

Exercises

I. *Directions:* Match each definition to the word part it defines.

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| _____ 1. di- | a. backward |
| _____ 2. -gen- | b. written, drawn |
| _____ 3. -graph | c. two |
| _____ 4. homo- | d. race or kind |
| _____ 5. retro- | e. same |

II. *Directions:* Selecting from *di-*, *-gen-*, *-graph-*, *homo-*, and *retro-*, write the proper word part in each blanks so that the appropriate word is formed.

1. The holocaust is the largest case of _____ ocide in the history of mankind, as roughly six million Jews were killed.
2. That group is totally _____ genous, as all of the people in it are pretty similar.
3. The issue was considered to be a real _____ chotomy; on the one hand, it was practical and made sense, but on the other, it was an awful idea.
4. He worked hard to _____ fit the piece onto the older car.
5. Ancient tribes sometimes used picto_____ s to tell their stories and their history, since they didn't yet have written language.

? loose/lose

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- ? 1. I always _____ in chess to my brother.
- ? 2. These pants are very _____, so I need a belt.

III: *Directions:* Write X before the sentence if the word part retains the meaning it had in the previous exercises, O if it does not.

_____ 1. Each *generation* has characteristics that set it apart from other ones.

_____ 2. I lost a *dime* through a hole in my pocket.

_____ 3. *Homosexuals* are people who are attracted to people of the same sex.

_____ 4. The planet Saturn is *retrograde* this week.

_____ 5. My brother is learning how to make a *lithograph* in school.

IV: *Directions:* Using the word parts that you have learned, think of five words that were not used in this lesson. Then, write that word and its definition in a complete sentence.

Example: retro- A **retronym** is a term consisting of a noun and modifier which specifies the original meaning of a noun.

1. di- _____

2. -gen- _____

3. -graph _____

4. homo- _____

5. retro- _____

? 1. *loose* means that something does not fit snugly or is not tight.

? 2. *lose* is a verb that means the opposite of win.