

ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION

Layers of Language:
The Latin Layer of Language –
Letter-sound Correspondences & Syllable Patterns

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Activity 1

Individual Activity 1:

Mark the schwa or schwas in each word with its diacritical symbol (ə). Schwas may occur in any part of the word (i.e., prefix, root, or suffix).

machine	predicate	committee	soda
alike	magazine	competition	brilliant
selective	excellent	direction	accidental

Individual Activity 2:

Divide the following Latin-based words into syllables. Remember that sometimes the entire root doesn't stay in one syllable.

interruption	attractive	presumption
performance	generate	multisensory
genuflect	distracted	advisory
reflective	corruptible	adventurous