur/jud/jus

Example: Wilma loved being a **judge** for the annual pie baking contest. She enjoyed tasting all the pie and selecting a winner.

Example: Kimmy wanted **justice**. She didn't think it was fair she had to do the dishes, but her sister got to watch TV.

Root # 27

flect/flex

Example: After doing yoga for two weeks, Carrie was feeling so **flexible**.

Example: Erica loved staring at her **reflection** in the mirror.

Root # 28

form

Example: The marching band practiced the half time **formation** for weeks. They wanted it to be perfect for the homecoming game.

Example: Miss Miller loved to **transform** her classroom into a bright and creative space for learning.

Root # 29

port

Example: The United States **imports** a lot of goods from China.

Example: Brian loved how **portable** his laptop was. He took it with him everywhere.

Root # 30

photo

Example: Marla loved to spend hours in the dark room at school to develop **photographs** she had taken for her art class.

Example: A **photon** is a small particle of light.

Root # 31

dict

Example: Henry loved to make **predictions** about what was going to happen next in the book they were reading in class.

Example: Serena hired an assistant to help her write her next novel. She would **dictate** the story and her assistant would write it down.

Root # 32

vis / vid

Example: Gretta loved watching old home **videos** of her mom and dad when they were younger.

Example: Brittney knew her **vision** was getting bad when she had a hard time reading the menu at Burger King.

Root # 33

meter/metr

Example: Harley wasn't feeling well and her mom used a **thermometer** to take her temperature.

Example: The **metric** system is one system you can use to measure a variety of objects.

Root # 34

cred

Example: The internet isn't always a **credible** source for research. Sometimes websites contain inaccurate information.

Example: Mr. Williams reviewed the **credentials** of all the candidates. He wanted to make sure he hired the right person for the job.

Root # 35

ped/pod

Example: Spencer's feet flew off the **pedals** of his bike because he was trying to go too fast.

Example: Bethany wanted the video recording to be steady so she set up the camcorder on a **tripod**.

Root # 36

circum

Example: The **circumference** of the circle was 42 inches.

Example: Craig knew his **circumstances** were pretty bad when he realized he got a flat tire over 100 miles from the next town.

Root # 37

frac/frag

Example: Missy was so bummed when she **fractured** her tibia. She had never broken a bone before.

Example: Even weeks after the crash, there were still **fragments** of glass and metal along the side of the road.

Root # 38

cent

Example: The Robinsons were celebrating the fact that their family lived on the same farm for a **century**.

Example: Griffin tried to count all the legs on a **centipede**, but eventually gave up because they were so small.

Root # 39

liter

Example: Reggie was so excited for fourth grade because he would finally get to be in a **literature** circle.

Example: Macy loved reading poems with **alliteration** in them. She liked it when words began with the same letter.

Root # 40

typ

Example: Misty loved taking **typing** class. She knew it would help her to be able to type quickly.

Example: Rachel wanted to see a **prototype** of her new pool before they started to dig the hole.