Chapter 4

Principal Word Parts

Combining Forms

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| Aer(o) | Air or gas |
| Cellul(o) | Little cell or compartment |
| Chlor(o) | Green |
| Chrom(o) | Color |
| Coagul(o) | Coagulation |
| Cyt(o) | Cell |
| Erythr(o) | Red |
| Fibrin(o) | Fibrin |
| Hem(a), hem(o), hemat(o) | Blood |
| Hemoglobin(o) | Hemoglobin |
| Hydr(o) | Water |
| Immune(o) | Immunity |
| Is(o) | Equal |
| Kary(o), nucle(o) | Nucleus |
| Leuk(o) | White |
| Log(o) | Words or study |
| Lys(o) | Destruction or dissolving |
| Macro(o), megal(o) | Large or enlarged |
| Melan(o) | Black |
| Micr(o) | Small |
| Morph(o) | Shape; form |
| Muc(o) | Mucus |
| Norm(o) | Normal |
| Phag(o) | To eat |
| Phil(o) | Attraction |
| Poikil(o) | Irregular |
| Scop(o) | To view or examine |
| Spher(o) | Round |
| Thromb(o) | Thrombus; clot |
| Vascul(o) | Vessel |
| Xanth(o) | yellow |

Prefixes

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| a- | No, not, or without |
| Extra- | Outside |
| Hyper- | Excessive; more than normal |
| Hypo- | Beneath; below normal |
| Inter- | Between |
| Intra- | Within |
| Poly- | Many |
| Trans- | across |

Suffixes

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| -ant | That which causes |
| -ar | Pertaining to; to cause an action or the result of an action |
| -cyte | Cell |
| -ectomy | Removal of; excision |
| -emia | Blood |
| -lysin | Substance that dissolves or destroys |
| -lysis | Destruction |
| -lytic | Capable of destroying |
| -oid | Like or resembling |
| -opia | Vision |
| -ous | Pertaining to or characterized by |
| -penia | Decreased; deficient |
| -phylaxis | Protection |
| -poiesis | Production |
| -poietin | That which causes production |
| -scope | Instrument used to view or examine |
| -scopy | Viewing |
| -tic | Pertaining to |
| -y | State or condition |