

Vocabulary Power Plus for the ACT
Lesson 1 -- Assignment 3

Name _____
Hour _____

Roots, Prefixes, and Suffixes

Directions: Use the information in the chart below to help you answer the questions.
You don't have to add anything to the chart. 😊

Prefix	Root Word	Suffix	Meaning	Example
added to the beginning of a word	a base word that prefixes and suffixes can be added to	added to the end of a word		
	fus		melt	fuse
	fun		pour out	funnel
	grad, gres		step, go	graduate, progress
		-ion	the act of	graduation
		-el	little	tunnel
con-			together	congregation
di-, dif-, dis-			apart	different, disorganized
e-			out, from	egress

1. Come up with your own definitions for the following words. They don't need to be dictionary-perfect. Just use the chart above to make a guess about what each word means.

- (a) fusion _____
- (b) funnel _____
- (c) infuse _____
- (d) regress _____
- (e) progress _____
- (f) congress _____

Directions: Use the word bank below to fill in the blanks for each statement.

going out grader pours out regressed diffuse gradual

- 2. If you have an **effusive** personality, then it _____ of you.
Motor oil will _____ across the gravel if it spills out of the can.
- 3. A step-by-step process is often called a(n) _____ process.
A highway crew might use a(n) _____ to smooth out a road.
- 4. **Egress** literally means _____. If someone loses a high-paying job and takes a lower-paying job, his or her career is said to have _____.