

Latin Roots

ab

Meaning: to move away

Examples: abstain, abduct

audi

Meaning: hear

Examples: audible, audience

bene

Meaning: good

Examples: beneficence, benefit

brev

Meaning: short

Examples: brevity, abbreviate

circ

Meaning: round

Examples: circumferential, circular

dict

Meaning: say

Examples: dictation, edict

duc

Meaning: lead, make

Examples: produce, educate

fund

Meaning: bottom

Examples: foundation, cofounder

gen

Meaning: birth, create

Examples: genetics, genesis, generation

hab

Meaning: to have

Examples: habitual, inhabit

jur

Meaning: law

Examples: jurisdiction, abjure, jury

lev

Meaning: to lift

Examples: elevate, levitation

log

Meaning: thought

Examples: analogy, illogical

luc, lum

Meaning: light

Examples: elucidate, illumination

manu, mani

Meaning: hand

Examples: manual, manicure

mis, mit

Meaning: send

Examples: transmission, dismiss, permit

pac

Meaning: peace

Examples: pacify

port

Meaning: carry

Examples: portable, export

qui

Meaning: silent

Examples: tranquil, acquit

scrib, script

Meaning: write

Examples: transcript, scripture, describe

sens

Meaning: to feel

Examples: sensation, resent

terr

Meaning: earth, land

Examples: terrain, territorial

tim

Meaning: fear

Examples: timid, timorous

vid, vis

Meaning: sight

Examples: video, vivid