Words & Definitions

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Root

<u>construction</u> – n. the act or process of building something such as a house or a road; the way something is built or made. The foreman oversees the construction of each building.

<u>destructive</u> – adj. causing a large amount of damage; causing destruction or harm. Hurricane Katrina was the most destructive hurricane in recent memory.

<u>instruct</u> – v. to teach someone a subject or skill; to give someone an order or command. The teacher instructs us to form a single-file line.

<u>reconstruct</u> – v. to rebuild something damaged or destroyed; to find out and describe or show the way an event or series of events happened. Engineers plan to reconstruct the bridge that collapsed in the earthquake.

<u>structure</u> – n. the way something is built, arranged, or organized; something that is built by putting parts together and likely stands on its own. *Most stories follow a similar plot structure*.

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Prefix

<u>enforce</u> – v. to make a law or rule active or effective; to make sure that people do what is required by rule or law. The substitute teacher was unable to properly enforce the classroom rules.

<u>enlighten</u> – v. to give knowledge or understanding to someone; to explain something to someone. *Mrs. Jacobsen will have to enlighten you when you return.*

<u>entitle</u> – v. to give a right to someone. A coupon will entitle you to receive a discount.

<u>encourage</u> – v. to make someone more determined, hopeful, or confident; to make something more appealing or more likely to happen. The students encourage each other with compliments.

<u>encounter</u> – v. to have or experience problems or difficulties; to meet someone (or something) without expecting or intending to. We encountered a bear while camping in the national forest.