



## Stems List 8!

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All classes test on all twenty-five at one time. The first stems test of 2010 will be **Friday, February 5<sup>th</sup>.**

**sed-**

- **sedentary**
- **sediment**
- **sedate**
- **sedan**

**sit**      **!!!!!!!**



**Which way is the  
sediment flowing?**

- legible
- illegible
- legitimate
- alleged
- legend

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## Why is this eye test illegitimate?



# anim-

- **animate(d)**
- **animator**
- **animation**
- **animal**

**mind !!!!!!!**



**Computer animation**



**tort-**

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- **contort**
- **contortionist**
- **torture**
- **distort**
- **tortilla**

**twist !!!!!!!**







**nym-**

- **pseudonym**
- **acronym**
- **anonymous**
- **homonym**

**name !!!!!!!**



**PSEUDONYM**

When you are embarrassed about your next novel,  
or your publisher is embarrassed about your last one.

photo: Scott Liddell

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**sanct-**

- **sanctuary**
- **sanctity**
- **sanctioned**
- **sanctified**

**holy !!!!!!!**



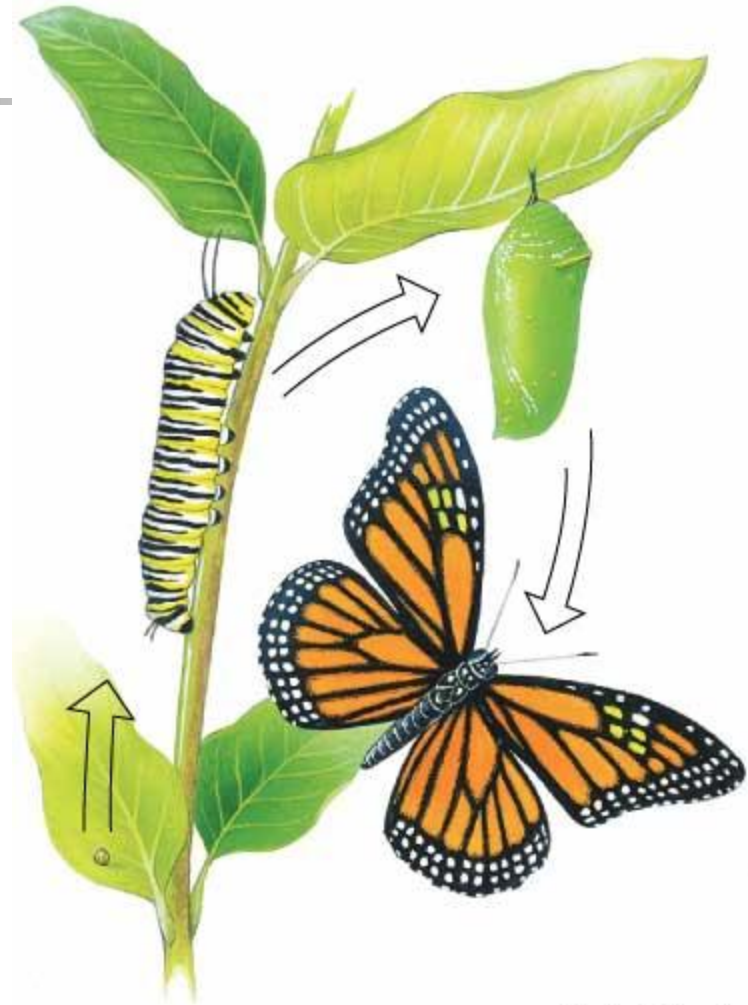


# meta-

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- **metamorphosis**
- **metastasize**
- **metaphor**
- **metabolism**
- **metaphysics**

**change !!!!!!!**



Elizabeth Morales





**petr-**

- **petrify (-ied)**
- **petroleum**
- **petrology**
- **petrochemical**
- **Petra**

**rock !!!!!**



The petrochemical industry includes those manufacturing facilities that create substances from raw hydrocarbon materials such as crude oil and natural gas.

**mir-**

- **mirror**
- **miracle**
- **miraculous**
- **admire**
- **mirage**

**wonder !!!!!!!**





**man-**

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- **manual**
- **manipulate**
- **manicure**
- **mano (Spanish)**

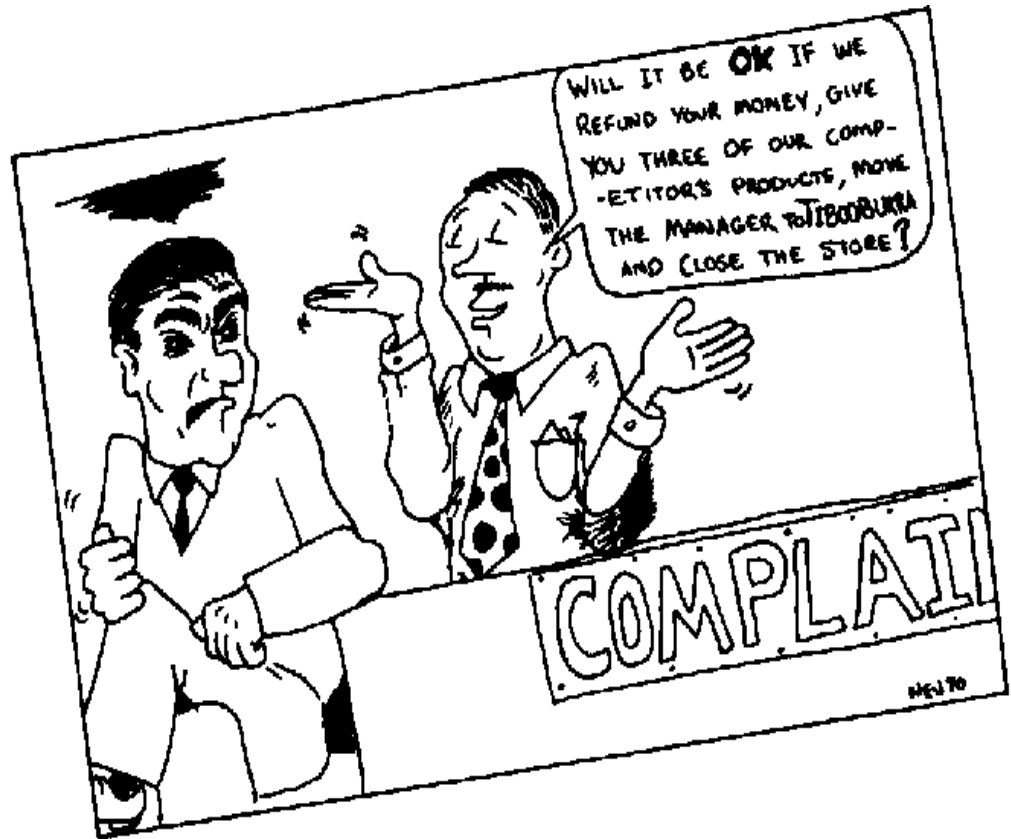
**hand !!!!!!!**



**rect-**

- **correct(-tion)**
- **rectify**
- **rectangle**
- **direct**
- **misdirection**

**right !!!!!!!**





# volv-

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- Volvo
- revolve
- revolver
- involved
- revolution
- convoluted
- revolution
- convoluted
- evolution
- roll !!!!!!!



revolving  
door





# demi-

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- demitasse
  - demigod
  - diminutive
- half !!!!!!!**



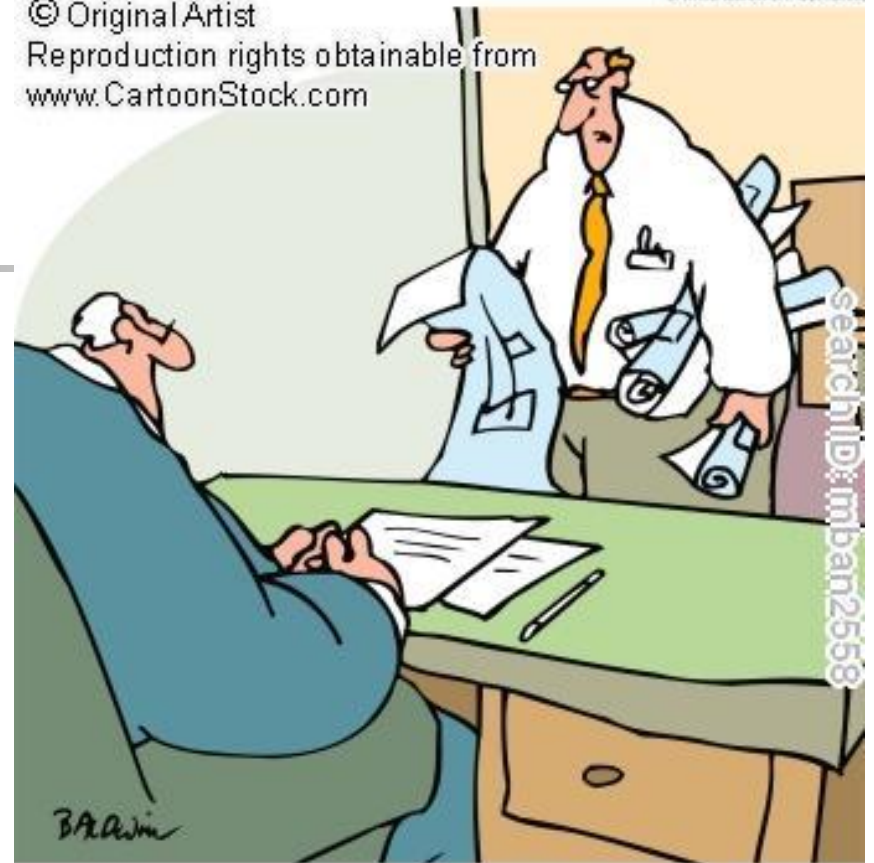
A Buddhist demigod

**retro-**

- **retroactive**
- **retrofire**
- **retract**
- **retraction**

**backward !!!!!!!**

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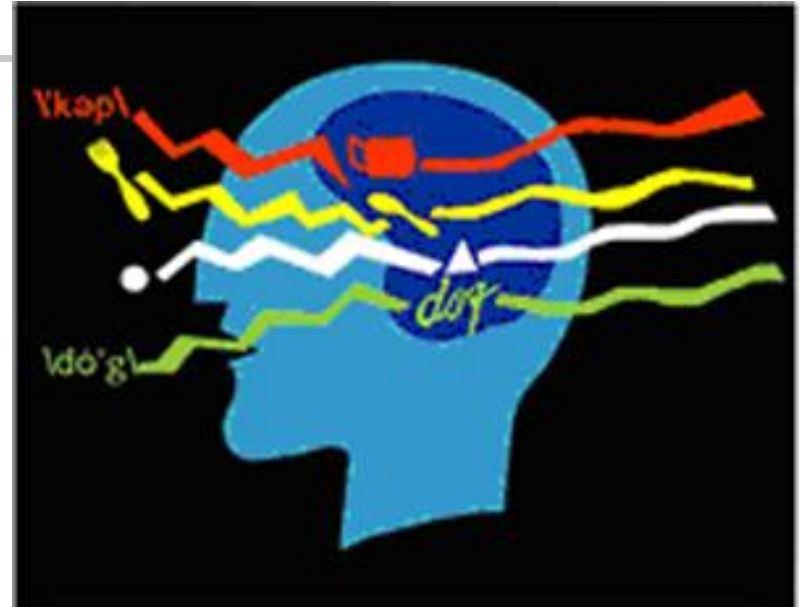


"The project is a little behind schedule.  
It was proactive, now it's retroactive."

**sens-**

- **sensory language**
- **senses**
- **sensation**
- **sensational**
- **sensitive**

**feel !!!!!!!**



**fy-**

- **rectify**
- **pacify**
- **Abilify**
- **horrify**
- **terrify**
- **fortify**

**make !!!!!!!**



**What part of the body  
does milk fortify?**



**occul-**

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- **occult**
- **monocular**
- **binocular**

**eye !!!!!!!**

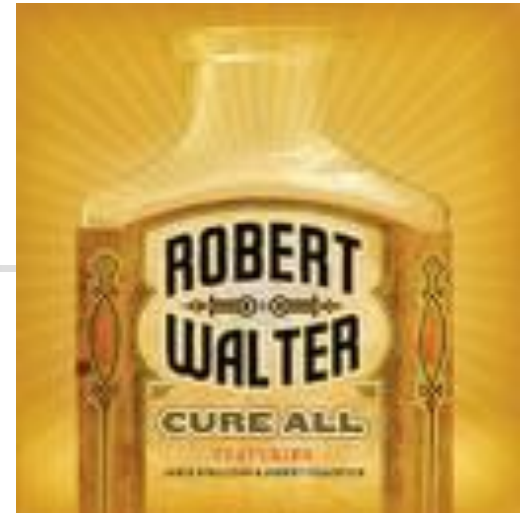




**cur-**

- **cure**
- **curator**
- **cure-all**
- **secure**

**care for !!!!!!!**





# ultra-

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- **ultramodern**
- **ultraconservative**
- **ultraliberal**
- **ultraviolet**

**beyond !!!!!!!**



Before women received the right to vote, ultraconservatives attempted to block this change to America. In 1920, the 19<sup>th</sup> amendment finally was added to the Bill of Rights.

 **oid-**

- **android**
- **asteroid**
- **droid**



**appearance !!!!!!!**



**gest-**

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- **gesture**
- **gestation**
- **digest**
- **congestion**

**carry !!!!!!!**



**A visual drawing of twins  
during the gestation  
period.**

apt-

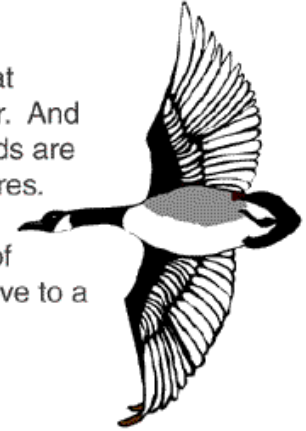
- aptitude
- adapt
- adaptation
- maladapted

fit !!!!!!!!!

## Bird Adaptations

The ability to fly allows birds to cover great distances in the search for food and water. And because flight generates a lot of heat, birds are naturally adapted to high body temperatures.

Flight also enables a bird to leave areas of extreme hot or cold temperatures and move to a more temperate climate.



Feathers also play a part in insulating birds from the heat of the sun.



Some birds dissipate heat absorbed from their surroundings. Owls and nighthawks gape open-mouthed while rapidly fluttering their throat region to evaporate water from their mouth cavities.



Many birds are active primarily at dawn and within a few hours of sunset, retiring to a cool, shady spot for the remainder of the day.





# tact-

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- tactile
- contact
- intact
- tactful

**touch !!!!!!!**



Braille is a system of writing and reading for people with visual handicaps. It was invented in 1821 by a blind Frenchman, Louis Braille.

**VOC-**

- **vocal**
- **vociferous**
- **vocabulary**
- **vocation**

**voice !!!!!!!**



**rid-**

- riddle
- ridicule
- ridiculous
- deride

**laugh !!!!!!!**



**What is ridiculous about the novel product shown in this ad?**