

Parent Guide to the '

# Greek and Latin Roots

### Today's Standard

8.L.4b - Use common, grade-appropriate Greek or Latin affixes and roots as clues to the meaning of a word (e.g., precede, recede, secede).

## Real-World Applications for this Standard

Understanding medical terminology; Decoding scientific vocabulary; Enhancing vocabulary for standardized tests; Interpreting historical texts; Improving reading comprehension

#### Today I Learned

Today, we learned about Greek and Latin roots and affixes. These are parts of words that help us understand what they mean.

#### **Common Stumbling Blocks**

Sometimes, kids think that all words with the same parts mean the same thing. But that's not true. Also, some kids think these word parts aren't used today, but they are!

#### Quiz Me

- What is a root?
- What is an affix?
- Can you name a word with 'pre' in it?
- Why are roots important?
- What does 'recede' mean?

#### Help Me

Understanding Greek and Latin roots helps us figure out what words mean. For example, 'pre' means before, so 'precede' means to go before. This helps us in reading and understanding many different subjects.