

NOVA High School
VOCABULARY WORD OF THE DAY 2011/2012
Second Semester

Word Part for the week of January 30, 2012

ANTI

Derived from Greek

Definition: against; opposite

- 1/30/12 **ANTISEPTIC** (Adj.)-an-tuh-sep-tik- free from or cleaned of germs and other microorganisms
You should use an **antiseptic** cream on a wound because it will kill all the germs.
- 1/31/12 **ANTIBIOTIC** (Noun) -an-ti-bahy-ot-ik- a chemical substance that can kill microorganisms and cure bacterial infections
The doctor prescribed **antibiotics** to help the patient fight against the bacterial infection.
- 2/1/12 **ANTICRIME** (Adj.)- äntē-krīme- intended to curb or eradicate criminal activity
The **anticrime** task force also known as “Operation Grinch Busters” arrested 159 people during the holiday season.
- 2/2/12 **ANTISOCIAL** (Adj)- an-tee-soh-shuhl - shunning contact with others, hostile to or disruptive against normal standards of social behavior
Criminal behavior or conduct that violates the rights of other individuals is **antisocial**.
- 2/3/12 **ANTIPERSPERANT** (Adj)- an-ti-pur-sper-uh nt - reducing or preventing perspiration
Antiperspirants are most effective when applied twice daily, especially at night.

Word Part for the week of February 6, 2012

A/AN

Derived from Greek

Definition: absence of, without, lack of, not

- 2/6/12 **AMORAL** (Adj.) - ey-mawr-uh l- having no moral standards, restraints, or principles; unaware of or indifferent to questions of right or wrong
The actor said he believed all big business was **amoral**, including the movie industry, as it was driven only by profit.
- 2/7/12 **ABLEPSIA** (Noun) - əblep'sē-ə- loss of sight; literally, not seeing, blindness
A trained Seeing Eye dog is useful if a person suffers from **ablepsia**.
- 2/8/12 **ACOREA** (Noun) - a-co-re'a - absence of the pupil in an eye
The congenital **acoreia** of the left eye pupil could not be corrected by surgery.

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2/9/12 **ANOMALOUS** (Adj.) - uh-nom-uh-luh s - a deviation from the common rule, type, arrangement, or form
When on vacation in the tropics, her brother watched in amazement as an **anomalous** species of fish crawled out of the water and along the ground over to a different pond.

2/10/12 **APHOTIC** (Adj.)- ey-foh-tik- lacking light; especially not reached by sunlight
The remote controlled camera was able to explore the **aphotic** depths of the ocean, looking for rare life forms.

Word Part for the week of February 13, 2012

DE

Derived from Latin

Definition: from;reduce;opposite

2/13/12 **DEFROST** (V.)- dih-frawst- to remove the frost or ice from; free of accumulated ice
She opened the door to let the fridge **defrost**.

2/14/12 **DETHRONE** (V.)- dee-throhn- remove (a monarch) from power; remove from a position of authority or dominance
The **dethroned** Emperor was walking, in a reverie, his hands crossed behind his back.

2/15/12 **DEHYDRATION** (N.)- dee-hahy-drey-shuh n- dryness resulting from the removal of water
Cholera is caused by a bacteria found in contaminated water or food, and can kill people within hours through **dehydration**.

2/16/12 **DERAILED** (V.)- dee-reyl- run off or leave the rails; cause to run off the tracks
The train **derailed** because a cow was standing on the tracks.

2/17/12 **DEACTIVATE** (V.)- dee-ak-tuh-veyt- to cause to be inactive; remove the effectiveness of; remove from active military status or reassign
One week ago, my entire Google account was **deactivated** suddenly and without warning.

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Word Part for the week of February 20, 2012

SUB

Derived from Latin

Definition: under, beneath; of lesser importance

- 2/20/12 **NO SCHOOL**
- 2/21/12 **SUBMARINE** (Adj.) -suhb-muh-reen-situated, occurring, operating, or living under the surface of the sea
A **submarine** is a military ship that goes under the water.
- 2/22/12 **SUBLIMINAL** (Adj) - suhb-lim-uh-nl-existing or operating below the threshold of consciousness
Your brain can receive information through **subliminal** messages.
- 2/23/12 **SUBCONSCIOUS** (Adj.)- suhb-kon-shuh s- concerning the part of the mind of which one is not fully aware but which influences one's actions and feelings
Humans also excel at forming patterns and making connections because the **subconscious** mind likes closure.
- 2/24/12 **SUBSTANDARD** (Adj.)- suhb-stan-derd - below the usual or required standard
A great teacher will reject **substandard** work without hesitation.

Word Part for the week of February 27, 2012

RE

Derived from Latin

Definition: back, again, restore

- 2/27/12 **REFINISH** (V.)- ree-fin-ish- to give a new surface to
They spent an additional \$40,000 remodeling the kitchen, **refinishing** floors and taking down walls to create a living room/den combination.
- 2/28/12 **REPLENISH** (V.)- ri-plen-ish- fill something that had previously been emptied; restore (a stock or supply) to a former level or condition
All creatures need sleep to **replenish** their energies.
- 2/29/12 **RECALL**(V.)- ri-kawl- bring (a fact, event, or situation) back into one's mind; remember
She can vaguely **recall** being taken to the hospital after the fatal car accident.
- 3/1/12 **WOD TEST #5**
- 3/2/12 **WOD TEST #5**

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Word Part for the week of MARCH 5, 2012

MONO

Derived from Greek

Definition: one, alone, single

- 3/5/12 **MONOPLANE** (V.) - mon-uh-pleyn- an airplane with one main sustaining surface or one set of wings
A **monoplane** is a fixed-wing aircraft with one main set of wing surfaces, since the late 1930s it has been the most common form for a fixed wing aircraft.
- 3/6/12 **MONOTONE** (V)- mon-uh-tohn- a single tone without harmony or variation in pitch
A continuous sound, especially someone's voice, that doesn't rise and fall in pitch, is a **monotone**.
- 3/7/12 **MONOSYLLABLE** (N)-mon-uh-sil-uh-buh l- a word or utterance of one syllable
He answered many questions in **monosyllables** and left long pauses before giving short replies.
- 3/8/12 **MONORAIL**(N.)- mon-uh-reyl- a railway in which the track consists of a single rail
The **monorail** at Walt Disney World got a “Tron: Legacy” makeover last summer.
- 3/9/12 **MONOPOLY** ()- - one person owning all the goods
The government passed laws intended to break up **monopolies**.

MARCH 12, 2012 –MARCH 16, 2012
SPRING BREAK- NO SCHOOL

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Word Part for the week of MARCH 19, 2012

MULTI

Derived from Latin

Definition: many

- 3/19/12 **MULTIMEDIA** (N)- muhl-tee-mee-dee-uh- transmission that combine media of communication (text and graphics and sound etc.)
Robert Ashley, a veteran composer chiefly known for an extensive series of elaborate **multimedia** operas, is still writing new pieces at 81.
- 3/20/12 **MULTIFACETED** (Adj.) - muhl-tee-fas-i-tid - having many different parts; having many facets
Diamonds are usually cut to be **multifaceted**, that is, with many angled flat surfaces, because this increases their ability to reflect light.
- 3/21/12 **MULTILINGUAL** (Adj.)- muhl-tee-ling-gwuhl- using or knowing more than one language
Do you speak Spanish or French, in addition to English? Then you are **multilingual**, which is an impressive and practical thing to be.
- 3/22/12 **MULTICULTURAL** (Adj.)- muhl-tee-kuhl-cher-uh l- of or relating to or including several cultures
Sometimes called a melting pot or a salad bowl, the United States is **multicultural**.
- 3/23/12 **MULTITUDE** (N.) -muhl-ti-tood- a large number of people or things
A **multitude** of complaints reached the office after the musician made the offensive comment on the radio.

Word Part for the week of March 26, 2012

EN/EM

Derived from Latin

Definition: to cause to be, to put into, to go into or onto

- 3/26/12 **ENACT** (V.)- en-akt - to make into an act or statute; act out; represent or perform as if in a play
You often hear that Congress is going to **enact** a new statute, which means that they will make it into a law.
Mystery Plays were staged and **enacted** by members of the guilds.
- 3/27/12 **ENTRAP** (V.)- en-trap- take or catch as if in a snare or trap;
The Police Officer attempted to **entrap** the thief.

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3/28/12 **ENGROSSING** (Adj.)- en-groh-sing- capable of arousing and holding the attention
I'm reading the most engrossing book.

3/29/12 **EMPOWER** (V.)- em-pou-er- to give power or authority to; authorize, especially by legal or official means
Many actors and actresses empower their agents to make deals for them.

3/30/12 **EMPLOYEE PLANNING**

Word Part for the week of April 2, 2012

ASTRO/ASTER

Derived from Greek

Definition: star, heavens

4/2/12 **ASTEROID** (N.)- as-tuh-roid- any of numerous small celestial bodies composed of rock and metal that move around the sun
The craters on the Moon were formed by asteroids.

4/3/12 **ASTRONOMY** (N.) -uh-stron-uh-mee - the branch of science which deals with celestial objects, space, and the physical universe as a whole
The invention of the telescope sparked Galileo's interest in astronomy.

4/4/12 **ASTRONAVIGATION** (N.) -as-troh-nav-i-gey-shuh n- navigating according to the positions of the stars
Sailors in the 15th and 16th centuries practiced astronavigation, or steering by the stars.

4/5/12 **ASTROLOGY** (N.)- uh-strol-uh-jee - the study of the movements and relative positions of celestial bodies interpreted as having an influence on human affairs and the natural world
In Chinese astrology, tigers are known as bold, independent and good luck against fire and thieves.

4/6/12 **NO SCHOOL**

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Word Part for the week of April 9, 2012

GEO

Derived from Greek

Definition: earth, soil, ground

- 4/9/12 **GEODES** (N.)- jee-ohd - a small cavity in rock lined with crystals or other mineral matter
Most **geodes** contain clear quartz crystals, while others have purple amethyst crystals.
- 4/10/12 **GEOLOGIST** (N)- jee-ol-uh-jist- a person who specializes in geologic research and study
A **geologist** is an expert in the field of geology, the study of what the Earth is made of and how it was formed.
- 4/11/12 **GEOPOLITICAL** ()- jee-oh-puh-lit-i-kuhl- a national policy based on the interrelation of politics and geography
The **geopolitical** map depicts national boundaries and capital cities.
- 4/12/12 **WOD TEST #6**
- 4/13/12 **WOD TEST #6**

Word Part for the week of April 16, 2012

SCOPE

Derived from Greek

Definition: see, watch, an instrument used for viewing or observing

- 4/16/12 **HYDROSCOPE** (N.) hahy-druh-skohp- an optical device for viewing objects below the surface of water
Sailors measure the depth of the sea with a **hydroscope**.
- 4/17/12 **MICROSCOPE** (N.)-mahy-kruh-skohp an optical instrument having a magnifying lens or a combination of lenses for inspecting objects too small to be seen or too small to be seen distinctly and in detail by the unaided eye
In science, **microscopes** are essential for examining material that can't be seen with the naked eye, like bacteria and viruses.

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- 4/18/12 **KALEIDOSCOPE** (N.)-kuh-lahy-duh-skohp- an optical toy in a tube; it produces symmetrical patterns as bits of colored glass are reflected by mirrors
The toy **kaleidoscope** was invented around 1817 by Sir David Brewster.
- 4/19/12 **TELESCOPE** (N.)- tel-uh-skohp- a magnifier of images of distant objects
Astronomers are finding other worlds with the use of the **telescope**.
- 4/20/12 **PERISCOPE** (N.)-per-uh-skohp- an optical instrument that provides a view of an otherwise obstructed field
A **periscope** is a tool you use to see things that would otherwise be hidden or obstructed.

Word Part for the week of April 23, 2012

AQUA

Derived from Latin

Definition: having to do with water

- 4/23/12 **AQUA-LUNG** (N.)- ak-wuh-luhng - a device that lets divers breathe under water
The **Aqua-Lung** was invented in Paris during the 1942-1943 winter by two Frenchmen.
- 4/24/12 **AQUARIUS** (N.)- uh-kwair-ee-uh s- the Water Bearer, a zodiacal constellation between Pisces and Capricornus
Aquarius is one of the oldest of the recognized constellations along the zodiac.
- 4/25/12 **AQUEOUS** (Adj.)- ey-kwee-uh s - of, like, or containing water; watery
Salt water is an example of an **aqueous** solution because salt easily dissolves in water.
- 4/26/12 **AQUARIUM** (N.)- uh-kwair-ee-uh m - a glass-sided tank, bowl, or the like, in which fish or other living aquatic animals or plants are kept
The **aquarium** was kept in the living room.
- 4/27/12 **AQUANAUT** (N.)- ak-wuh-nawt- a person trained to live and work in a watertight underwater chamber in and from which oceanographic experiments can be conducted
An **aquanaut** is a person who voyages or travels on or under the water.

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CRED

Derived from Latin

Definition: to believe

- 4/30/12 **CREDENCE** (N)-kreed-ns- belief as to the truth of something; something giving a claim to belief or confidence
He warned his children not to give **credence** to stories they read in tabloid newspapers.
- 5/1/12 **CREDENTIALS** (N.)- kri-den-shuh l- a document attesting to the truth of certain stated facts
Only those with the proper **credentials** are admitted.
- 5/2/12 **INCREDIBLE** (Adj.)- in-kred-uh-buh l - beyond belief or understanding
She told her teacher the book's plot was simply **incredible**, and requested another ten minutes to read.
- 5/3/12 **DISCREDIT** (V.)- dis-kred-it-to show to be undeserving of trust or belief; destroy confidence in; to give no credence to
If you say that schooling is important to you, but you never study, your actions **discredit** you and your words.
- 5/4/12 **CREDULOUS** (Adj.)- krej-uh-luh s - disposed to believe on little evidence
Calling someone **credulous** can imply that the person is naive and simple.

Word Part for the week of May 7, 2012

CUR (CURR, CURS)

Derived from Latin

Definition: run

- 5/7/12 **CURSIVE**-(Adj)-ker-siv-Running or flowing
When the third-grade students learned **cursive** writing, they were excited to find that they could write entire words without lifting their pencil from the paper.
- 5/8/12 **INCURSION**-(Noun)-in-ker-zhen-Rushing into; hostile invasion; raid
When an army crosses a border into another country for battle, they are making an **incursion** into enemy territory.
- 5/9/12 **RECUR**-(V)-ri-ker-Happen again
Recurring dreams are quite common and are often triggered by a certain life situation, transitional phase in life or a problem that keeps coming back again and again.

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5/10/12 **WOD TEST #7**

5/11/12 **WOD TEST #7**

Word Part for the week of May 14, 2012

PHOTO

Derived from Greek

Definition: light

5/14/12 **PHOTON (N)**- foh-ton- a tiny particle of light or electromagnetic radiation
Photons, which are particles of light, travel from the sun to the earth.

5/15/12 **PHOTOBIOTIC (Adj)**- foh-toh-bahy-ot-ik, -bee - Depending on light for life
and growth.
Most plants are **photobiotic** they require light in order to live.

5/16/12 **PHOTOMETER (N.)**- foh-tom-i-ter- an instrument for measuring the intensity
of light
The physicist used a **photometer** to measure the intensity of the light.

5/17/12 **PHOTOSYNTHESIS (N.)**- foh-tuh-sin-thuh-sis- he process by which a green
plant turns water and carbon dioxide into food when the plant is exposed to light
Plants survive by converting carbons from carbon dioxide into carbohydrates
through sunlight-fueled **photosynthesis**.

5/18/12 **PHOTOPHOBIA (N.)**- foh-tuh-foh-bee-uh- extreme sensitivity to light; pain in
the eye resulting from exposure to bright light
Patients with **photophobia** will avert their eyes from direct light.

Word Part for the week of May 21, 2012

METER

Derived from Greek

Definition: a unit of measurement; a measuring device

5/21/12 **CHRONOMETER (N.)**- kruh-nom-i-tree- the art of measuring time accurately
The purpose of a **chronometer** is to measure accurately the time of a known fixed
location.

5/22/12 **ODOMETER (N.)**- oh-dom-i-ter -an instrument for measuring distance traveled,
as by an automobile

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Odometers were first developed in the 1600s for wagons and other horse-drawn vehicles in order to measure distances traveled.

5/23/12 **TACHOMETER** (N.)- ta-kom-i-ter, tuh- any of various instruments for measuring or indicating velocity or speed, as of a machine, a river, or the blood
Boaters use a **tachometer** to determine how fast the engine propeller is spinning.

5/24/12 **METRONOME** (N.)- me-truh-nohm -a mechanical or electrical instrument that makes repeated clicking sounds at an adjustable pace, used for marking rhythm, especially in practicing music
The **metronome** is used by some musicians for practice in maintaining a consistent tempo with steady regular beats and it can be used by composers, as an approximate way of specifying the tempo.

5/25/12 **HYGROMETER** (N.)- hahy-grom-i-ter - is an instrument used for measuring the moisture content in the environmental air, or humidity
Besides greenhouses and industrial spaces, **hygrometers** are also used in some saunas, and museums.

Word Part for the week of May 28, 2012

PAN

Derived from Greek

Definition: all, whole

5/28/12 **PANTOMIME** (N.) pan-tuh-mahym- the art or technique of conveying emotions, actions, feelings, etc., by gestures without speech
In the game of charades, one player uses **pantomime** to represent a word or phrase that the other players have to try to guess.

5/29/12 **PANACEA** (N.)- pan-uh-see-uh -a remedy for all disease or ills; cure-all
An increase in tuition won't be a **panacea** for the college's financial problems.

5/30/12 **PANORAMA** (N.) pan-uh-ram-uh, -rah-muh- an unobstructed and wide view of an extensive area in all directions
If you pay more for your hotel room in Hawaii and you'll likely get a balcony with a picture perfect **panorama** of the ocean.

5/31/12 **WOD TEST #8**

6/1/12 **WOD TEST #8**

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Word Part for the week of JUNE 4, 2012

SPECT

Derived from Latin

Definition: to watch, look, observe

- 6/4/12 **INTROSPECTION** (N.)- in-truh-spek-shuh n - the contemplation of your own thoughts and desires and conduct
When you examine what you do, say, think or feel and how it affects your life and the lives of others, that's **introspection**.
- 6/5/12 **CIRCUMSPECT**(Adj.) sur-kuh m-spekt - watchful and discreet; cautious;
prudent
The officials were very **circumspect** in their statements.
- 6/6/12 **SPECTROSCOPE** (N.) - spek-truh-skohp - an optical device for producing and observing a spectrum of light or radiation from any source
Spectroscopes are often used in astronomy and some branches of chemistry.
- 6/7/12 **SPECTATOR** (N.) spek-tey-ter, -a person who looks on or watches; onlooker;
observer
Football stadiums and circus tents are full of **spectators**.
- 6/8/12 **EMPLOYEE PLANNING**