

Unit 9: Descriptions**49. -acious, -icious**

- a. delicious
- b. malicious
- c. conscious

full of

(*dell*, taste + *-icious*, full of)

Highly pleasing to the senses, esp. of taste or smell.

(*mal*, bad + *-icious*, full of)

Full of the desire to hurt others or see them suffer.

(*con-* with it + *-cious*, full of)

Having an awareness of one's environment and existence.

Latin**50. aristo**

- a. aristocracy
- b. aristocrat
- c. Aristotle

best

(*aristo*, best + *crac*, government + *-y*, state or quality of)

A hereditary ruling class; nobility.

(*aristo*, best + *crat*, a member of government)

A member of a ruling class or of the nobility.

(from *aristo*, best)

Greek philosopher who studied under Plato and tutored Alexander the Great.

Greek**51. bath(o)(y)**

- a. bathometer
- b. batholith
- c. bathymetry

deep

(*batho*, deep + *meter*, to measure)

An instrument used to measure the depth of water.

(*batho*, deep + *lith*, rock)

A mass of rock that has melted and intruded upon other rock layers.

(*bathy*, deep + *metr*, to measure + *-y*, state or quality of)

Measurement of the depth of large bodies of water.

Greek**52. calli**

- a. calligraphy
- b. calliope
- c. calisthenics

beautiful

(*calli*, beautiful + *graph*, to write + *-y*, state or quality of)

The art of fine handwriting.

(*calli*, beautiful + *op-*, voice)

A musical instrument fitted with steam whistles. The Muse of epic poetry (Calliope).

(*calli*, beautiful + *sthenos*, strength + *-ic*, like or related to)

Gymnastic exercises designed to develop muscular tone and promote physical well-being.

Greek**53. met(a)**

- a. metachromatism
- b. metabolism
- c. metamorphosis

beyond, higher, later

(*meta*, beyond + *chromat*, color + *-ism*, condition)

A change in color caused by variation of the physical conditions to which a body is subjected, esp. a change caused by variation in temperature.

(*meta*, later + *ballein*, to throw + *-ism*, condition)

The complex processes occurring within a living cell or organism that are necessary for the maintenance of life.

(*meta*, beyond + *morph*, change + *-osis*, condition of)

A change in appearance, character, condition, or function.

Greek**54. dign(i)**

- a. dignity
- b. dignify
- c. dignitary

worthy

(*dign*, worthy + *-ity*, state or quality of)

Deserving esteem or respect.

(*digni*, worthy + *-y*, state or quality of)

To give distinction to; to confer honor on.

(*digni*, worthy + *-ary*, place for, relating to, producing)

A person of high rank or position.

Latin