**VOCABULARY 3 AFFIXES**

**AFFIX**: phil

**MEANING**: love

**EXAMPLE**: Philadelphia

**EXPLANATION**: Philadelphia is the largest city in Pennsylvania.

Philadelphia is known as “The City of Brotherly Love.” If you can remember what its phrase is, you will always remember what “phil” means.

**AFFIX**: ora

**MEANING**: speech

**EXAMPLE**: orator

**EXPLANATION**: All people running for President need to be a good orator.

An orator must be able to stand in front of people and talk, or give a speech.

**AFFIX**: pote

**MEANING**: power

**EXAMPLE**: potent

**EXPLANATION**: The medicine was quite potent.

If the medicine was potent, it must have been strong. With strength you gain power.

**AFFIX**: viv/vit

**MEANING**: life

**EXAMPLE**: vivid

**EXPLANATION**: He painted a picture filled with vivid colors.

If the colors are vivid, then they give life to the piece of art. Books are filled with words that paint a vivid picture in your mind. Dreams that you remember when you wake up are considered vivid. They have all been given life.

**AFFIX**: photo

**MEANING**: light

**EXAMPLE**: photograph

**EXPLANATION**: She took a photograph of Shamu at Sea World.

In order to take a picture at night, you need to have a flash. A flash creates light so the subject of the photograph can be seen.

**AFFIX**: phono

**MEANING**: sound

**EXAMPLE**: cellphone

**EXPLANATION**: Everyone seems to be on the cellphone listening to music.

On a cellphone we are sometime talking to friends/family or we’re listening to music on an app. In order to hear them, they must have sound.

**AFFIX**: multi

**MEANING**: many

**EXAMPLE**: multiply

**EXPLANATION**: Rabbits are said to multiply, meaning they have a lot of babies.

When things multiply we have many of them.

**AFFIX**: sphere

**MEANING**: round; mass

**EXAMPLE**: atmosphere

**EXPLANATION**: If there was no atmosphere we wouldn’t be able to live on Earth.

The atmosphere surrounds the planet – it’s all around us. See how easy it is to determine spheres meaning?