

Lesson 32: Latin Roots *-scrib-/-script-, -spect-*

Spelling Words

1. *inspect* _____
2. *suspect* _____
3. *scribe* _____
4. *script* _____
5. *descriptive* _____
6. *description* _____
7. *prescribed* _____
8. *inspector* _____
9. *spectacle* _____
10. *spectacular* _____
11. *scribbled* _____
12. *inscription* _____
13. *subscription* _____
14. *spectrum* _____
15. *spectators* _____
16. *transcripts* _____

Your Own Words

Look for other words based on these Latin roots. You might see the words *manuscript* and *subscribe* in the front pages of a magazine. In writing about manners, you might use the word *respectful*.

17. _____
18. _____
19. _____
20. _____

Each Spelling Word has a Latin root. The root *-scrib-* or *-script-* comes from a Latin word meaning "to write." The root *-spect-* comes from a Latin word meaning "to look at."

Sort the words in a way that will help you remember them. An example word is given for each list.

**-SCRIB- OR
-SCRIPT-
inscribe**

**-SPECT-
respectable**

When prefixes or suffixes are added to the Latin roots *-scrib-* or *-script-* and *-spect-*, the spelling of the root often remains the same.

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SPELLING CLUES: Comparing Spellings When you are unsure of how a word is spelled, write the word in each of the two or three ways you think it might be spelled. Then decide which spelling looks right to you.

Look at the three possible spellings for each word. Write the spelling that looks correct.

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| 1. scribbled | 3. inspector | 5. transcripts |
| scribled | inspeckter | transkripts |
| skribbled | inspector | transcribts |
| 2. suspecked | 4. subscription | 6. discription |
| suspect | supscription | description |
| suspekt | subscription | describition |

PROOFREADING 7–12. Proofread the list of hints for travel. Circle the misspelled words. Then write each word correctly.

How to Get the Most out of Foreign Travel

- Read descriptive articles about buildings and monuments.
- Read the description of the inscription on a historic landmark.
- Enjoy spectacular views of scenery.
- At sporting events, watch how spectators behave.
- Take along the medicine the doctor prescribed.
- Carefully inspect any gifts before you buy them.

FUN WITH WORDS Write Spelling Words to match the descriptions.

13. If there were no typewriters and no computers, you might hire this person to write something for you.
14. An actor studies this to learn a role.
15. It's an event that's really something to see. You might describe it as an embarrassment, an extravaganza, or a contest.
16. This is what we call all the colors the eye can see.

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