

# Lesson 1: Words about Language

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Honors

- **Notable Prefixes, Roots, and Suffixes:**
- Para – alongside (Greek)
- Paraprofessional, parallel, paradox, paralegal
- Philo – love (Greek)
- Philosophy, philanthropy, Anglophile
- Syn – together (Greek)
- Synonym, syndicate, synthetic

# The Main 6: How will you remember them?

- Inflection
- Paradigm
- Rejoinder
- Rhetoric
- Succinct
- Syntax

## **Suggestions:**

Mark these as the six to know best.

Annotate the definitions with hints, examples, sketches.

Write your own sample sentences.

Try to use each of these today, in a conversation or in writing.

# The Other 4: How will you remember them?

- Cognate
- Orthography
- Philology
- Phonology

## **Suggestions:**

1. Mark these as the 4 to recognize and remember.
2. Annotate the book with examples and hints.
3. Pay especial attention to etymology – how can knowing prefixes, roots, and suffixes help you?
4. Quiz yourself over these each day.

# Derivatives

- When the bell rings (or before), turn in page 3.
- Then start working on “Write the Derivatives” on pp. 5-6.

Pick 1 from each category. Use it in an original sentence. Keep it clean, school-appropriate, and concise. Proofread for mechanics. Use ink.

- A. Inflection, paradigm, rejoinder
- B. Rhetoric, syntax, succinct
- C. cognate, orthography, philology, phonology
- **CHALLENGE:**
  - Also, use the following somewhere in your sentences (just once).
  - had had (I had had an idea...)
  - **OR**
  - will have been (She will have been coaching...)

Extra Help/ Review: Fill in the blank with the best word. (See answers on later slide.)

- 1. Emojis are a relatively new addition to our \_\_\_\_\_. 😊
- 2. In Chinese, the wrong \_\_ can change a word drastically; those learning the language inadvertently insult people by raising or lowering their voices inappropriately.
- 3. Visiting another country or spending time with those from another culture may affect one's entire \_\_\_\_\_.
- 4. Warranty and guarantee are \_\_\_\_\_, coming from the same Old German word for protect.
- 5. While I agree with her ideas, I was offended by her \_\_\_\_\_.

Extra Help/ Review: Fill in the blank with the best word. (See answers on later slide.)

- 6. The creators of Star Trek came up with an entire \_\_\_ for fictional languages like Romulan and Vulcan. They had to decide how harsh or musical to make each language sound.
- 7. If your teacher says your essay is wordy, revise it to be more \_\_\_.
- 8. His quick \_\_\_ to the teacher's question made the class laugh.
- 9. The \_\_\_ in a story may change to effect a sense of urgency.
- 10. A \_\_\_ could tell you if English is changing faster now than it did a hundred years ago.

# Answer Key, p. 1

- 1. Emojis are a relatively new addition to our **orthography**. 😊
- 2. In Chinese, the wrong **inflection** can change a word drastically; those learning the language inadvertently insult people by raising or lowering their voices inappropriately.
- 3. Visiting another country or spending time with those from another culture may affect one's entire **paradigm**.
- 4. Warranty and guarantee are **cognates**, coming from the same Old German word for protect.
- 5. While I agree with her ideas, I was offended by her **rhetoric**.



## Answer Key, p. 2

- 6. The creators of Star Trek came up with an entire **phonology** for fictional languages like Romulan and Vulcan. They had to decide how harsh or musical to make each language sound.
- 7. If your teacher says your essay is wordy, revise it to be more **succinct**.
- 8. His quick **rejoinder** to the teacher's question made the class laugh.
- 9. The **syntax** in a story may change to effect a sense of urgency.
- 10. A **philologist** could tell you if English is changing faster now than it did a hundred years ago.