

Vocabulary/Spelling #11

REMEMBER TO REFER BACK TO LISTS #1-10

I. Work with the stems below. Find three more words that contain this stem and that don't appear in this worksheet. You will need to memorize the meaning of each stem for Friday's test.

1. **eu** (Greek) GOOD: The **euphony** of Mozart's beautiful music carried us away.

2. **endo** (Greek) WITHIN: Human beings have **endoskeletons**, not exoskeletons like insects.

3. **phobia** (Greek) FEAR: The trembling dog on the twenty-third floor has **acrophobia**.

4. **ortho** (Greek) STRAIGHT: The **orthodontist** straightened Count Dracula's fangs.

5. **put** (Latin) THINK: The **computer** hummed once and exploded.

6. **ver** (Latin) TRUE: We questioned the **veracity** of the doctor's strange and unbelievable story.

7. **matri** (Latin) MOTHER: It depends on the level of **matriarchy** in one's home.

8. **mega** (Greek) LARGE: The massive granite **megalith** towered over the ancient ruins.

9. **pop** (Latin) PEOPLE: The **populist** candidate, a favorite of the voters, won the lunar colony primary.

10. **sangui** (Latin) BLOOD: The massed armies joined in **sanguinary** combat.

II. Answer the following questions and explain your reasoning.

1. Would you like to have your **veracity** questioned?

2. Does a **megalomaniac** feel inadequate?

3. By definition, are **computers** intelligent?

4. Which stem on this week's list is the most interesting? Why?

5. How would life be different if we had an exoskeleton instead of an **endoskeleton**?

6. Guess the meaning of the following words: **polymorphously**, **magnanimous**, **acrophobia**, **benediction**, and **matriarch**.

7. A hero in a comic book saves a population from devastation. His performance is marked by **sangfroid** and self-discipline. What evil threatened the society?

8. What are the most **euphonic** sounds, man-made or otherwise, on this planet?

III. Analogies:

1. microbiotic : euglena ::

immense : galaxy
small : large
life : inanimate
corpuscle : blood

2. xenophobia : agoraphobia ::

magnum opus : claustrophobia
space : vacuum
stranger : sangfroid
stranger : open space

From The Word Within the Word by Michael Clay Thompson (Royal Fireworks Press 2003). The workbook is available for you to check out.