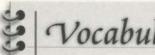
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Vocabulary Power

Lesson 6 Word Families

Word families are groups of words that contain the same roots or base words. Base words are roots that are complete words. The root or base word gives a word its main meaning. A prefix or suffix combined with the root or base word gives the word a different meaning. In this lesson, you'll learn words in the same word families.

Word List

consecrate desecrate

irrevocable moribund

revoke sacrilege

vocation vociferous

Class

immortality mortify

EXERCISE A Root and Base Words Sample dictionary definitions are provided. Look up each boldfaced word in a dictionary and write its meaning. Use the dictionary entry to underline the root or base word. Then, on the line provided, write a sentence using the word.

1.	sacrilege	Dictionary definition	sacrilege: offense against something sacred or holy
2.	desecrate	Dictionary definition	de <u>secr</u> ate: to violate the sacredness of something holy
3.	consecrate	Dictionary definition	con <u>secr</u> ate: to declare something sacred
4.	mortify	Dictionary definition	mortify: to cause someone to experience deep shame, to humiliate
5.	moribund	Dictionary definition	moribund: about to die, become obsolete
6.	immortality	Dictionary definition	im <u>mort</u> ality: endless life or existence, fame
7.	vocation	Dictionary definition	vocation: job for which a person is especially well suited, calling
8.	revoke	Dictionary definition	re <u>vok</u> e: to cancel or make invalid
9.	irrevocable	Dictionary definition	irrevocable: not able to be canceled or impossible to change
10.	vociferous	Dictionary definition	vociferous: noisy, offensively loud