

## WORD ROOTS

The following chart lists some common English word roots. These roots come from different source languages. For instance, the root acro comes from the Greek word acros, which means pointed, upper, top, or first. An example of an English word derived from this root is *acrobat*: an acrobat is a type of athlete who performs on the point of his or her toes. **Take a look at the following roots and meanings. Try to come up with a couple of extra examples for each one.**

<u>ROOT</u>	<u>MEANING</u>	<u>EXAMPLES</u>
ali	another	alien, _____
aud	hear, listen	audience, _____
bell	war	rebel, _____
bi	life	biography, _____
chron	time	chronic, _____
civ	citizen	civil, _____
curr	run	precursor, _____
dict	speak, say	dictate, _____
ero	love	erotic, _____
gam	marriage	polygamy, _____
graph	write	autograph, _____
homo	same	homogeneous, _____
imper	command	imperial, _____
ject	throw	reject, _____
labor	work	laboratory, _____
leg	law, legal	legal, _____
man	hand	manage, _____
nat	born	nature, _____

omni	all	omnipresent, _____
phil	fond, loving	philosophy, _____
quer	seek, ask	inquire, _____

## WORD ROOTS – REVIEW EXERCISE

Complete the chart by adding the missing information.

ROOT	MEANING	EXAMPLE
ali	_____	alias
_____	hear, listen	audience
bell	_____	rebellion
bi	life	_____
chron	_____	chronic
_____	citizen	civilization
curr	_____	currently
_____	speak, say	dictator
ero	_____	erotic
gam	_____	monogamy
graph	_____	autograph
homo	same	_____
imper	_____	imperialism
_____	throw	_____
labor	_____	_____
_____	law, legal	_____
man	_____	manager
_____	born	nature
omni	_____	omnipresent
phil	_____	philosophy
quer	seek, ask	_____