**VOCABULARY 1 AFFIXES**

**AFFIX**: cide

**MEANING**: kill

**EXAMPLE**: homicide

**EXPLANATION**: The police were investigating a homicide.

This word contain 2 affixes homo and cide. A homicide is a murder of a person. Cide means kill and homo mean mankind or same, then the meaning is clear, kill mankind or kill same (someone like the killer).

**AFFIX**: gress:

**MEANING**: step; go

**EXAMPLE**: progress

**EXPLANATION**: The builders were making progress on the construction of the building.

If gress means step or go, then the meaning of progress must mean that the construction of the building continues to go (move forward).

**AFFIX**: cept:

**MEANING**: to take

**EXAMPLE**: perception

**EXPLANATION**: The psychic claimed to have ESP, extra sensory perception.

Cept means to take. A psychic claims to be able to connect with the information or ideas already inside your mind or the mind of others. Obviously, the psychic is able to take in information.

**AFFIX**: ped:

**MEANING**: foot; children

**EXAMPLE**: pediatrician

**EXPLANATION**: The pediatrician gave my daughter a physical exam.

In this sentence the daughter is clearly with a doctor. Both meanings of ped, foot and children, could work as a meaning. But usually when we take our daughter or son to a doctor, they are a child. So it’s easy to see that pediatrician is a doctor for children.

**AFFIX**: derm:

**MEANING**: skin

**EXAMPLE**: dermatologist

**EXPLANATION**: My acne is being treated by a dermatologist.

Acne is found on the body, face, arms, neck, back, etc., and if the acne is being treated by someone then that person must be a doctor. A doctor of what? Well, acne is on the skin, so this doctor is a doctor who treats skin.

**AFFIX**: homo:

**MEANING**: mankind, same

**EXAMPLE**: homophone

**EXPLANATION**: See and sea are homophones because they sound alike.

This is another word made up of 2 affixes. Homo and phone. Home means same or mankind. Since we’re talking about words, we can eliminate the meaning mankind and focus on same. Phone, which you’ll learn in another vocabulary list means sound (like a cell phone). If we put them together we get same sound.

**AFFIX**: pan:

**MEANING**: all

**EXAMPLE**: Pangea

**EXPLANATION**: When the Earth was new, there was only one continent, it was called Pangea.

If you look at a map of the world you can see that there are several continents that look like giant islands. When the Earth was new, there was one single continent. All continents were hooked together making one super island. If we think about Pangea, it must have contained all the land.

**AFFIX**: se:

**MEANING**: apart from

**EXAMPLE**: separate

**EXPLANATION**: The teacher had to separate the two girls who were arguing.

Think about it, if we let the two girls continue to argue, it may have escalated into a physical fight (punches, slaps). To separate them would be to move them apart from each other thus avoiding any physical contact and hopefully stopping the argument.