

Skills: Roots and Affixes

Complete a Chart

In each box in the right column, fill in the term that matches the definition or explanation shown in the box to the left.

A word to which affixes can be added, but also a word in its own right.	base word
Related words that share the same roots and bases	
A base element that conveys meaning but cannot typically stand alone.	
An affix that comes before a base word or root.	
An affix that comes after a base word or root.	

Guided Reading

As you read the Model about using common Greek and Latin roots and affixes to determine the meanings of words in "Outliers," respond to these questions.

- The Latin root *-collega-* means "_____ in office."
- According to the Model, the colleagues in "Outliers" are in the same _____.
- Ericsson and his colleagues are _____ who worked on the same _____.
- The Model confirms the meaning of *colleagues* by using _____ and the _____.
- The Greek root *-psycho-* means "_____ " and the suffix *-ist* means "_____ "

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- Based on the root and the suffix, *psychologist* must mean "one who either _____ or _____ the soul or spirit of a person."
- The Model says that psychologists look inside an individual—into their spirit or soul—to see what makes them "tick," or _____ the way they do.
- The dictionary verifies that *psychologist* means "one who engages in the _____ study of the human _____ and its functions, especially those affecting _____ "