

Prefixes	Meaning	Words You Already Know
cata	down, away from	catapult
de	down, away from	decline, decrease
tele	far, distance	telephone



New Words

Definitions

catacomb (n) - underground cave or tomb

catalyst (n) - a substance that speeds up or causes a reaction; something that causes activity between two or more people

catastrophe (n) - tragic event; sudden disaster or misfortune

debark (v) - to exit a ship; to go on land

default (v) - failure to do something, be somewhere, or pay money that is due

degrade (v) - to lower in status; to show contempt or dishonor

depose (v) - to remove from office

telemarket (v) to sell products or services over the telephone

telepathy - (n) - communication by means other than normal sensory communication

telephoto - (adj) - a camera lens that makes distant objects appear closer

Sentences

In the catacomb the archeologists found mummies that were thousands of years old.

Once the chemist put the catalyst in the mixture, it quickly turned into a solid mass.

The traffic accident was a catastrophe that affected several families.

We were scheduled to debark the cruise ship in Stockholm at 4 o'clock.

Because they defaulted on their house loan, they found it difficult to get any other loans.

Mary's comments were critical of the committee's chairwoman and degraded her status among other members.

After the revolution the king was deposed and replaced by the leader of the military.

One way to sell our product is to target people who would buy it and telemarket directly to them.

The psychic said she could communicate with people via telepathy.

The camera's telephoto lense allowed me to take a picture of a bear from a safe distance.



Down and Away

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_____ Name

Use a vocabulary word to correctly complete each sentence.

1. The ability to communicate without words is _____.
2. To fail to repay a loan is to _____ on the loan.
3. An underground tomb is a _____.
4. To dethrone a king is the same as to _____ him.
5. You _____ the meaning of our nation's flag when you use it for a curtain.
6. To sell things by telephone is to _____.
7. You could call it a tragedy or a _____.
8. Her input acted as a _____ for the conversation.
9. You exit a room and you _____ a ship.
10. For long-distance shots, use a _____ lens.

Add a prefix (cata, de, tele) to the last part of the words and then match the complete word with its meaning.

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| 11. _____ strophe | a. dishonor |
| 12. _____ grade | b. extrasensory perception |
| 13. _____ pult | c. go down in value |
| 14. _____ pathy | d. send pictures over a distance |
| 15. _____ preciate | e. a calamity |
| 16. _____ vise | f. launch or hurl |

