

Unit 8

mand, min, neg, orig, trib

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Seize the Day!

Read the clues. The Latin root is hidden within the clues. Look for the word parts that are the same in the boldface words.



1. Latin root for *beginning*. The **origin** of a river might be a spring high up in the mountains. An **original** story is completely new, not copied or based on something else. The first or native people of a place are **aboriginal** tribes.

Latin root for *beginning*: _____
5



2. Latin root for *no*. A **negative** answer to a question is “no.” To **renege** on a promise is to go back on your word and not do what you promised to do. A **renegade** is someone who chooses not to follow the laws and customs of a group or society.

Latin root for *no*: _____
3



3. Latin root for *small* or *less*. The **minimum** is the least amount. A **minor** is a person younger than 18 and not considered an adult. **Minus** is the mathematical operation of taking away, resulting in less. To **minimize** is to reduce or make smaller.

Latin root for *small* or *less*: _____
6



4. Latin root for *order*. Soldiers follow the **commands** of their officers. To **demand** is to order someone to do something. Something that is **mandatory** is something that must be done.

Latin root for *order*: _____
1 4



5. Latin root for *give*. To **contribute** is to give of your time or money to a cause or effort. To **distribute** is to give to others something they need. A **tributary** is a river that flows into or gives its water, to a larger river.

Latin root for *give*: _____
2

BONUS Write the numbered letters in the spaces below to spell out the Latin maxim that means “seize the day.”

C _____ P _____
1 2 3 4 5 3 6

What does this maxim mean to you?

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Root Crossword Puzzle

Read the clues. Use the roots in the box below and what you know about them to complete the puzzle.

LATIN ROOTS *orig, neg, min, mand, trib*

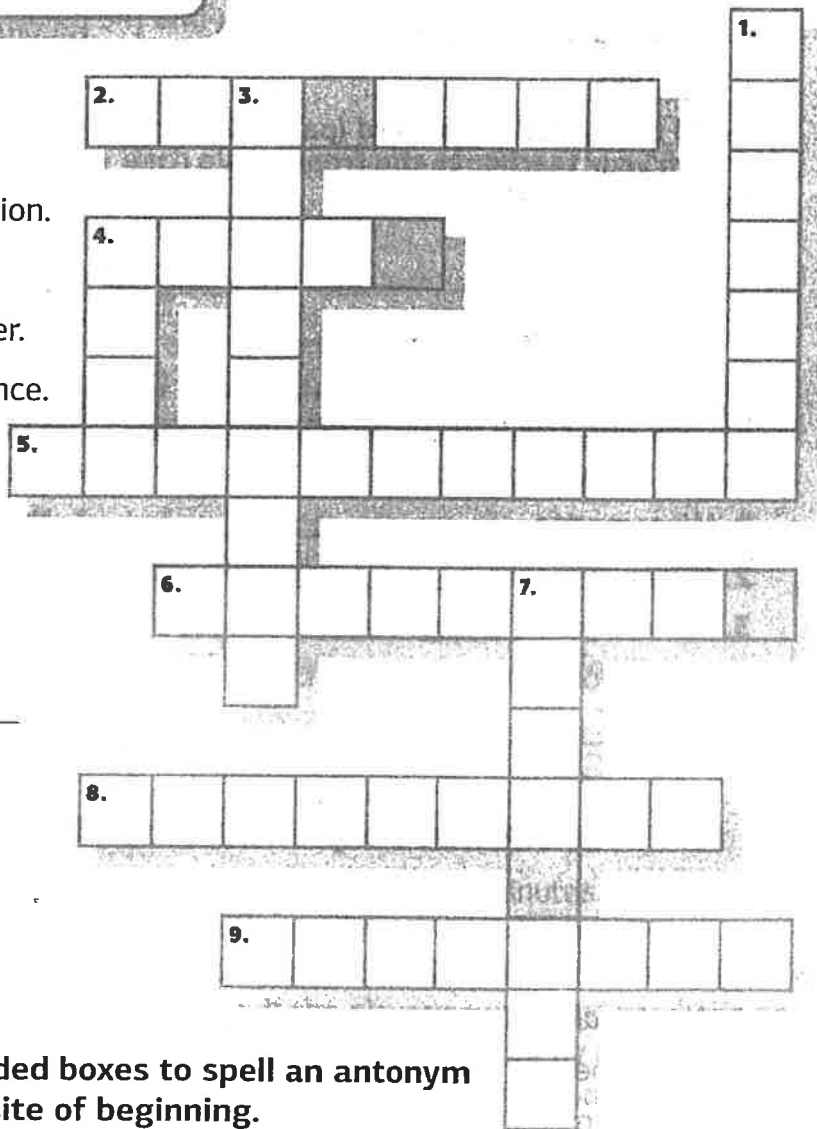
CLUES

ACROSS

- 2. The leader _____ your attention.
- 4. League before the majors
- 5. She _____ cards to each player.
- 6. Many fairy tales _____ in France.
- 8. The Ohio River is a _____ of the Mississippi River.
- 9. I have a poster, but the _____ hangs in the museum.

DOWN

- 1. His vote against the rule _____ her vote for it.
- 3. English and math are _____ courses.
- 4. The _____ desserts are just a single bite.
- 7. The opposite of positive



Unscramble the letters in the shaded boxes to spell an antonym for the root that means the opposite of beginning.

_____ means _____.

Write the mystery root to complete the sentence.

The ex_____inator sprayed for bugs.

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Word Cards



- ▶ Complete the word cards.
- ▶ Cut them out and tape or staple them to index cards.
- ▶ On the back, illustrate one word for each root.
- ▶ Add the Root Picture Card (page 62) from your teacher to the front or back of the card.

LATIN ROOT *mand*

Means _____

Words I know with *mand*:

1. *Command* means _____
2. *Mandatory* means _____
3. *Demand* means _____
4. Other words I know with *mand*:

LATIN ROOT *min*

Means _____

Words I know with *min*:

1. *Minor* means _____
2. *Minimum* means _____
3. *Minus* means _____
4. Other words I know with *min*:

LATIN ROOT *neg*

Means _____

Words I know with *neg*:

1. *Negative* means _____
2. *Renegade* means _____
3. *Renegade* means _____
4. Other words I know with *neg*:

LATIN ROOT *orig*

Means _____

Words I know with *orig*:

1. *Aboriginal* means _____
2. *Origin* means _____
3. *Original* means _____
4. Other words I know with *orig*:

LATIN ROOT *trib*

Means _____

Words I know with *trib*:

1. *Contribute* means _____
2. *Distribute* means _____
3. *Tributary* means _____
4. Other words I know with *trib*:
