It's Greek to Me…

Greek Alphabet and Contributions to language

The Greek Alphabet

A	B	Γ	Δ	E	Z
Alpha (al-fah)	**Beta** (bay-tah)	**Gamma** (gam-ah)	**Delta** (del-ta)	**Epsilon** (ep-si-lon)	**Zeta** (zay-tah)
H	Θ	I	K	Λ	M
Eta (ay-tah)	**Theta** (thay-tah)	**Iota** (eye-o-tah)	**Kappa** (cap-pah)	**Lambda** (lamb-dah)	**Mu** (mew)
N	Ξ	O	Π	P	Σ
Nu (new)	**Xi** (zie)	**Omicron** (om-e-cron)	**Pi** (pie)	**Rho** (roe)	**Sigma** (sig-mah)
T	Y	Φ	X	Ψ	Ω
Tau (taw)	**Upsilon** (up-si-lon)	**Phi** (fie)	**Chi** (kie)	**Psi** (sigh)	**Omega** (oh-may-gah)

Greek Prefixes

- **acro-**
- Auto-
- Dys-
- Hemi-
- Hyper-
- Mirco-
- Neo-
- Pseudo-
- Geo-

- "top" <u>Acro</u>bat
- "self" <u>auto</u>mobile
- "bad" dysfunctional
- "half" hemisphere
- "in excess" hyperactive
- "small" microscope
- "new" neoclassical
- "false"- pseudonym
- "earth" - geography

Greek Root Words

- -anthrop- "human" misanthrope, philanthropy, anthropomorphic
- chron- "time" chronicle, synchronize, chronometer
- dem- "people" democracy, demography, demagogue, endemic, pandemic
- morph- "form" amorphous, metamorphic, morphology
- path- "feeling, suffering" empathy, sympathy, apathy,
- Ped, pedo- "child, children" pediatrician,
- philo-, -phil-"having a strong affinity or love" philanthropy, philharmonic, philosophy
- phon- "sound" polyphonic, cacophony, phonetics

Greek Suffixes

- **Greek root Basic meaning Example**
- anthrop ”human” anthropology
- chron-”time” chronometer
- dem-people democracy, demography,
- path-feeling, sufferingempathy, sympathy,
- pedo-, -ped-child, children pediatrician, pphilo-, -phil-having a strong affinity or love philosophy
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Greek Number Forms

- Bi-
- Tri-
- Terta-
- Penta-
- Hexa-
- Hepta-
- Octo-
- Deca-
- Kilo-

- "two" Bipolar
- "three" triangle
- "four" tetrameter
- "five" Pentagon
- "six" hexagram
- "seven" heptagon
- "eight" octagon
- "ten" decagram
- "thousand" kilogram