Common Root Words
and Their Meanings

Working with classmates, put your brains together to generate examples of words that can be created using the roots provided.

ROOT (G=Greek; L=Latin)	Meaning	Examples
-ast(er)-(G)	star	asteroid,
-audi- (L)	hear	audible,
-auto- (G)	self	automatic,
-bene- (L)	good	benefit,
-bio- (G)	life	biography,
-chrono- (G)	time	chronic,
-dict- (L)	say	dictate,
-duc- (L)	lead, make	produce,

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-gen- (L)	give birth	generate,
-geo- (G)	earth	geography,
-graph- (G)	write	autograph,
-jur-, -jus- (L)	law	jury,
-man(u)- (L)	hand	manual,
-mand-, -mend- (L)	order	demand,
-mis-, -mit- (L)	send	missile,
-omni- (L)	all	omnivorous,

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-path- (G)	feel	empathy,
-phil- (G)	love of	philosophy,
-phon- (G)	sound	phonics,
-photo- (G)	light	photography,
-port- (L)	carry	export,
-scrib-, -script- (L)	write	ascribe,
-sens-, -sent- (L)	feel	resent,
-tele- (G)	far off	telecast,

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-terr- (L)	earth	terrain,
-vac- (L)	empty	evacuate,
-vid-, -vis- (L)	see	visible,