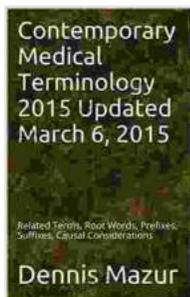


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Root Words

A root word is the core meaning of a word. It is the part of the word that remains unchanged when different prefixes and suffixes are added. For example, the root word "scribe" means "to write". The words "subscribe", "inscribe", and "transcribe" all have the same root word, but each has a different prefix or suffix that modifies its meaning.



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- **Scribe:** to write

- **Subscribe:** to write under
- **Inscribe:** to write on
- **Transcribe:** to write across

Prefixes

A prefix is a letter or group of letters that is added to the beginning of a word. Prefixes can change the meaning of a word, often in a negative way. For example, the prefix "un-" means "not". The word "happy" means "joyful", but the word "unhappy" means "not joyful".

- **Un-:** not
- **In-:** not
- **Im-:** not
- **Dis-:** not

Suffixes

A suffix is a letter or group of letters that is added to the end of a word. Suffixes can change the part of speech of a word, as well as its meaning. For example, the suffix "-ly" means "in a manner". The word "quick" means "fast", but the word "quickly" means "in a fast manner".

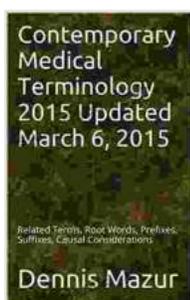
- **-ly:** in a manner
- **-ment:** a state or condition
- **-tion:** a state or action
- **-ity:** a quality or state

Causal Considerations

When it comes to understanding related terms, it is also important to consider causal relationships. A causal relationship is a relationship between two events, in which one event (the cause) leads to the other event (the effect). For example, the cause of a fire is the ignition of a flammable material. The effect of a fire is the burning of the material.

- **Cause:** the event that leads to another event
- **Effect:** the event that is caused by another event

By understanding related terms, you can not only improve your vocabulary, but also gain a deeper understanding of the world around you. By breaking down words into their component parts, you can see how they are connected and how they work together to create meaning.



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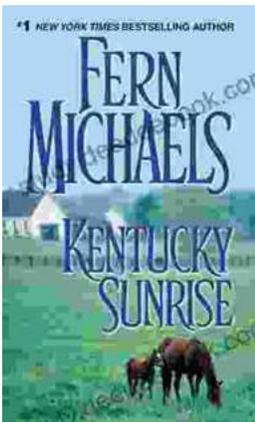
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