



Vocabulary Power



Lesson 10 The Word Roots *mon* and *moni*, *noc* and *nox*

The Latin root *mon*, *moni* means "warn, remind, or advise." The Latin root *noc*, *nox* means "harm." The vocabulary words in this lesson all have one of these roots. The root part of a word carries the word's main meaning. In most of these words, a prefix (at the beginning) or suffix (at the end) has been added to the root word to modify its meaning. Many of the words are noun, adjective, and verb forms of the same idea, all based on the same Latin root part.

Word List

admonish	innocuous	nocuous	obnoxious
admonition	monitor	noxious	premonition
innocence	monitory		

EXERCISE A Word Roots

Write the root part of each boldfaced vocabulary word on the line provided. Then, look up the word in a dictionary and write its meaning.

- monitor moni
Dictionary definition to check, test, direct, or keep close watch over
- admonish moni
Dictionary definition to caution, remind, or give advice in a kindly manner
- admonition moni
Dictionary definition mild and kind advice or warning
- monitory moni
Dictionary definition containing a warning
- premonition moni
Dictionary definition a warning in advance, often as a vision of the future
- noxious nox
Dictionary definition harmful or injurious to living things or to their minds or behavior
- innocuous noc
Dictionary definition harmless, inoffensive
- innocence noc
Dictionary definition freedom from guilt, lack of sophistication
- obnoxious nox
Dictionary definition highly offensive

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10. noxious *noc*

Dictionary definition *harmful*